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In April 1998, the roof on the Downing University Center caved in due to excessive hail and water damage from a severe storm. The entire fourth floor was flooded, as well as several other areas of the building. The fourth floor had to be largely gutted to remove water-damaged materials. Most of the billiards area was closed off until we determined how to proceed, but the remaining bowling area was opened in a temporary mode to accommodate our students.

After a moisture-control system was used to remove excess water from the bowling lanes, the lanes were resurfaced for use by bowling classes and leisure recreation. The carpet was replaced in this area and a smaller billiards area and video games area was made available. The restrooms and concessions area also remained open.

Other areas of the building that were flooded included the theatre and stage, the mezzanine, and several offices and meeting rooms. The carpet and walls in these areas had to be thoroughly cleaned because of mold buildup and several rooms received new carpet and paint.

After much discussion, we have decided to continue to use the fourth floor for leisure-time recreational activities, such as billiards, bowling, dancing, and socializing.

We have finally settled with the insurance company and now have begun the process to remodel our recreation area. Luckett & Farley, an architectural-engineering firm from Louisville, Kentucky, has been hired to design and provide assistance for the renovation process. Luckett & Farley is challenged with designing a 24,000 square foot recreational area with durable and pleasing finishes—all with a limited budget and timeframe.

Our projected grand opening date is scheduled to be in August 1999. Several specific areas we have requested for them to include is a refurbished/updated billiards area, a table tennis area, a new dance floor with DJ booth and sound equipment, a newly decorated bowling area, and a large video arcade.

**Employee Spotlight:**

*Heather Strode*

Heather Strode, is our Leadership and Volunteerism Coordinator. Heather joined our staff in August 98. Her duties include implementing a student volunteer bureau, planning leadership activities for WKU student organizations, and coordinating leadership workshops.

Welcome to our staff, Heather!!

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Recreation Activities

The recreational area will be offering Spring programs for a break away from your studies. David Tolliver, our recreation floor supervisor has planned the following events for the semester.

On Wednesday, February 10, we'll be hosting a 4th Floor Barbeque at 7pm. For $3.00 you can have unlimited recreation which includes bowling and billiards. Plus, dig in to some hot wings, hamburgers, and other fixins! Kick your heels up and join us for a Western B-B-Q!

March Madness will be scheduled during the NCAA basketball games (TBA). For $3.00, we'll show the games on our big screen television, plus have unlimited recreation which includes bowling and billiards. Of course, we'll have food and drinks.

Plus, door prizes such as basketball and sporting apparel will be given out to some lucky NCAA fans!

Don't be an April Fool! Join us on Thursday, April 1, for Rock and Bowl! For $3.00 you can rock and roll to our DJ music while you bowl. Prizes will be given away for knocking down the red head pin. And of course, we'll have food and drinks. No fooling!!

Finally, relieve some of that stress during finals week by coming to our Finals Getaway on Friday, April 30. You can "destress" by putting down those textbooks and picking up a bowling ball. We'll have lots of "food for thought" and door prizes, too.

Looking for an exciting, inexpensive place for your child's birthday party or sports team celebration?

Come to the Downing University Center! We are offering special group rates for parties on the recreation floor. For groups of ten or less, a flat fee of $20.00 allows everyone access to the bowling lanes with shoe rental and billiards for two hours. For each additional person over the group of ten, a $3.00 fee will be charged.

Party reservations can be made Monday thru Friday between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., Saturday between 1:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. and Sunday between 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

To make your party reservations, please call 745-5793 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

CENTER THEATRE PRESENTS . . .

Ringmaster: Feb. 10 - 13
Ever After: Feb. 17 - 20

Other movies will be released as soon as they become available.

