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Manresa welcomes new students

BY TARA DIXON

Senior News Writer

Every August, Xavier welcomes incoming freshman by carrying their luggage, playing games and reading minds as an introduction to the campus community.

"Manresa is a four day orientation program where students meet with small groups of 15 to 20 students, facilitated by upperclass students," said core Manresa leader senior Blair Suttles.

"Manresa is designed to orient freshmen to Xavier life and welcome them to the community in a friendly atmosphere," said Manresa Core leader junior Elizabeth Coyle. "We introduce them to every aspect of student life, including social, academic, community service, and spiritual."

The 120 member Manresa staff consists of upperclassmen who help freshmen find their place on campus.

"The group is diverse enough that it covers every club or organization on campus," said Manresa Core leader senior Dave Tobias

"We want to make them comfortable being at college," said Manresa Core leader senior Jen Moning.

Planning the weekend's events was the job of the Manresa Core group.

The Manresa Core is made up of six internship positions held by Suttles, Coyle, Tobias, Moning, senior Kyle DellaRocca and junior Crystal Fry.

These six students had to be a part of Manresa as a group leader or staff member in the past to become a Core member.

Potential Core members applied for their positions in the fall and began work after their selection in January.

In January, they developed a theme for the program.

"This year's theme is 'XU 'R US: Discover the Fun.' Each activity revolves around that theme," said Suttles.

In February the orientation team, consisting of 96 group leaders and 24 staff members, was chosen.

Spring training for the orientation team was held in March and April, where the theme was introduced.

"It gave the group a chance to

get to know each other, and if they didn't have a partner yet they met others who needed a partner too," DellaRocca said.

The core group worked about 20 hours a week until the end of July when the workload increased to 40 hours.

The culmination of all this work began on Tuesday, August 17, when group leaders and staff began three days of training. The program begins on Friday when freshmen arrive for move-in.

"When the move crew is screaming and yelling and attacking their cars to get them moved in, it's their first welcome to the community. At Xavier, we're like a family, and we're welcoming them to the family," said Suttles

Friday also brings Playfair, where students do icebreaker activities and get to know each other

Along with small group activi-

I think people really enjoy Sunday at Milford. It's a chance to get off campus and spend more time with other people.

> — Junior Elizabeth Coyle Manresa Core Leader

ties and more icebreaker games, Saturday will feature a mentalist who performs tricks and "reads" minds.

Sunday is St. Francis Xavier Day, which takes students to the Milford Spiritual Center where many campus retreats are held.

"It's a very special day to focus on community service and the Jesuit mission," Coyle said. "I think people really enjoy Sunday at Milford. It's a chance to get off campus and spend more time with other people."

Each freshman will carry memories of Manresa with them for the rest of their collegiate careers.

"When I was a freshman, the Sunday at Milford was my favorite activity," Coyle said. "It made me want to choose the position I'm in right now. Since I'm the spiritual



Manresa group leaders from last year pose for a picture with the signs they made for their small groups. Manresa is a tradition at Xavier that every incoming freshman takes part in the fall.

activities coordinator that's my day to plan."

Students' experiences this year may even inspire them to become leaders in the future.

"My group leaders were really awesome. I was shy and quiet, but they made it a point to make one on one contact. They'd say, 'Hi,' and talk to me, even later in the year and the next year too. It got me interested in being a part of this program," Suttles said.

"Having the opportunity my sophomore year to lead a group of new students was really cool," Tobias said. "It gave me the opportunity to impact people coming in.

"I was doing something good for the university and helping people out. I felt like I was doing something positive with my time." Tobias said.

The leaders feel like Manresa impacts students, and leaves a lasting impresssion.

"People remember the enthusiasm and love that all the people involved with this program share for the school. It's something people wish, that they could wake up every day and be like, 'I'm glad to be here at Xavier.' They remember that love and enthusiasm," Tobias said.

"You remember your Manresa group, even senior year," Moning said. "You're attached to these people for the next four years whether you want to be or not."

Ten tips to enoy and thrive in Xavier Community.

