Changes at The Oaks

Brionna Scebbi | Copy Chief

The Oaks Dining Center experienced some changes over the summer, from new vegetables in its Green Roof garden to a reorganized dining space.

The Oaks Dining Center, which has a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Gold certification, is known for its Green Roof. The roof is home to a garden that thrives in the summer under the care of the University’s Dining Culinary Team. This summer, the garden was planned out by prep cook Alycia Bowerize. The success of the summer garden was not without challenges. Bowerize first had to determine what needed fixing and strategically plant crops where they would best grow based on sunlight. These initial obstacles weren’t the only ones to plague the garden: mint plants began to dominate. Before the space could reach its full potential and productivity, the mint roots had to be reined in from other plant boxes.

Once she overcame these problems, Bowerize was ready to plant. With guidance and input from Executive Chef Marissa Riffle, Bowerize chose new crops — bok choy, onions, brussels sprouts and Swiss chard — to accompany some of the staples of the garden such as cucumbers, lettuce, zucchini, berries, peppers and herbs. Hanging baskets full of flowers completed the green space.

These plants supplement the Teaching Kitchen’s supply of produce, and the crops that don’t make it into the Teaching Kitchen are used for events on the Green Roof or go home with BGSU Dining staff.

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Q&A: Students contemplate college at picnic

Abby Shifley | Campus Editor

At the annual First-Year Student Picnic, students gathered to socialize and enjoy food provided by the University. Freddie and Frieda Falcon were at the picnic, along with members of SICSIC and the 2018-2019 BGSU Cheerleaders. H2O Church also had a tent set up and was offering students free snow cones; BG Votes had a table set up as well.

The first few days of college can be tough, but the general consensus from first-years is they are hopeful and excited.

FIRST-YEAR QUOTATIONS:

**Q**: How are you adjusting to college?

**A**: “It’s a little rough at first, living on your own and everything. But, after this weekend it’s actually evening out.”

– Gabe Carrington, freshman, majoring in electronics and computer engineering technology

**A**: “Slowly. It’s been kind of rough not having a roommate to start out. He’s moving in today at three, so that should hopefully make it better.”

– Alex Hanson, freshman, majoring in computer science

**A**: “It’s a lot easier adjusting than I thought it would be, because everyone’s super friendly!”

– Hailee Shaub, freshman, majoring in forensics

**A**: “A lot easier than I thought I would. I was very nervous moving an hour and a half from home, but I’ve actually been a lot more comfortable than I thought I would.”

– Leah Krul, freshman, majoring in mechatronics engineering technology

**A**: “It was a little weird at first without everyone here, but I’ve made a lot of friends, so it’s going pretty well.”

– Gavin Friedrichsen, freshman, majoring in adolescence young adult English education

**A**: “For me it’s pretty normal, because I did Boy Scouts. So, I would spend a week away at summer camp each year. So, I’ve done stuff like this before.”

– Erich Mergner, freshman, majoring in marine biology

**Q**: What are you looking forward to most your first week of classes?

**A**: “Just meeting the people in my class, you know; when you’re in a major you’re gonna know people for the next four years, hopefully. I’m just excited to meet those people.”

– Carrington

**A**: “Seeing how it’s different than high school and meeting new people in my classes.”

– Hanson

**A**: “Getting to know more people and getting more into the flow of the classes and not just the opening weekend events.”

– Shaub

**A**: “Being able to meet new people and just learn new things.”

– Krul

**A**: “Getting the work done. I’ve already started a bunch, but I’ve still got a lot more to go.”

– Friedrichsen

**A**: “Just getting started, doing some classes, getting stuff figured out.”

– Mergner

**Q**: How are you enjoying opening weekend?

**A**: “The shows have been really cool; it’s been really fun going to those. I’ve been to the hypnotist and the magician, and I went to ice skating, too, last night.”

– Carrington

**A**: “They’re pretty cool. I went to the Avengers movie; that was pretty sweet.”

– Hanson

**A**: “It was fun and a lot more organized than I thought it would be. I thought there was

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What I learned from working retail

By Meredith Siegel | Forum Editor

Summer jobs are often retail jobs, so many high school and college students know the ups and (mostly) downs of working in retail.

I am of the opinion that everyone should work retail at sometime in their lives to gain empathy from those currently in the field, but most people have worked retail, or at least a service job, at one point or another in their life.

