May Week at the Lima Campus

The annual spring celebration, more commonly referred to as May Week, took place this year from May 4-9 at the Lima Campus. The 5-day event offers a variety of social, recreational and cultural activities for faculty, staff and students.

"Participation was better than ever," said Carole Enneking, Coordinator of Cultural and Social Programs at the campus. 538 students were involved in the activities with over 1,000 spectators at the week-long event. 36 faculty and staff members were signed up for at least one of the 31 events.

Highlighted activities include the tricycle race, egg toss, hammock race, pizza eating contest and twister game. New contests in this year’s line-up were the Baby Bottle Gobble and the Banana Eating Contest.

“The reason that May Week was more successful than in the past was due to the hard work and commitment of the newly formed Social Activities Board,” said Enneking.

Enneking was pleased to report that 9 of the 15 student organizations on the Lima Campus participated in May Week.

Development Office Plans Recognition Dinner and Mailing

The Development Office at the Lima Campus has had a busy quarter.

In January, V.C. Hossellman donated a library of over 100 Abraham Lincoln and Civil War books to the campus. The books were valued at approximately $2,000.

In March, OSU Lima made the first presentation of the Mae Guyer Scholarship Endowment to Kara Morgan, a junior majoring in political science.

Bob Shenk, Development Officer, said that a Recognition Dinner is being planned for mid-July. OSU President Edward Jennings will be the keynote speaker.

“The dinner will recognize and honor the people who have been instrumental in the establishment of endowments at the Lima Campus,” said Shenk.

The Lima Campus Development Office is also planning a Spring mailing to all area alumni from OSU Lima asking for donations to the campus. A similar mailing for Lima Technical College is planned for late summer 1987.

Mae Guyer and Kara Morgan
IN THE NEWS

LIMA CAMPUS

The Communication Services Office in conjunction with the Office of Athletics and the Office of Social and Cultural Programs held a Media Appreciation Party for the media in the surrounding 10 counties. The theme of the party was, “Thank You for helping us help the Lima area.”

Over 40 representatives from the media attended.

THANK YOU SPEAKERS

The Lima Campus Speakers Bureau had another successful quarter. Since the beginning of the academic year, over 100 presentations have been given by over 43 faculty and staff members.

A big thank you goes out to several speakers who have given 3 or more presentations through the Bureau:

David Adams
Teresa Barnes
Sam Bassitt
Mary Collins

Ron Geiser
Shirley Johnson
Margot Keller
Susan Porter
Wayne Reinhardt
Norm Rex
Mike Wurst

A special thank you to Mary Collins for giving over 13 presentations since September, 1986.

LIMA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

The addition to the Technical Education Lab should be completed in Autumn 1987. A dedication is being planned for the opening. The project added over 12,000 square feet to the already existing building.

A new service is being offered at LTC. The Rural Career Assistance Center (RCAC) began operation on April 1, 1987. RCAC is designed to assist farmers and farm families with career changes. Dan Keller has been appointed as coordinator of the Center. This project is being funded by a grant through SDA No. 2 Private Industry Council in cooperation with LTC and local Cooperative Extension Service Offices.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AT LIMA

OSU’s Board of Trustees approved a non-smoking policy that permits smoking on campuses only in designated areas. The new policy takes effect July 1. Areas where smoking is allowed will be marked with “Smoking Permitted” signs.

The president of Ohio State University is calling for additional state support for higher education to prevent a reduction in academic quality and a major increase in tuition next fall. A 31 percent tuition increase is possible if changes in the budget are not made.

Lima Campus Offers A Variety of Academic Help

Jeanette Carter
Steve Higgins

Students from both LTC and OSU Lima can obtain academic help in the Developmental Education Lab, located on the 4th floor in Galvin Hall. Two specialists are available to provide services to Lima Campus students.

Jeanette Carter is a Learning Disabilities Specialist. Carter assists students with the testing and diagnosis of learning disabilities. After a student’s problem is identified, accommodations are made to help them continue their education and cope with their disability.

Steve Higgins, Coordinator of Developmental Education at the Lima Campus, supervises the Developmental Education Lab, the learning resource center and tutorial services.

The Developmental Education Program is designed to help students who are deficient in certain academic skills to reach a level where they can be successful in their studies.

Instructional materials are available including audio and visual tapes that support developmental courses. Services in the developmental lab are free. Higgins can arrange for tutors to be available at a nominal fee. In Autumn 1986, Higgins reports that 1,385 contact hours were logged in the development lab.

Lima Campus faculty are encouraged to inform their students about the services available.
LTC Provides Training For Local Company

Delphos Industries, a division of the Coburn Corporation, received a $29,998.24 grant from the Department of Development Ohio Industrial Training Program (OITP). Lima Technical College will provide the training for Delphos Industries in 16 areas of instruction. The on-site training program began February 2, 1987 and is being coordinated by the Northwest Consortium (NWC), a regional office of OITP located at the Lima Campus.

Sam Bassitt, Chairman of the Northwest Consortium and Vice President of Instruction for Lima Technical College said, “We are pleased to welcome this new company to our Lima/Allen County community and to be involved with them in this comprehensive training program.”

The training provided involves instruction in 16 areas including: SPC; measuring; injection molding; electric, hydraulic and pneumatic mold design; and supervisor and computer training.

Norman Rex, Engineering Technologies Division Chairman is assisting in the coordination of training through the Engineering Department at LTC and through combined efforts with area colleges.

The NWC is one of 19 regional districts of OITP. Robert Ballenger, Director of the NWC, says that the grant money will be used to help offset the cost of instructor's time and material costs relating to the instruction.

