



ONU Campus Prepares for Return of Students



The Mathile Center for the Natural Sciences, left, and additional Affinity Village housing, below, are just two of the changes students will find when the return to campus.



Green Chemistry Topic for Keiser Lecture

The new academic year begins Sept. 8 for ONU's undergraduate students.

Among the new facilities greeting them will be the Mathile Center for the Natural Sciences; a new student organizations room and student computer laboratory in the pharmacy buildings; renovated Founder's Hall; additional Affinity Village housing; geothermal heating and air conditioning in those areas; and updates and repairs across campus.

New faces and familiar faces in new roles will also greet students. David C. Crago, J.D., is serving as interim vice president for academic affairs; Juliet Hurtig, Ph.D., is serving as now interim assistant vice president for academic affairs; and Catherine Albrecht, Ph.D., is the new dean of the Getty College of Arts & Sciences.

Read more at: <http://www-new.onu.edu/node/21479>

The Keiser Distinguished Lecture Series brings Dr. Paul T. Anastas to ONU, Oct. 5-7.

Anastas is professor in the practice of green chemistry and serves as the director of the Center for Green Chemistry and Green Engineering at Yale. He is credited with establishing the field of green chemistry during his time with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

His topics will include: "Green Chemistry, From Here to Sustainability," a free public lecture at 7 p.m., Oct. 5 at the Freed Center; "Transformative Innovations for Sustainability," for engineering students and faculty on Oct. 6; and "Current Status and Future Challenges for Green Chemistry," on Oct. 7 for science faculty and students.

The Keiser Distinguished Lectureship in Life Sciences brings nationally prominent life sciences scholars to Ohio Northern's campus each year to lecture and interact with students. It is named in honor of professor **Terry D. Keiser**, BSED '64.

Tuition Exchange

Full-time employees who will have a child entering college in fall 2010 are invited to learn about the Tuition Exchange Inc. program in a special session at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16, in McIntosh Room 7.

Questions may always be directed to Dr. Juliet Hurtig at j-hurtig@onu.edu

Mortar Board Chapter Receives National Awards

The Aurora chapter at ONU was among the outstanding chapters honored for excellence at the 2009 Mortar Board National Conference, held July 24-26.

The ONU chapter was one of 67 to receive the Silver Torch Award, presented to chapters executing timeliness and dedication while exemplifying the ideals of scholarship, leadership and service. Silver Torch Award recipients are selected based on a review of national records, requiring that the chapter meet all of the national minimum standards and deadlines.

The chapter was among 28 groups to receive a Project Excellence Award, granted by a selection committee to chapters with notable projects in the areas of scholarship, leadership, fundraising, service, the national "Reading is Leading" literacy initiative, alumni involvement or Mortar Board Week. The chapter was recognized with two Project Excellence Awards for its work with "ONU Recycles" and for the chapter's regular reading at the Ada Library.

Chapter President Benjamin McPherson and National Office Intern Jessica Heidrich were present to accept the chapter's awards.

Mortar Board is a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership and service.

Learn to Swim

Swim classes will begin Sept. 20, conducted as a practicum by students in the Coaching Theories of Competitive Swimming class and as a fund raiser for the ONU men's and women's swimming and diving teams.

The program, for children from age 4 to 10, will be offered on five consecutive Sunday evenings. Cost is \$45 per child, and registration is limited to 40 participants.

To learn more, or to sign up, contact Peggy Ewald, men's and women's swimming and diving coach, at ext. 3132, or e-mail p-ewald@onu.edu

Sign Up For Text Messages

ONU has a cell phone text messaging service to alert faculty, staff and students of campus closings or emergencies. The system is designed to provide campus emergency information only, not general campus announcements. Sign-up is voluntary.

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Art Exhibitions Begins Sept. 8

ONU's 2009-10 art exhibition and gallery season begins Sept. 8 with a painting and drawing exhibit by Tom Connelly.

"Our gallery season is designed to serve as a cultural resource for the entire Ohio Northern community and surrounding region," said Melissa Eddings-Mancuso, associate professor of art and gallery director. The gallery program also hosts regional, national and international touring exhibitions.

Deeper Than Dreams is the opening exhibit by Connelly, a recipient of the Crescent Memorial Scholarship from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. The exhibit is slated from Sept. 8 to Oct. 2.