But, I am also of the opinion that people forget. They forget the long hours, short breaks, exhausting "customer is always right" attitude and fake smiles plastered across your face. They forget that those working retail live and exist outside of the department store.

I'm writing down what I learned from working retail for the past three years, so I don't forget.

The little things count.
Going just a step out of your way to help someone else can really make their day. It's all the time, but little things really do go a long way. When I've been working the fitting room for six hours and someone brings me back the little tag on their door, instead of me having to go get it, it is like an oasis in the desert. I understand that most people are in their own little worlds when shopping, but only acknowledging workers when you want something can get disheartening.

You can't take things too personally.
Those who are shopping don't take much into account other than what they need to get done. This is understandable, because shopping can be stressful and inconvenient. So, when customers are short with employees, or they refuse to acknowledge you at all, it's not because you did anything wrong. Getting upset every time a customer is rude would create a miserable existence, and this applies to a lot of things. Being able to step back and realize most things aren't done to affect you personally will help you be more comfortable.

Leave work at work.
Even though retail doesn't seem like a job you would bring home with you, the negative experiences, the coworker drama, the stress about your next shift all stay with you once you get home if you let them. Sometimes customers are rude, or a coworker just doesn't work as hard as you do. Sometimes you don't finish everything you should've in your last shift. Work can be stressful for a multitude of reasons, no matter what job you're doing. So, it's a huge benefit to step away from it while you are at home. Make your life at home about being at home, and do the same for work. It'll make things less overwhelming.

"Remember to treat retail employees with respect, and don't forget your roots."

Vegetarianism has its benefits

By Faith Hufford | Guest Columnist

At the risk of being clichéd, I'm going to tell you something. College, for many of you, is the first you have control over your life without control from family or other factors.

From who to hang out with, what to do, where to go, when to sleep and how to study, choices are now abound in your life — and consequently, so does the need for decisions.

One decision that you may have thought about (or maybe you haven't — that's okay, too) is what you're going to eat. For years, your options of what to eat may have been decided by what's in your pantry, what fast-food place is down the street or what your parental units have prepared for dinner and set on the table.

Even looking around Bowling Green, it may seem as if you do not have many options. There are only two dining halls, after all. Each dining hall, however, offers nearly endless options for what to eat, with several stations in each hall serving multiple food options.

The Falcon's Nest in the Union and the Sundial in Kreischer offer even more options as well, not to mention the myriad of Outtakates, the Dunkin' Donuts (and Dunkin' Donuts cart), the Starbucks and the many vending machines making appearances around the campus.

In addition to these places you can buy food from, there are kitchens in each residence hall, affording you the option to make your own meals.

All in all, you have a lot of choices.

One of the choices that is okay to make, is the choice to eat a diet that isn't necessarily followed by the majority of people around you.

From veganism (not eating any animal products) to vegetarianism (not eating meat) to pescatarian (not eating meat except fish and seafood) and so many more, the options for how and what you will eat are nearly endless.

It took me three years to learn that I didn't want to eat meat, and one of the biggest reasons why it took so long was because I didn't believe it was okay to not eat meat. My parents and siblings frequently teased those who gave up meat, and all of my friends seemed to be fine eating meat — but it made me squirm to think about eating an animal, and it was bad for my overall health.

I don't believe eating any one type of diet is imperative to anyone's health or wellbeing.

I do believe we should all be asking ourselves if we are enjoying what we eat and if what we are eating is keeping our bodies healthy as a whole. Not that you can't or shouldn't eat that sweet treat you love — I'm the first to say I eat pints of ice cream like nobody's business.

But for me, eating meat was keeping me in a cycle of unhealthiness that I only realized after doing research into a vegetarian diet. The cycle was broken, and my health improved once I began to change my eating habits.

As you come into your college career, or even if you're in the middle or very near the end, my hope for you is that you are aware of what you're putting in your body and you ask yourself if it is making you happy and healthy. And if you don't believe it is, then know it's okay to make the decision to change the way you eat.

The beautiful thing about having options is that you get to choose the one that fits you.

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Five ways to make friends

By Beatrice Fields | Guest Columnist

Encountering another human being in any general location can be difficult. What do you do when your pre-generated small talk options have been used up? Do you try to excuse yourself from the situation, do you look around for someone to “save” you from conversation or do you do the unthinkable and let the other person ask you questions about your life in general? If you are anything like me, you are excruciatingly hard on yourself when it comes to creating and maintaining a little something called “average human relationships.” My “friendship stat” allows me to only have five, in total, friendship slots. This means that I only am able to juggle three close friendships and two mid-tier friendships. Training this stat is a constant struggle because “training” implies that you’ll have to go outside. Like, outside of your apartment or dorm. Do you know how many people are out there? More than five, that’s for sure! Probably more than fifteen, if I’d have to take a guess.