Showtime is 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Saturday. Tickets are $2.00 per person. Season passes for the entire Spring semester are available for $15.00 per person. For more information, call 745-5793 or visit our office at DUC 228.
Greek Affairs for Spring 1999

Feb. 5       Minority Organizations Retreat
Feb. 8       IFC Meeting @ 4pm
Feb. 8-12    Sigma Phi Epsilon Queen of Hearts
Feb. 9       College Bowl for Kid Sakes
Feb. 13      Greek Leadership Symposium
Feb. 17      Panhellenic Meeting @ 4pm
Feb. 18-21   Southeastern Interfraternity Conference & NPHC Conference in Atlanta, Georgia
Feb. 22      IFC Meeting @ 4pm
Feb. 22-26   Sigma Alpha Epsilon Dodgeball Tournament
Feb. 23      President's Roundtable @ 4pm
Feb. 24      Alpha Omicron Pi Rose Bowl
Mar. 3       Panhellenic Meeting @ 4pm
Mar. 3       Academic Banquet @ Garrett Ballrom
Mar. 6       Alpha Omicron Pi Rock-a-thon
Mar. 8-11    Sigma Nu 3 on 3
Mar. 15-19   Spring Break
Mar. 22-26   Phi Delta Theta Softball
Mar. 24      Panhellenic Meeting @ 4pm
Mar. 25-28   Southeastern Panhellenic Conference in Atlanta, Georgia
Mar. 29      IFC Meeting @ 4pm
Mar. 29-30   Kappa Alpha Order Old South Week
Apr. 1       President's Roundtable @ 4pm
Apr. 5-9     Sigma Chi Derby Days
Apr. 7       Panhellenic Meeting @ 4pm
Apr. 12-18   Greek Week
Apr. 12      IFC Meeting @ 4pm
Apr. 19-23   Delta Tau Delta Foot Fetish
Apr. 21      Panhellenic Meeting @ 4pm
Apr. 26      IFC Meeting @ 4pm
Apr. 26-29   Sigma Chi 4 on 4
Apr. 27      President's Roundtable
Apr. 30-31   Finals Week
May 6        Commencement

Niteclass

Some very exciting things are happening in Niteclass this semester, most notably our new managers. Michael Crowe, Dave Emerson, and Byron Lightsy have been helping us oversee the dance operations and supervise the staff for Niteclass since last fall. Welcome aboard, guys!!

We will be open every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday throughout the semester except over Spring Break. The Niteclass dance operation will open with music at 9:00 p.m. and close at 1:00 a.m. Subway will open at 10:30 a.m. and close at midnight, Monday thru Saturday.

We have purchased some new sound equipment: a Sony 61" large screen television, a cd/dvd player, a maximum tv sound system, and a wall-mounted television!

Please welcome our 1999/2000 UCB Chairs!!

Dan Gilbert             Executive Chair
Greg Meriweather        Vice Chair
Dan Gaddie              Lecture Chair
Tony Lopez              Co-Concert Chair
David Lodmell           Co-Special Events
Mark Legaspi            Co-Special Events
Thomas Grinter          Minority Students
David Tolliver          Rec. Floor Chair
Adam Brownlee           Co-Niteclass Chair
Jackson Brownlee        Co-Niteclass Chair
How To Make Room Reservations at D.U.C?

All recognized student organizations and departmental offices may make a room reservation at the Downing University Center by calling 745-5793 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All other groups or off-campus organizations must call the Office of University Relations at 745-2497.

For more information, call Patty Witty at 745-5793 or come by Office 228 of DUC.

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### Meet Our Staff!

**Welcome!**

Scott Taylor, Director  
DUC 327  
Ph: 2459

Bennie Beach, Program Coordinator  
DUC 328  
Ph: 2459

Charley Pride  
Coordinator of Student Organizations and Greek Affairs  
DUC 325  
Ph: 2459

Eugenia Scott, Office Associate  
DUC 326  
Ph: 2458

Heather Strode, Leadership & Voluntceism Coordinator  
DUC 325  
Ph: 2060

Patty Witty, Operations Manager  
DUC 227  
Ph: 5793

Jerry Johnson, Night Manager  
DUC 240  
Ph: 5794

Kim Sowders, Office Associate  
DUC 228  
Ph: 5793

Keith Rigdon, Weekend Supervisor  
DUC 240  
Ph: 2456

David Tolliver  
Recreation Supervisor  
DUC 406  
Ph: 5817

Theresa Gerard, Garrett Hostess  
GCC Lobby  
Ph: 3357

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