It will be followed by *Pre-Visions*, a painting exhibition by John R. Nativio, Oct. 9 to Nov. 3. In his work, Nativio focuses on our changing environment. "I find myself attempting to understand human existence with an increasingly manufactured landscape. Provocative glimpses over urban and rural settings leave capricious projections of what we have transformed, and how these transformations may change us," he says.

In a Little While, a painting show by Ivan J. Fortushniak, is scheduled for Jan. 4 to Feb. 19. Fortushniak's work juxtaposes water towers, smokestacks and Boeing aircraft, with landscapes inspired by George Inness, Winslow Homer and Albert P. Ryder. Most recently he has been investigating the psychological implications that pop and historical icons have played in his nurturing and understanding of life.

A highlight of this year's season will be the *Mid-America Print Council Juried Show*, March 8 to April 30. This print exhibition, hosted by the University of Southern Indiana and coordinated by Joseph D'Uva, is now on national tour. Work in the show includes prints, books and folios in any printed media including digital. Janet Ballweg, professor of art and printmaking area head at Bowling Green State University, adjudicated this year's show.

The exhibits are featured in the Elzay and Stambaugh galleries and are free and open to the public daily from noon to 5 p.m. while school is in session. The Stambaugh Studio Theatre Gallery is also open prior to events at the Freed Center for the Performing Arts.

For additional information, contact the department of art and design at ext. 2160.

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Professor Nsia-Pepra Presents in Ghana

While visiting home this summer, Dr. Kofi Nsia-Pepra, visiting assistant professor of political science, was invited to present at the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre in Accra, Ghana. Nsia-Pepra's talk entitled "Robust Peacekeeping? Confronting the Failures of the United Nations' Traditional Peacekeeping in Preventing Human Rights Violations," was part of the Reflections on Security Series hosted by the Centre.

Nsia-Pepra, introduced as a U.S. based security expert, addressed an audience made up of diplomats, military professionals, governmental officials and the media. He discussed the failures of traditional United Nations' peacekeeping efforts in places such as Rwanda, Sierra Leone and Bosnia. In these situations, he said, relatively small UN peacekeeping forces proved unable to prevent intra-state violence against civilians.

He recommended what he has termed the "Formidable Barrier Model" to prevent future civilian mass killings. This model calls for a large force, with rules of engagement that include protecting civilians as well as self-defense, and heavy weapons such as tanks and artillery. Such a force is necessary, Nsia-Pepra argued, because the decision to kill civilians is the result of a rational process that involves a cost-benefit calculation. Therefore, to stave off civilian killings, the peacekeepers must present a formidable barrier that would reduce the benefits and increase the costs to governmental and other forces who wish to target civilians. He also argued that this force should include elements from major powers such as the United States, which would give it the stamp of legitimacy and demonstrate global concern about ongoing atrocities.

He also argued that the composition of peacekeeping forces is crucial to reducing civilian casualties. Forces made up of culturally diverse elements and those with cultural similarities to the host are



less effective as peacekeepers. In addition, conflicts that involve democratic nations that lack strong institutions, which often leads to corrupt practices, tend to result in more civilian fatalities, according to his research.

Nsia-Pepra concluded his talk by addressing upcoming elections in Ghana. He argued that several steps are necessary to strengthen democratic institutions in the country in order to avoid violence. He argued that the nation must take steps to protect the integrity of the ballot box in the next election, including setting up a system for electronic voter registration, an electronic voting system and making the government responsible for the registration of all voters over the age of 18. These steps would keep underage voting, voting by foreigners and multiple voting from altering the electoral results and solidify confidence in election returns. He also urged the Ghanaian government to foster the creation of a strong civil society and to take steps to de-personalize and detribalize politics and public policy.

Essentially Ghana would need to develop strong, independent, detribalized, depoliticized and incorruptible democratic institutions, Nsia-Pepra said. These steps would help Ghana to build a sustainable democracy, develop the human capacity of the nation and to avoid violence that often arises when election results are not trusted by the people.

After the conference, Nsia-Pepra gave interviews to various media outlets, including Sky TV and CTFM.

'Understanding Japan' at Heterick Library

Heterick Memorial Library has been named recipient of books from The Nippon Foundation's program, "100 Books for Understanding Japan."

The books, selected by Heterick Library staff, cover politics and international relations, economics and business, society and culture, literature and the arts and history. They will be shipped from Japan in September and made available shortly thereafter. Look for posters announcing the new additions to the Heterick collection.