So, as someone who has spent four-and-a-good-half years at the University, here are my top five tips for pal-making:

1 Memes

**Fact:** Anyone born after 1994 A.D. can accurately pinpoint what part of the internet someone hangs out at by peeping at what memes they enjoy. As we all know, memes operate on a spectrum. For example, memes about sports exist very far away from memes about astrology. Here’s another more personal example: memes that are just too fortnight-y will sail over my head towards the drop off point, or whatever (Y’all like fly in the beginning of a game, right? Where are you going?). Of course, it’s possible you can teach me about the memes you like, but it’s ultimately up to me if I like them or not. You can lead a horse to water, but you can’t make it drink. Memes can make or break a potential pal prospect.

2 Aliens

Are you a true believer or a coward? It’s really that simple.

3 Crimes

What kind of crimes are they down for? I personally draw the line at “drunk and disorderly,” but your boundaries are yours to create. Might as well have some fun swerving on those walking misdemeanors! The possibilities are as endless as our University Code of Conduct. (Once you get done with that fun time, make sure to check out our local laws as well. Cheers!)

4 Winter

Just wait and see. As temperatures get below zero, you’ll want to hang out with friends indoors. When people are indoors, a crazy thing may occur with your prospective pals: they start to get comfortable around you. The question is: are you comfortable with them? What if one prospect brings over knitting gear and starts knitting sweaters for your furniture? I’m not saying that’s a bad thing, but do you want this kind of person around your stuff? Well, if they are knitting for your pets then, keep ‘em close. Never let ‘em go!

5 Health & Respect

Try to hang out with someone who’s making an effort to actually be okay with their own existence. I get it, being stuck in this mortal coil can be a curse unto itself. No one taught us how to love in a way that is truly nurturing to people of all genders, ethnicities, sexualities, abilities and/or faiths. That includes our own self. However, don’t let the common suffering of humankind keep you from clowning around in a healthy way! Good friendships are based on growth, and it’s a guarantee that college changes our perceptions of the world. Find friends who are flexible and can maintain boundaries even when you yourself are going through that ol’ woeful six. Also, make sure these friends treat you with respect and are honest about your flaws, not in any effort to hurt you or cause drama, but in an effort of awareness. Good friends are the essential lights that guide us through existential darkness. Cheers!
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A: “I've enjoyed it a lot! I've made more friends than I thought I would, and I've been exposed to many different elements of college, and I'm just excited for this school year.”

– Shaub

A: “It's had its ups and downs. There was some stuff that wasn't all that interesting, but the stuff that I've attended has been pretty good so far.”

– Friedrichsen

A: “It's been good, just hanging out with people, doing stuff.”

– Mergner

Advice for first-years:

“College is a new beginning, so all of these students that we see have had different experiences, and they all are who they are today — partially defined by their family, by their friends, by their maybe older brother, older sister. But college is a chance to be who they want to be. It's a great opportunity that you can continue to be who you were, or you could recreate yourself, and say, 'You know, I want to be that individual who's curious about the world. I want to look for adventure. I may want to become involved in science or the arts.' So it's such a great opportunity to be who you want to be, who the student wants to be. And they have to do it by getting involved, getting engaged, taking a few risks — calculated risks — reach out, say hello to people, meet new people, learn from people that you've never met before.”

– Rodney K. Rogers, University president.

“Something we say to Honors Students a lot, but it applies to everybody, is what you put into your college experience is what you get out of it. So I think it's really important that people figure out what they want out of college, and they really need to make sure they do what they need to do in order to get far.”

– Simon Morgan-Russell, Dean of the Honors College.

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Take advantage of student discounts

Even Hayes | Pulse Editor

Now that the school year is starting back up, college students everywhere will begin to feel that money-saving pinch as they pay for new year expenses. Books, dorm room furnishings, technology and food all put a heavy burden on students just trying to make that final summer paycheck last until October.

However, businesses and services across the country offer discounts for students to take advantage of with their student ID or university email account. Try to stretch a dollar with these discounts this year.