- 1. Get involved. There is no better way to meet likeminded poeple. Check out Club Day on the mall September 13, and find a club or sport that interests you.
- 2. Keep your door open. If you are living in the dorms, you will meet twice as many peole than you ever would with your door shut.
- 3. Get to know your Resident Assistant (R.A.s). Remember, they are there for you, as both and mentors and friends. Don't hesitate to go to them at any time.
- 4. Manage your time well. Set deadlines and create schedules, and stick by them.
- 5. Go to class! It seems like a no-brainer, but this really is the first step to academic success.
- 6. Communicate with your professors. E-mail them, visit during their office hours and ask questions after class. They want to get to know you.
- 7. Take advantage of on-campus resources like the Learning Assistance Center and the Writing Center. These places can make all the difference.
- 8. Always ask for help. If you are having a difficult time in any aspect of college life, there are people who care. Talk to your roommate, your R.A., your parents, and your friends. You are never alone in your struggles.
- 9. Remember to have fun. This might be your last opportunity to be a kid.
- 10. Be yourself. Let the true you shine, and you will help make Xavier a better place.

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Health Insurance Waiver Cards

Do not forget to get your health insurance waiver cards to the Health and Counseling Center. Beginning last year, Xavier started a new waiver policy. The Health and Counseling Center is charging every full-time undergraduate student for the school's insurance until they send in proof that they have other coverage.

The deadline to get your waiver cards in is September 3 and after that the \$868 charge will be on your account permanently.

Fireworks

The annual Labor Day fireworks display downtown on the waterfront takes place Sunday, Sept. 5. Shuttles will be running from Buenger Circle between 5 and 8 p.m. to bring students downtown and back.



Campus News is here for you

JOHN THOMAS

Campus News Editor

The editors of Campus News would like to take this time to inform the incoming freshman about the Campus News section.

Throughout the year we will be very busy finding informative campus-related articles. The number of articles will range from issue-to-issue, but will usually consist of 2-4 articles.

In addition to the articles, there will also be other information on the page, informing students and staff of events occuring on and around campus.

For example, on the bottom of the first page, you will find the police notes for the week.

The police notes are taken on a weekly basis directly from the Campus Police headquarters.

The Editors of Campus News hope that they can provide a quality page for you every week. If there is something that you either approve or disapprove of, feel free to write us a letter (which may be published in the Opinion-Editorial section if you e-mail the section editor at newswire-oped@xu.edu), give us a call at x3122, or e-mail us at newswire-news@xu.edu.

Newswire Staff Profile

Lisa Degenhart, Managing Editor Birthday: September 13, 1983 Favorite Movie: "As Good As It Gets"

Favorite Sports Team: the Cincinnati Bengals

Favorite Band: Aerosmith

Favorite Book: The Little Prince

by Antoine de Saint Exupery

Worst Fear: John Kerry being elected

President

Newswire Staff Profile

Dave Gilmore, Sports Editor Birthday: July 15, 1983

Favorite Movie: "Lost in

Translation"

Favorite Sports Team: the Baltimore

Ravens

Favorite Band: The Getup Kids

Favorite Book: This Side of

Paradise by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Worst Fear: Dying alone in a dark

pit of melancholy

Interested in journalism or writing in general? Need milk money for the week? Sign up to become a Newswire contributing writer for Campus News at our booth during Club Day on the mall! Campus News will provide additional details in issues to come.

Since the school year has not started, the Editors of Campus News would like to show you a sample of Police notes that you can read every week in their section

Police Notes

April 20, 3:41 a.m. — Upon returning to their apartment in the Village, two female students reported that both faucets in the bathroom and kitchen were turned on causing damage to their carpet and personal belongings.

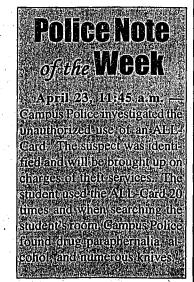
April 20, 11:30 a.m. — A resident student reported the theft of his car stereo from his vehicle parked in the South lot.

April 21, 6:50 p.m. — Campus Police and Cincinnati Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in the Commons. Investigation revealed that a smoke detector was activated by students cooking on the third floor.