How to Promote Your Event:

1. Add it to the online calendar (www-new.onu.edu/event)
This is also a good way to see if there is a conflict with another campus event.
2. Tell people about it — your department, your classes, the Office of Communications and Marketing, The Northern Review, WONB, Cable 3. E-mail works!
3. Consider posters, flyers or a campus-wide e-mail.
4. If the event is open to the public, provide information to the Office of Communications and Marketing at least two weeks in advance so news releases can be created and sent. Magazines or professional journals need even more advance notice, up to two months.



2009-10 Academic Year Opening Activities

Tuesday, Sept. 1 New Faculty Orientation

8:30 a.m. Coffee and donuts (Business College Atrium)

9:00 a.m. University Mission and Vision: Faculty Roles and Expectations (Dicke Forum)

Panel Discussion

- Dr. Forrest Clingerman, assistant professor, religion
- Dr. Robert Kleine, III, associate professor, marketing
- Dr. Khalid Al-Olimat, associate professor, electrical engineering
- Dr. David Kisor, professor, pharmacokinetics
- Dr. Tena Roepke, associate professor, mathematics

10:30 a.m. Teaching Resources and Support (Engineering College Science Annex, Rm. 210)

- Nathan Oliver, online instructional course design
- Heather Caprette, online instructional course design
- Rachel Rader, mathematics specialist
- Dr. Melanie Caw-Woods, director of Communication Skills Center
- Dr. Jill Christopher, associate professor accounting (Master Teacher Program)

Noon Lunch (Pharmacy Student Lounge)

12:45 p.m. Student Activities (Pharmacy Student Lounge)

- Student Senate – Michael Hamper
- Inter-Fraternity Council President – Axel Brandt
- Student Planning Council – Levi Good
- Student Athlete Advisory Council – Courtney Zupancic

1:30 p.m. Research and Scholarship Resources and Support (College of Law, Hanson Reading Room)

- Professor Paul Logsdon, director, Heterick Library
- Dr. Nancy Armstrong, director, Taggart Law Library
- Rebecca Watercutter, coordinator of proposal development
- Dr. Jason Pinkney, associate professor of physics

2:30 p.m. University Community: Service and Activity (Freed Center, Rm. 131)

- Dr. Sunny Zank, University Council Chair
 - Catriona Macphie, director, Freed Center for the Performing Arts
 - Tom Simmons, director of athletics
 - Dr. Scott Swanson, associate professor of exercise physiology
- 4:00 p.m.** Campus Tour (Freed Center Lobby)
- Ann (Donnelly) Hamilton, director of alumni affairs and campaign manager

Wednesday, Sept. 2

Morning: Law classes rescheduled

8:30 a.m. Coffee, tea and cookies available (Freed Center)

9:00 a.m. Opening Session for University Community – President Kendall L. Baker (Freed Center)

10:30 a.m. Organizational Meeting – University faculty (Freed Center)

11:15 a.m. University Council Organizational Meeting – Dr. Sunny Zank, chair (Freed Center)

11:30 a.m. Organizational Meetings, University Governance Committees (Freed Center)

Locations:

- Personnel – PAC 131
- Student Activities – PAC 132
- Promotion and Tenure Appeals – PAC 111, Green Room
- Review Committee on Dismissal of Faculty – PAC 133
- Hearing Committee on Dismissal of Faculty – PAC 129

11:40 a.m. Organizational Meetings, University Governance Committees (Freed Center)

Locations:

- Budget and Appropriations – PAC 131
- Academic Affairs – PAC 132
- Grievance Committee – PAC 133
- Committee on Academic Conduct – PAC 129

1:30 – 4:30 p.m. University Faculty Development – Marketing for Becoming ONU (McIntosh Ballroom)

Thursday, September 3

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. College Faculty Development Sessions

Friday, September 4

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. College Faculty Development Activities

Saturday, September 5

Morning: New undergraduate students arrive

5:00 p.m. Picnic for new undergraduate students, new transfer students and new commuter students

Sunday, September 6

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. College and department orientation for new undergraduate students (To be announced by colleges)

Tuesday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Undergraduate classes begin

8:00 – noon Registration and add-drop for all students (Ballroom)
Deans, department chairs or representatives present

1:30 – 5:00 p.m. Registration and add-drop for all students (Registrar's Office)

Deans, department chairs or representatives present

Health Screenings

Mark your calendar for the ONU
health screenings:

Thursday, Oct. 15
and
Saturday, Nov. 14

Watch for details!