TECHNOLOGY/MEDIA

APPLE MUSIC: Some students rarely remove their headphones, so if you listen to a lot of music, this discount is for you. Students who register for an Apple Music student membership with their student email receive a discounted rate of $4.99 a month, plus a free first three months of service.

SPOTIFY/HULU: Spotify and Hulu are now offering a partnership deal for students who register with their University email accounts. Students can receive a Spotify premium account, which offers a wide library of ad-free and downloadable music and a limited commercial plan from Hulu for the low price of $4.99 per month. Take advantage of this if you enjoy listening to music and streaming videos in your free time.

ADOBE: Adobe offers students up to 60 percent off on Creative Cloud Apps. If you are someone who does a lot of photo editing, video production or media project creation, you can gain access to Adobe Photoshop, Premiere Pro and InDesign for $19.99 a month. Pay up front by Aug. 31 to get your first month free.

SQUARESPACE: Having a web presence is more important now than ever, and students looking to create their own personal or business websites should check out Squarespace. Squarespace is an easy-to-use website building platform that offers students a 50 percent discount off the first year of their subscription. Use this discount to increase your internet profile.

AMAZON PRIME: Looking to order a new bedding set? Trying to find your textbooks for this year? Really enjoy online shopping? Amazon Prime gives students a 6-month free trial when they register with their university email account. The service is then 50 percent off after the trial ends. It includes free two-day shipping on select items, as well as access to Prime Video, Prime Photo and Prime Music.

FEDEX: The next time you need to ship something, remember FedEx. The nationwide shipping service offers students 20 percent off package shipping and 30 percent off document shipping when they show their ID.

DOCKERS: If you’re looking to improve your wardrobe this school year, go online to Dockers’ website and register for an account with your University email. Students receive a 20 percent discount and free shipping on their first order when they sign up. Dockers then gives students a 20 percent discount on every order after that.

AMTRAK: The next time you’re planning on travelling somewhere in the country, consider taking an Amtrak train. With running lines that span the entire country, Amtrak offers students 15 percent off ticket prices with their student ID.

FOREVER 21: Trying to find discounted, stylish clothes for the new school year? Forever 21 offers a student discount online or in stores. Receive 10 percent off your purchase when you show or use your student ID.

FOOD

CHIPOTLE: Do you love Chipotle? Is Chipotle your life? Show your student ID when you buy your next burrito bowl (or any menu item) to get a free small drink.

SUBWAY: Subway offers students a 10 percent discount off any purchase with a student ID. The next time you’re walking home down Wooster Street at 2 a.m., remember to stop into Subway to get your discounted sandwich.

WAFFLE HOUSE: Get your next order of waffles discounted when you visit Waffle House with your student ID. The restaurant offers students a 10 percent discount on their orders.

CHICK-FIL-A: Get this student discount every day but Sunday. Chick-fil-A gives students a free small drink with every purchase when they show their student ID.

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Tips on clearing your backlog

Jacob Clary | Sports Editor

One of my biggest faults as a person who loves video games is that I have a massive backlog.

I love playing video games, but I have trouble finishing and sometimes even starting a game. I buy way too many games. The amount of games I need to finish keeps getting exponentially bigger. Even games I wanted to play, I would get through part of the game, and then another game would release, and I’d move on to that. It’s an endless cycle.

I’m sure other people have this problem. However, I have started to whittle down my backlog little by little. This past summer, I went from over 90 games on it to just under 40 this past week. I have followed a few tips that have made it much easier to get that number down.

One of the first things I did when I started to try and get the backlog number down was to catalogue all the games I still needed to finish. I started to use a website called Backloggery, where I added all the games I owned and put whether I still had to beat them or if I had already finished them. Being able to see the amount of games I still had to beat actually on a screen made it easier to put it into perspective.

The next step I took was to try and always finish a game I started. It is easy to play multiple games at one time, but that will also make it easier to buy another game after finishing one. I have started to play only one game at a time, and this has made it much easier for my backlog size to get smaller.

I’ve also started to adopt a policy where I don’t buy a game until I beat a game, so my backlog never actually grows in number. This is an easy tip if you have a lot of small indie games which you haven’t beat yet. Another tip I have is for those pesky open-world games and RPGs. Many of the games I still have to beat are from these genres and that is because I love doing side missions. Usually when I play games I try to do all the side missions before beating the main story, and that will sometimes double or even triple a game’s playtime.