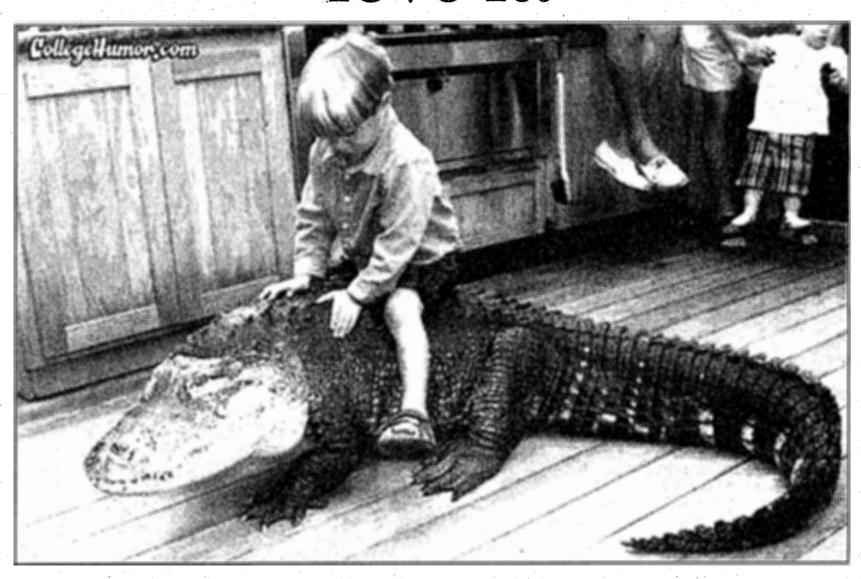
April 23, 7:30 p.m. — A student in Buenger Hall was cited for disorderly conduct when he was observed attempting to steal a railroad crossing light on Cleaney Avenue.

April 24, 5:40 p.m. — A resident student reported the theft of his cell phone during a basketball game at the block party on Herald Ave.

April 26, 11:40 a.m. — An employee in the music department reported the theft of an Apple computer from the second floor of Edgecliff Hall.



A wise man once said that working at the *Newswire* is a lot like riding an alligator. It seems crazy at first, but after a while, you'll learn to love it.



Look for our table on the residential mall on Club Day.

NEWSWIRE

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STAFF EDITORIAL -

Welcome back!

In the now famous words of Mason Betha – Welcome back! Yes, we know all you incoming freshmen (and freshwomen) have never actually attended Xavier before, but we feel like we already know you. It's like going to a family reunion and meeting family members you never knew you had, but feeling like you knew them all your lives.

Yes, that is how we feel about you because you are now a part of the wonderful Xavier family.

We, the Newswire staff, are re-

"You can't forget that it is Jesus Christ who is holding your hair back when you're vomiting in your best friend's bathtub."

ally excited about being the first students, besides your Manresa leaders, to formally welcome you to the best four years of your life. That's right! Those sucky years of being a snotty-nosed high school student are behind you and the wonderful years of life at Xavier University are in front of you.

If you dreamed of college as being some kind of wonderland filled with hot members of the opposite sex, house parties, underage drinking, new friends, and memorable but illegal moments with them, you were exactly correct.

However, you missed one very important part. Since we at Xavier University pride ourselves on being a Jesuit Catholic Institution grounded in the Catholic tradition, you can't forget that it is Jesus Christ who is holding your hair back when you're vomiting in your best

friend's bathtub. Don't forget those funny pictures with a bible in one hand a bottle of Bacardi Razz in the other. And you must remember those wild nights with Mary Magdelene and her friends tearing it up on the dance floor.

Yes, these are the fun nights you have to look forward to here at Xavier. Other than the restricted form of fun we have here at school, more things are beginning to look down in your life.

We know this may be a bit of a surprise for you, but, now that you are in a university environment, you have officially regressed. When you think about it, college is a really ironic situation. You spend all of your high school years trying to get out and graduate, and after

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finally climbing up the social ladder to get out of high school, you enter college only to become a freshman once again — clueless, confused and officially at the bottom of the socially significant totem pole.

I hope by now you have realized what life at Xavier is like for the most part. We're very Catholic, sometimes boring, ridiculously funny and always sarcastic. This is the school you have chosen - Xavier University. Have fun!