OSU Lima Explores Variation in Curriculum

A group of OSU Lima faculty have conducted an experiment this quarter in interdisciplinary curriculum.

Organized by John Hellmann, Associate Professor of English, the group met and discussed historian Frederick Jackson Turner’s famous 1893 lecture and essay “The Significance of the Frontier in American History.” Turner’s “frontier thesis” claims that the American frontier, supposedly a meeting point “between savagery and civilization,” explains the uniqueness of American history and culture.

During the spring, Hellmann has included this text in his course, “The Frontier in American Fantasy, Experience and Mythology.” Turner’s essay is also being used in classes taught by Walter Earle (psychology), James Machor (comparative arts), James Bode (philosophy), Gretta Kumpf (elementary education) and David Adams (sociology).

In April, the Lima Campus invited Professor Jane Tompkins from Duke University to Lima to discuss the frontier theme. Tompkins’ lecture entitled “West of Everything: Men, Women and the American Frontier” promoted discussion among the faculty, students and the Lima community. 150 people attended the lecture.
New Major at LTC

The Ohio Board of Regents recently approved a new program to be offered at Lima Technical College. The new degree, Associate of Technical Studies, is designed to allow students an opportunity to “build their own program.” This flexible curriculum can integrate past experiences and provide a course of study designed to match a student’s career goals.

“This program can pull together a student’s past efforts,” said LTC President/OSU Lima Dean and Director James Biddle. “The new major will capture energy the student has already extended and channel their efforts into a program they can work with,” he said.

The Associate of Technical Studies will be open to any student admitted to the College.

Vice President of Instruction, Sam Bassitt, said that this program allows for many opportunities, both for traditional and non-traditional students.

BVC Review

The Baron Varsity Club (BVC) boasted over 68 members for the 1986-87 academic year reported John Stroia, Coordinator of Athletic Programs at the Lima Campus.

The BVC, an athletic booster organization for OSU Lima/LTC teams, is made up of alumni, faculty, staff and parents of Lima Campus players. This year the BVC sponsored three excursions: the OSU-Colorado State football game, the OSU-BGSU hockey game, the OSU-Purdue University basketball game and a trip to Cincinnati to see the Reds vs. the N.Y. Mets.

Three Socials were held at the Blue Peak’s Restaurant following Lima Campus basketball games.

“The support and enthusiasm is really appreciated by the students,” said Stroia.

Faculty and Staff Activities

Publications

Will Wells [LTC General Studies] has had the following poems published: “Hedgeapples” accepted by Chariton Review; “The River Ouse” accepted by Iron Magazine (United Kingdom); and “Beatings” anthologized in The Ghosts of The Holocaust anthology.

Professional Conferences


Nan Eckfeld [LTC Registrar] attended the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers in Las Vegas, Nevada, April 20-23.

Bill Lamont and Susan Putt [LTC Admissions] and Melissa Green and Doug Torrance [OSU Student Affairs] attended the Ohio Association of College Admission Counselors, Huron, April 26-28.


Presentations


New Faces at the Lima Campus

Scott Farler, machine operator, Central Duplicating, LTC. Farler is a graduate of Perry High School. Before coming to the Lima Campus, Farler worked at the Varsity Shop in Lima as a sales representative.

Dan Keller, specialist, Rural Career Assistance Center, LTC. Keller earned a bachelor’s degree from The Ohio State University, majoring in agriculture. He has taught vocational agriculture and horticulture in Cincinnati and Dayton schools.

Dave Smith, staff accountant, Financial Services, LTC. Smith was a staff accountant for E.S. Evans, C.P.A. in Lima before coming to LTC. He earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting and a bachelor’s degree in natural resources from The Ohio State University.
OSU Lima’s College For A Day Program

College for a Day, or as Missy Green refers to it, CFAD was a success for the OSU Lima Admissions Office.

CFAD is a program designed for high school seniors who haven't yet decided on what college to attend or if they want to attend at all. This program allows students to sit in class, talk with current students and basically get the feel of “college life.”

“We had over 120 students attend CFAD this year,” said Green. Over 18 high schools were represented she reported.

The program has been growing each year. Many high school seniors really don't know what to expect in college. At the end of their visit, Green says the seniors commented most about the differences in the classroom.

“No one reminds us to take notes,” said a girl from Allen East. “Other students ask a lot of questions,” remarked a young man who sat in on a chemistry class.

Green says that the main purpose of CFAD is to introduce the college experience to students who are still undecided. “The program answers a lot of their questions and eases a lot of their fears,” she said.

Ninth Annual Great Black Swamp Dulcimer Festival

Over 1,000 musicians and listeners flooded the Lima Campus for the ninth Great Black Swamp Dulcimer Festival on April 24-26, 1987. Music enthusiasts from over 25 states including Alaska and Ontario, Canada attended the festival.

The festival featured two separate instruments which share the name “dulcimer.”

The mountain dulcimer is traditionally held in the lap and the strings are plucked or strummed. It is long and narrow and has 3-6 strings.

The hammered dulcimer is larger, louder and is played with small mallets held in each hand. It is trapezoidal in shape and has about 60 strings.

More than 100 workshops were held throughout the weekend.

The annual festival is organized by Susan Porter, Associate Professor of Music at OSU Lima.
Finding a home for the Allen County Landfill is a real problem, but not to worry! The intellectual powerhouse that is the Lima Campus is working on solutions. Here's Idea #24: The world's only permanently floating landfill — last scented on Upper Hawg Creek.

Actually, New York City also has one. According to the wire service, it was last smelt off the coast of Panama. "We have met the enemy... etc..."

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