I have started mainlining these kinds of games unless I really enjoy the game, such as the new “God of War.” This has allowed me to still enjoy those kinds of games, but also beat them in a timely manner.

For some people, their backlog is something to marvel at; the more games to beat the better their backlog. Some see it like football, whereas others see it like golf. The less games you have to beat, I see it like golf. If you follow these steps, you will see your backlog get smaller in no time.
Kuhlin Center green design recognized

By Brionna Scebbi | Copy Chief

Less than a year after receiving national recognition for its modernity, the Kuhlin Center is the recipient of another award.

The U.S. Green Building Council honored the home of the University's School of Media and Communication for its green design. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design gave the recently renovated building a gold certification for earning 62 out of 110 points for various sustainability features.

Key design aspects recognized by the LEED Scorecard include recycled and regional materials, power from renewable resources and sustainable structural elements.

Beyond the criteria of LEED certification, the Kuhlin Center also upholds sustainable landscaping due to the support of the University's Student Green Initiatives Fund.

RECYCLED AND REGIONAL MATERIALS
The Kuhlin Center earned 10 out of 14 points for the Materials and Resources portion of the Scorecard.

Of all the materials used for the building, 24.96 percent were made from recycled materials.

Materials are considered regional when they're "products that have been manufactured and extracted within 500 miles of the project site," according to the LEED Certification Review Report. The Kuhlin Center's regional materials made up 21.89 percent of the total building products.

GREEN POWER
Green power, the use of renewable energy resources, was another important criteria for the Gold certification.

LEED expects Gold certified buildings to "engage in at least two-year renewable energy contract to provide at least 35 percent of the building's electricity from renewable sources," according to the 2009 edition of the LEED Reference Guide for Green Building Design and Construction.

Additionally, the lighting of the building meets green criteria.

"Lighting controls are provided for 91.53 percent of building occupants and 100 percent of shared multi-occupant spaces to enable adjustments that meet needs and preferences," according to the LEED Certification Review Report.

Not only do the controls of lighting reduce energy use, the windows allow significant amounts of sunlight in many of the Kuhlin Center's rooms, eliminating the need for lights to be on in every room all day long.

The heating and cooling system in the Kuhlin Center is also a green use of power. The building's Daikin VRV system "uses variable refrigerant flow control," which means people using spaces in the Kuhlin Center can control the climate of the particular room they're in, according to the Office of Campus Sustainability's website. This separation of climate control in the Kuhlin Center leads to a decrease in energy use compared to having a constant setting for the entire building.

SUSTAINABLE STRUCTURE
The reflective roof contributes to the Kuhlin Center's green design.

"100 percent of the building roof surface has a Solar Reflectance Index meeting the credit requirements," according to the LEED Certification Review Report.

This design choice prevents a heat island effect. Heat islands are "thermal gradient differences between developed and under-developed areas," according to the LEED Reference Guide.

In a town such as Bowling Green, areas with a concentration of buildings are significantly hotter than surrounding rural areas. This causes higher energy use and increased emissions, according to the EPA. Green or reflective roofs are used to decrease this effect.

NATIVE AND ORGANIC LANDSCAPING
The University's Student Green Initiatives Fund supported a plan to fill the beds in front of and behind the Kuhlin Center with native plant-life and "a natural soil with compost/other organic ingredients to provide nutrients for plant growth," according to the placard in front of the Kuhlin Center.

This effort created a more sustainable environment surrounding the building, preventing the use of additional water or fertilizer to maintain the landscaping.

In March of this year, the Kuhlin Center was given the American School & University magazine Outstanding Design for Renovation/Modernization award. The magazine lauded the building's design as green as well as modern.
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Campus Fest provides something for everyone. It would be surprising if a student walked away without getting involved in something.

To help students navigate the sprawl of activity, we are providing you this map of where vendors will be available on the BGSU campus. This map will also show where each organization's table is located. The tables are also grouped by zone to keep organizations with similar goals near each other.

The intention of this map way to help folks navigate Campus Fest better. Organizations participate in Campus Fest to recruit, share information, and get input from current students. Students will have new opportunities for students to get involved as they explore their interests.

A special feature of the University's Campus Fest is the combination of on and off campus vendors. By bringing these organizations out to the same place, Campus Fest gives students a view of what the University has to offer.

“Students can expect to see a breadth of opportunities and special displays that make it a highly interactive and engaging event. With so many new organizations and opportunities arising this year, new and current students can find something that interests them.