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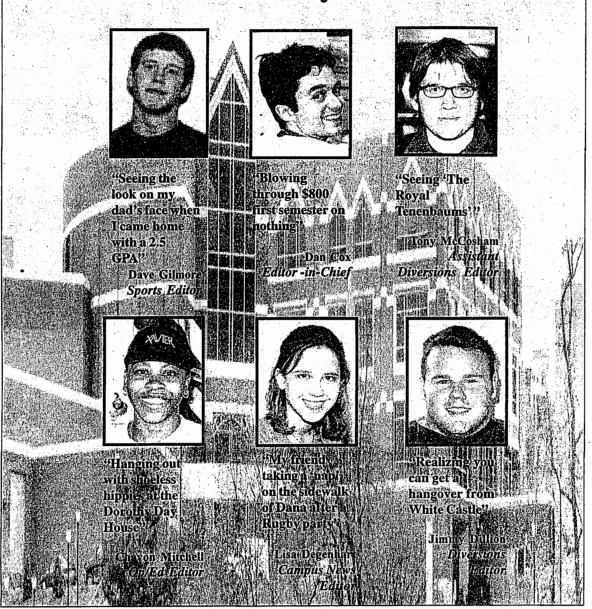
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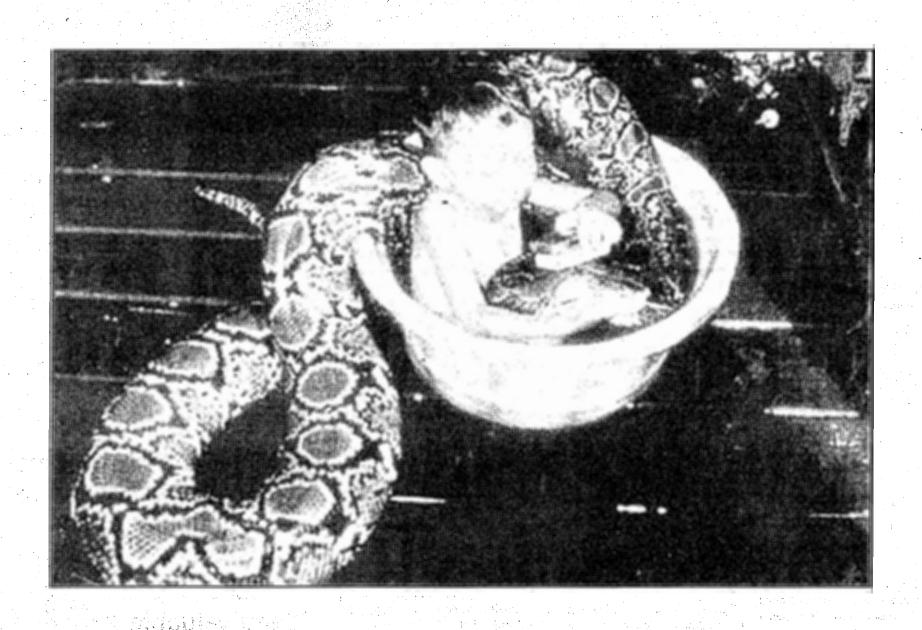


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Send in your letters today and make Jesus happy.

What people don't realize is that this is a good example of the relationship Xavier has with the *Newswire*.



We're like the brush, the bowl is the campus, the snake is the administration and the naked kid is just a naked kid.

BRIEFS

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Muskies to open season in Bahamas

Xavier University head basketball coach Sean Miller announced today that the Musketeers will open his first season at the helm with three exhibition games in the Bahamas.

Xavier will travel to the Bahamas October 6-10, playing three games against all-star teams from the Bahamas. The teams will include players from the national team and other pro players from teams in the Bahamas.

Xavier alum Parker competes in Athens

Jason Parker, an All-American shooter in each of his four seasons at Xavier University, placed eighth in Men's 10m Air Rifle at the XXVIII Olympiad in Athens, Greece.

Parker was the top American finisher in the event and was the only American to qualify for the final round. Teammate Matthew Emmons finished ninth.

Qinan Zhu of China took home the gold medal with a world record score of 702.7. Parker finished with a final score of 694.5.

Parker also represented his country in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney. The 1996 graduate of Xavier University fired the third highest qualifying score before placing fifth after the final round; only .7 points short of a bronze medal.

Frosh Chuck named to preseason All-Conference Rookie Team

Jillian Chuck, an incoming freshman, was named to the Atlantic 10 Preseason Women's Soccer All-Rookie Team in a vote among the league's head coaches.

Chuck will join the Musketeers after a standout prep career at Carmel High School (Ind.) where she led her team to three straight state titles.