This is one of the biggest events that happens on campus, and with the event taking place at the beginning of the year, it is a great time for students to explore their interest and get involved. In addition to various local businesses in attendance, the BGSU Career Center will also have representatives from different organizations who are interested in talking with students.

With registration for the event at full capacity, students will be able to find a variety of vendors that might just catch their interest.

“Campus Fest provides something for everyone. It would be surprising if a student walked away without getting involved in something.”

This yearly event is intended to attract students to new organizations, while also offering free food and free items.
Zone 2 is located at the union oval surrounded by the Bowen-Thompson Student Union, Hayes Hall, and Eppler.

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- Cultural
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- Bowling Green Falcon Media - The BG News
- Campus 2 Campus Ministry
- Campus Outreach
- Campus Sustainability
- Catholic Falcon Community
- Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (CURS)
- Child Rescue Coalition BGSU Chapter
- Cinemark (OFF CAMPUS)
- Circle K International
- College of Arts and Sciences
- College of Health and Human Services
- College Republicans
- Collegiate 4-H at Bowling Green State University
- Community Learning Centers (OFF CAMPUS)
- Counseling Center/Big Red Chair
- Cross Cultural Cultural Connection
- Cru
- Dance Marathon
- Delta Delta Delta Pre-Dental Association
- Delta Sigma Pi
- Department of World Languages (French House/Maison Française)
- Dept of Sociology
- Domino's Pizza (OFF CAMPUS)
- Environmental Action Group (EAG)
- Falcon Fishing Club
- Falcon Outfitters
- Falcon Swing Society
- Food Recovery Network
- Get Inspired (OFF CAMPUS)
- Graduate College
- H2O Church
- Honors Student Association
- iFetchU, LLC (OFF CAMPUS)
- Information Technology Services (ITS)
- International Programs and Partnerships (Education Abroad)
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- NIOT/BGHRC
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- Psychological Services Center
- QDOBA Mexican Eats (OFF CAMPUS)
- Queens of Color
- SICSIC
- Sigma Tau Delta
- Student Employment Services
- Student Neuroscience Association
- Supercab (OFF CAMPUS)
- The Four Corners Center (OFF CAMPUS)
- The Way Campus Fellowship
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- Young Life
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**Defensive mistakes lead to 3-2 loss**

**Jacob Clary | Sports Editor**

The Men’s soccer team lost 3-2 Saturday night to the Northern Kentucky University Norse. The Falcons conceded the three goals first, with one of them happening in the first half and the next two in the second. However, the Falcons almost pulled the game back with two goals in the last five minutes. A shot almost created a third goal, but it went just wide of the net. Both of the goals for the Falcons were scored by defender Ebenezer Ackon.

“I’m disappointed in conceding three goals,” Falcons coach Eric Nichols said after the game. “I think we’re a way better defensive team than we are tonight, and if we can’t defend better, we’re going to have a hard time this year.”

Even though the team lost, the team could take away points from the result. Many of the mistakes on defense were mental and could be easily cleaned up in training or later in the season. Almost none of it was due to being less talented than Northern Kentucky. The Falcons’ defense was good at covering set pieces and worked well as a team. Moe Mustafa and Ackon did especially well at defending during the match.

The Falcons were the better team out on the field in many ways other than the score. They had more chances, with 13 total shots over the Norse’s nine, as well as three more corner kicks than them. The Falcons were knocking on the door the whole match, and once they scored, they looked for the floodgates to open. That is what started to happen, but not soon enough for the Falcons salvage a point.

Coach Nichols did see some good things from the game. “I think the guys never quit,” he said. “The ability to push, the character was there. I think the quality was there, too. I think we were actually the better soccer team out there.”

The Falcons were down for almost the whole match, and their ability to almost come back from a three-goal deficit shows they are mentally capable of performing at a high level at any point in a match.

The Falcons are talented both at the offensive and defensive sides of the ball. The challenge for them this season will be to ensure every player comes to the match prepared and ready to contribute. This team is capable of winning many of its games and playing at a very high level. It will just take time for things to come together.

The team’s next match is Tuesday at Penn State against the Nittany Lions.

**Volleyball struggles in preseason tournament**

**Zane Miller | Sports Reporter**

The Bowling Green Falcons volleyball team struggled in their first games of the season at the Purdue Mortar Board Premier tournament in West Lafayette, Indiana. The team lost to the Tulsa Golden Hurricane and the Purdue Boilermakers 3-0 in both matches on Friday before falling to the Wofford Terriers 3-0 on Saturday.

The first Friday afternoon match started with Tulsa taking the first game 25-21. Sophomore middle blocker Katie Kidwell led the Falcons offense with five kills. Tulsa went on to win the second game 25-12, though senior middle blocker Madeline Brandewie led the Falcons offense with three kills. While the team had a strong effort in the third game, with Kidwell getting six kills, Tulsa would hang on to win 25-22 and take the match 3-0.

“We are very disappointed at the outcome of our opening weekend,” Tomic said. “We faced three tough teams that challenged us in different parts of the game. They exposed our weaknesses, but also showcased some of our strengths on which we will continue to build. We will learn from these failures and I believe they will make us stronger and better in the long run.”

The Falcons will look to get their first win of the season Tuesday night against the Oakland Golden Grizzlies.
The 2018 football season is days away from starting, and excitement is brewing. Many Bowling Green fans are gearing up to support the Falcons this year as they fight through the Mid-American Conference.

The MAC is one of the most competitive football conferences in the nation, with a different team winning the conference championship every year since the 2011-12 season.

In the Eastern division, the Ohio Bobcats enter the year as heavy favorites to win both the division crown and conference championship after just missing out on the championship game last season. The Bobcats have not had a losing record since 2008 and has the conference’s leading offense, scoring an average of 39.1 points per game last year. Running back A.J. Ouellette and quarterback Nathan Rourke return, in addition to the league’s top offensive line and wide receiver corps.

With only a couple of holes to fill on defense, Frank Solich’s team looks poised to end a fifty year conference title drought.

While Ohio is the favorite to win the East division, the Miami University RedHawks and Buffalo Bulls will likely battle for second place. Miami returns as one of the most experienced defensive units in the conference with eight starters from last year’s team. It also sees the return of a healthy Gus Ragland under center, which should help the RedHawks bounce back from last year’s 5-7 record.

The Buffalo Bulls return with one of the best quarterback-receiver duos in the conference in Tyree Jackson and Anthony Johnson, who led the conference in receiving yards and touchdowns last season. With a defense that returns six starters and gave up 24.8 points per game last season, Buffalo could make some noise this year.

Akron, last year’s conference runner-up, will be hard-pressed to return to the title game. Their offense lost a lot of major pieces from last season, which is not a good development for a team that picked up four of its seven wins by 10 points or less.

With trips to Buffalo and Ohio and non-conference games against the Nebraska Cornhuskers and Northwestern Wildcats, the Zips will have a hard time building on last year’s success. Bowling Green will look to improve on a poor season, leaning on the sophomore pair of quarterback Jarret Doege and running back Andrew Clair.

New defensive coordinator Carl Pelini will have to improve on a defense that gave up 58 points a game last year for the Falcons to make any significant improvement in the standings. Kent State will spend this year developing under new coach Sean Lewis, but the Golden Flashes -- who have only won more than six games once in the last 30 years -- will likely finish at the bottom of the division again.

In the Western division, the Toledo Rockets return as conference champions looking to build on last season’s success. Losing quarterback Logan Woodside, the 2017 MAC Offensive Player of the Year, to the NFL will hurt the Rockets, but they return with a good running back group and a top-flight receiving corps.

Toledo had a worse record on the road than at home last season, which won’t help when they travel to DeKalb, Illinois, to take on the division’s other top team, the Northern Illinois Huskies. The Huskies have dominated the west this decade, winning six of the last eight division titles. They return with six defensive starters on a unit that held opposing teams to just 22 points per game last season.

The West’s three Michigan teams will likely battle it out for third place in the division. The Eastern Michigan Eagles are an interesting team to watch, with all seven of their losses coming on 12 points or less last year. Eastern Michigan losing quarterback Brogan Roback to the NFL and HBO’s “Hard Knocks” will hurt, but Iowa graduate transfer Tyler Wiegers will have a chance as quarterback to take control of the offense.

The Western Michigan Broncos will be struggling to succeed if their defense doesn’t come together after losing seven starters from last year’s team, including standout cornerback Sam Beal, to the NFL Supplemental Draft. One of the best offensive line units in the conference and a solid group of running backs should help the Broncos on offense.