She was also captain of her club team, Dynamo Katner '86, and led them to a regional final appearance and a ranking of ninth in the nation

In addition to Chuck, Dr. Ron Quinn will welcome seven other newcomers to the women's soccer team, including six freshmen and one transfer.

The Musketeers will open the season at Loyola University (III.) on Friday, August 27 and then make their home debut on Sunday, August 29 as they host the Bulldogs of Butler University.

Manresa Issue Special: 'How to survive your first semester'

BY DAVE GILMORE

Sports Editor

This can't be happening, can it? Was it not yesterday I was at UD Arena watching the Muskies cut down the nets for another Atlantic 10 Championship? It had to be yesterday when Thad Matta was the Muskies' coach? I could have sworn it was yesterday when I took my last final and bolted for the east coast.

I'm sure many of you incoming freshmen feel like it was just yesterday when college was a mere afterthought compared to pep rallies, Honda Civics, The Baha Men, or whatever it is the kids are into these days. The point is that August is here whether you like it or not.

The thing about August is that it always comes when you're not ready. So, here's a few pointers to keep you on your toes and help you survive your first semester.

For starters, I would take out all the money in your checking and savings accounts, put it on your bed, throw it up in the air a few times and then light it on fire because that stuff is as good as gone.

Secondly, you're gonna want to head over to the cafeteria, eat roughly 15 pounds of food, then call it a semester.

Oh, I almost forgot the big one! When you're all poor and sluggish, shoot over to the Cintas Center, pick a good seat, then sit there and try to express every emotion possible.

I'm talking the whole bag: excitement, anxiety, despair, heck even throw in a couple hours of borderline clinical depression.

Do this for five months and you're all set.

Here's another important one: Go out to your car, put it up on cinder blocks and sit in it. Now step on the gas and don't let up until you've tallied a couple thousand miles.

Chicago, Louisville, Dayton, Oxford, Athens, Columbus, Nashville, Cleveland, Windsor, Indy, Atlanta (cringe); pick your poison. If you really want to be ahead of the game, throw stuff everywhere while you're doing this.

The floors, windows, upholstery; it's all fair game. Oh, and if you're, particularly unlucky, you might as well smash out your car window and rip your stereo out, too.

What does any of this have to do with sports, you ask?

Come on Meat, pay attention!
Over the course of the semester most of you guys and many of you ladies will perpetrate most of these collegiate acts in the name of sport and leisure.

You WILL forego class to go to a road basketball game.

You WILL play an entire season of Madden with your suitemates.

You WILL drop more money at BW3's on Sundays in the fall than you will on books for the semester.

Heck, chances are, you may even form an intramural team with the people on your floor and get absolutely demolished.

Still with me here, Meat? Good. Now you can go out on day one and throw away all your money, stuff yourself rotund, fry your nerves over college basketball and burn out your car, but the fun is in the journey, not the finish line!

Don't they put this stuff on the entrance exam anymore?

Bottom line Rook: You're in for a ride. Hopefully we'll be able to provide you with some insight on the frenetic year in sports that is upon us, but I'm not making any promises.

Oh, and if anyone wants a job writing or taking photos, please come see me. We're over here in the Publications House on Ledgewood.

You'll know the Sports Desk because it will be the one with all the talent sitting at it; you can't miss it.

And by talent I mean determination and journalistic integrity.

Actually we don't have any of those things, but we do have a lot of old pictures of Kevin Frev.

Lionel Chalmers - G

Diafited in second round (3.5rd Overall) in 2004
NIBA Draft by the Los Angeles Clippers

David Young - G/F (Class of 2003)
-Played final year at North Carolina Central
-Drafted in second round (41st Overall) in 2004
NIBA Draft by the Seattle Supersonics

Romain Sato - G
-Deafted in second round (52rd Overall) in 2004
NIBA Draft by the San Antonio Spürs

Anthony Myles - F/C
-Played for the New York Knicks Summer League
Learn
-Scored in all six California Summer Pro League
games with a high of 9 pts.

We're looking for beat writers and photographers for this year. Stop by the *Newswire* table at Club Day on

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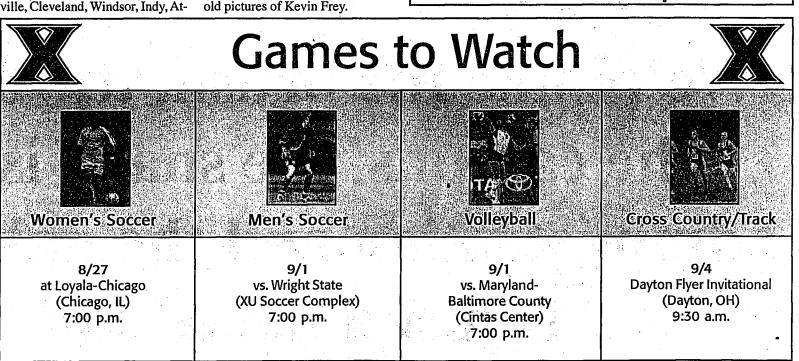
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Dawn Rogers named new AD...Sean Miller replaces departed Matta...XU to add men's and women's track...John Morrey resigns as baseball coach, Miami(OH) asst. Dan Siamonds hired

BRIEFS

Jimmy Dillon, Editor Diversions Desk: 745-2878

As the thrilling introduction to the Diversions section suggests, this is normally the place where you'll find briefs on upcoming events around Cincinnati. But we're lazy.

So, in place of briefs, we've decided to supply you with a list of movie theaters, concert venues, record stores and video stores around the area.

Movie Theaters

Showcase Cincinnati 1701 Showcase Dr Cincinnati, OH 45237 (513) 699-1500 www.nationalamusements.com

AMC Theatres Newport On The Levee 20 One Levee Way Newport, KY 41701 (859) 269-6742

www.amctheatres.com

The Esquire 320 Ludlow Ave Cincinnati, OH 45202 (513) 281-2750

www.esquiretheatre.com

The Mariemont 6906 Wooster Pike Mariemont, OH 45227 (513) 272-0222 www.mariemonttheatre.com

Concert Venues

Bogart's 2621 Vine St Cincinnati, OH 45219 (513) 281-8400 www.bogarts.com

Southgate House 24 East 3rd St Newport, KY 41071 (859) 431-2201 www.southgatehouse.com

Record Shops

Everybody's Records 6106 Montgomery Rd Cincinnati, OH 45213 (513) 531-4500 www.everybodyrecords.com Mon. - Sat. 11am-9pm Sun. 12-6

Shake It Records 4156 Hamilton Rd Cincinnati, OH 45223 (513) 591-0123 www.shakeitrecords.com Mon. - Sat. 11am-9pm Sun. 12-6

Video Stores

(513) 631-3000

Blockbuster Video 3651 Michigan Ave (513) 321-6273

Welcome to the Newswire's **Diversions section**

LONG-WINDED EXPLANATION OF THE DIVERSIONS SECTION

BY JIMMY DILLON

Diversions Editor

The Diversions section of the Newswire would like to greet all the new students of Xavier. Since there isn't much room in this paper for anything other than ads, we'll have to skip the greeting this week and simply pummel you with dumbeddown lists and self-gratifying advertisements.

Basically, Diversions is the movies and music section of the Newswire. Every week we'll offer new CD reviews as well as write-ups on recently premiering movies. In

addition, there is a weekly "battle" section in which two writers will argue about an already released movie or movies.

For example, in this week's issue, Sports Editor Dave and Assistant Diversions Editor Tony argue which summer "Frat Pack" movie was better, "Dodgeball" or "Anchorman."

But wait, there's more! Take a look at the left portion of this page for briefs on upcoming events in the Cincinnati area. (Please excuse the exclusion of briefs this week. We're lazy). At the bottom of the page,

there will be listings for CDs being released this week.

Next to the 'New Releases' section is 'Live Wire,' a portion of the page devoted to listing some upcoming musical acts in the Cincinnati area.

If you're interested in writing for this section please sign up during Club Day at the Newswire table. To send hate mail, please drop it off at the Publications

Be sure to grab a Newswire next week for a full edition of Diver-

Want to movies for free? Want to get CDs for free, too? Want to get paid for it?

Want to experience incontinence/ uncontrollable flatulence lowed by several days of isolation, depression and hallucinations?

Then work for Diversions! Sign up at Club Day on the Mall Sept. 13.

Diversions' Top Ten Movies of the Summer:

- 1. Napoleon Dynamite
- 2. The Bourne Supremacy
- 3. Super Size Me
- 4. Anchorman
- 5. Spider-Man 2

- 6. Coffee and Cigarettes
- 7. Shrek 2
- 8. Collateral
- 9. Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban
- 10. Fahrenheit 9/11

Battle of the 'Frat Pack' summer flicks

SPORTS EDITOR DAVE AND ASST. DIVERSIONS EDITOR TONY LONG FOR MOLLY RINGWALD

Dave SAYS:

"Anchorman" was at least in my top eight or nine favorite movies of the summer. Of course, the only other film I had to compare it to was the other "Frat Pack" fiasco, "Dodgeball."

While "Dodgeball" gave our miniscule attention spans a nostalgic look at a childhood game, "Anchorman" provided a much more important service to this great nation: the revival of the comedic moustache.

Not since the Beastie Boys' video for "Sabatoge" has such fine comedic moustachery been displayed. Will Ferrell and Paul Rudd sport full, well-groomed push brooms to go along with the film's off-the-wall look at the stardom of local news personalities in the 1970s.

These two films have so many of the same people in them that they sort of run together, but pound-for-



Ben Stiller, his crotch, and Vince Vaughn go head to head to head in "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story."

pound, "Anchorman" wins me over because of how good the cast is all the way down the line.

With Ferrell, Rudd, Christina Applegate, Steve Carell, David Koechner, Chris Parnell, Fred Willard - "Anchorman" was a comedic all-you-can-eat buffet.

I ate a big red candle.

Tony SAYS:

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As often happens with Ben Stiller movies, I found my level of enjoyment of "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" to be directly proportional to the amount of time devoted to Mr. Stiller's genitals.

Fortunately, Stiller's fourth movie this year not only showcased his hillarious package in tight gym shorts and black Cobra tights, it also allowed for his crotch to steal at least two scenes.

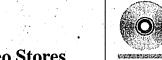
Perhaps more notable is Stiller's use (as White Goodman) of an inflatable codpiece in order to woo the film's heroine, Kate Veatch (Stiller's wife, Christine Taylor).

With Stiller's silver spandex shrouded bulge rising like baking bread, the eyes of the audience can't help but be drawn to Stiller's manhood.

But not to be excluded is the romantic rendezvous between Stiller's crotch and a slice of pizza as he his laptop.

While this gag could be seen as an "American Pie" ripoff, the inclusion of Stiller's mutterings as he uses the slice of pizza for his own ends sets the segment apart.

Thank God for Stiller's wonderfully comedic crotch.



Hollywood Video 4590 Montgomery Rd Norwood, OH 45212

Cincinnati, OH 45208

New Releases

The following discs are due for release on or before Aug. 17 ...

Aalancho Electro (Green Galactic) ... Chimaira The Dehumanizing Process (Roadrunner) ... The Ditty Bops The Ditty Bops (Warner Bros.) ... India. Arie Remix (Motown) ... Bull Moose Jackson I Love You, Yes I Do (Collectables) ... RuPaul Red Hot (RUCO) ... Saliva Survival of the Sickest (Island) ... Sasquatch Sasquatch (Small Stone)

... all dates are tentative.

Thursday, Aug. 19 Lynyrd Skynyrd @ Riverbend Music Center

Saturday, Aug. 21 **Last Days** @ Bogart's

Friday, Aug. 20 Bleeding Through @ Bogart's

Monday, Aug. 23 **Patient Zero** @ Southgate House

August 18



'Ear me now! Dr. Josh commin' at cha like a 757. If ya don't know ma style, tune in, sit down and open ya ears. Lawd have mercy.

WELCOME TO XAVIER FRESHMAN! I assume that your coming week in this little slice of heaven will be going well. I can only assume that it will be chock full of "Man Freakin' Resa," etc. Let me be the first to tell you that. if the rest of Xavier hears you say "Man Freakin' Resa" during the coming year, you will be quickly surprised at our lack of enthusiasm. Anyway, this part of the paper is where the illest of the ill show up to get their weekly dose of amazing from Ryan "Knuckle with Mayo" Sandwich Williamson, and myself, Josh "Dr. Josh" Kataoka. We'll try to throw in some relevant activities for the coming week, but for the most part the Dastardly Duo will be bringing some humor fresh for you.

Take today for example. Nothing is really going on, so I'm going to tell you to go buy your books, follow up with that fox you were chatting with in line, and make sure that you keep your ears and eyes open for certain "offcampus" events occuring through-

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they're secret. Shhhhh.

Seriously though, I'd love to lay down some rules for you newbies. One, it's Freshman year, take it seriously, but remember, you can take as long as you want in college. I have friends here that have their kids in some of their classes. Now, I'm not telling you to slack off and turn into some "straight D" roller, but don't stress out either. Take 'er easy.

Rule Two, Hinkle Hall is way haunted and insane. If I were to draw a picture of Hinkle Hall it would be so frightening that you would just start crying. People are going to like tell you, "Oh, you have to go to Hinkle to get a schedule," or, "Oh, you have to go to Hinkle to sign up for the bowstaff fight." Don't believe them! I'm warning you, the place is straight up hainted.

Rule Three, some Einstein is going to say, "Hey dudes, lets roll up on Soupies." I can't really tell you how I feel about Soupies. Actually, why don't you just go and make up your own mind about the place.

August 19

Ooh snap, ooh snap, ooh snap, ooh snap. Well you should all be busy doing stuff all day, so today is dedicated to your parents, that's

out this week. I'd tell you but right, ma et pal, those that raised

Mom, dad, granpappy, don't worry none about your new Xavier student, they'll do so well that you'll be the proudest parent in Anytown, USA. Even if they don't meet your expectations, they're on their way to becoming mature, independent adults, and, isn't it Miller Time? Seriously though, Xavier is the perfect size for little Johnny Sue or Jane David. Make sure you pick up your Xavier car sticker, t-shirt and duffle from the Xavier bookstore, and head home, your young adult is in good, Jesuit backed hands.

August 20



Oh lord, your first weekend! Oh man, what are you going to do? I have no idea! I'm going insane! Alright, here's what I did on my first weekend, all those 9 years ago. I bought all of my books ahead of time, right? Well I started reading through them and highlighting important text so that I could learn AHEAD of time! YAY! Such a good idea! I totally covered the first 2 weeks worth of classes so that I was

way smart by the time classes started, but after the first two weeks I just didn't understand any of the material so I kind of blanked out, and started bringing my cassette Walkman to class in order to listen to hella Wyclef Jean.

August 21

Guess what? Nothing is going on today, so I recommend waking up around noon and eating a few sandwiches. After that, rent the following movies on VHS: Soul Plane, Undercover Brotha, Pluto Nash, Jaws 3, Rocky 5, and Chain of Command. After you've watched these films, you'll have a strong understanding of Xavier politics and student life, as well as a repetoir of catch phrases that will rival that dude down the hall who can quote Old School straight through.

August 22

Remember that SpongeBob episode in which he injests a ketchup, onion and peanut Sundae? Well be easy like SpongeBob and do the same. I want every freshman possible eating nothing but SpongeBob Sundaes so that the rest of us can pick you out of the crowd and help you around campus.

Actually, today most of you will probably be getting together with

the rest of the folks on your floor, bonding and what have you, but take heed, make sure you know who you made out with because they WILL be calling you throughout the coming weeks, and that could just be embarassing.

AAAAAHHHHHH!!! FULL TERM CLASSES STARTED!!!! What am I going to do? What's going on? Where's Hinkle Hall? I need to sign up for the bowstaff

Freshman, make sure that you wash up before class today, dress well, and make a good impression, because your professors will be basing your final grade off of your appearance and behavior today.

August 24

Tuesday, lets see, roughly 75 percent of you will be considering dropping that Math class that you think is going to be "just killer," but don't, otherwise you'll have to take it when you're 20, and I mean, that's just sad.

Ladies, welcome back to campus, allow me to be the first to introduce you to Commander Jay Arnes, Xavier's foremost archeologist adventurer who is not only trained in Ninjitsu, but also trained in being a wealthy doctor. Make sure that you look him up and give him a call. He's always up for a good time. This is Dr. Josh, ensuring the continuance of babbling nothingness on Xavier's campus, tune in next week for RGW.

If you haven't gotten the point yet, the staff of the Newswire is happy you've come to Xavier, and we look forward to meeting you around campus and in class.