The Central Michigan Chippewas return most of their defense that gave up 27.5 points per game last season, but must replace former quarterback Shane Morris. The development of sophomore quarterback Tony Poljan will be crucial. Rounding out the division are the Ball State Cardinals, who look to take an incremental step forward this season after losing all eight conference games last season.

The return of quarterback Riley Neal and running back James Gilbert should help an anemic offense that only scored 17.9 points per game last season. However, improving a defense that gave up a conference-high 40.7 points per game last year will be what decides the Cardinals’ season.
500 University students attend Meijer Mania

By Abby Shifley | Campus Editor

Meijer Mania ensued for incoming students — setting off a night full of music, games, contests and back-to-school shopping.

The University had more than 500 incoming freshmen amidst the mania Thursday night at the Bowling Green Meijer. This is the eleventh year Meijer has partnered with the University to welcome incoming students to the event, Meijer corporate communications manager Joe Hirschmugl wrote in an email.

The event at the Bowling Green Meijer had a number of activities for students to participate in. A “planking” competition offered the best planker a $25 Meijer gift card. Students also had the opportunity to win tickets to enter in a raffle. The more tickets a student won, the higher his or her chances were of winning the final prize.

Students could win tickets by playing cornhole and “StrikeAlright!” or taking pictures in a photo booth. A DJ was also playing music throughout the night, and employees offered students hot dogs and a variety of free samples.

Mackenzie Combs, Ryleigh Schacht and Michaela Rhoades are all freshmen who met Wednesday night and attended Meijer Mania together. All three students live on the same floor of McDonald Hall. Combs said she got quite a few school supplies at Meijer Mania, including notebooks and folders.

“And you can never have enough command hooks!” Combs said.

“I feel like I’m in a Knart commercial!” Schacht said.

“It’s like shopping in a club!” Rhoades said. The three students are familiar with the retail store; Schacht said she lived across from a Meijer in her hometown. But, Schacht said, she likes the layout of the Bowling Green Meijer more because it’s a lot bigger than the one in her hometown. Schacht joked that she’ll probably go shopping at Meijer every other day throughout the school year, and Combs said she’d come back once or twice a week.

Owen Davison, Josh Mitchell and Cinque Brown are all freshmen who met for the first time Thursday night. Davison and Mitchell were riding RipStiks through Meijer’s aisles and Brown was trying out a skateboard.

“I’m thinking of buying a RipStik. My feet hurt from walking,” Davison said.

Through September, Meijer stores will welcome 45,000 students from 19 different colleges. In total, the retailer hosts 22 events, each designed to help students have fun and accomplish their last-minute back-to-school shopping.

In an email, Meijer’s senior director of sponsorships and promotions Cathy Cooper said.

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Meijer's annual tradition of throwing in-store events for incoming students has been going on for more than 15 years, wrote Hirschmugl. The retailer's leading shopping season—back-to-school/college—is an $82.8 billion industry, according to the National Retail Federation.
University alumni reminisce on Harshman

Abby Shifley | Campus Editor

The University is missing one of its most recognizable landmarks. Before its demolition this summer, Harshman Quadrangle had been at the corner of Mercer Street and East Wooster Street for nearly 54 years. Harshman was one of the University’s largest residence halls, paralleled by only the nearly identical, Kreischer. Harshman held many students; therefore, it held many memories for University alumni.

University alumna, Jenny Hartman, stayed in Harshman for two years, from 2009-2011. She served on the hall council both years and was an RA her sophomore year. While serving on hall council, Hartman helped coordinate Harshman’s homecoming parade float.

“I absolutely loved my time at BG. It was such a great place and such an awesome community,” Hartman wrote in a Facebook message. “Living in harshman [sic] provided me with a great community and sense of belonging. Some of my best friends from college lived there, too.”

Hartman said Residence Life was the biggest part of her college existence, and she “lived and breathed” for the University department.

Kat Fish, University alumna, stayed in Harshman her freshman year starting in Fall 2002. She went by “Katie” back then and had two other friends named Katie. The three of them and their friend Bethany all lived in Harshman and spent lots of time together during that year.

“I lived out of state, so I knew absolutely nobody,” Fish said. Even though she arrived in Ohio all the way from Virginia, Fish found Harshman’s atmosphere very welcoming.

“Our doors were never shut,” Fish said. She and her three friends lived across the hall from each other and got along very well from the beginning. In 2002, Fish’s floor was coed, with female students on one side of the floor and male students on the other. Despite the separation, Fish said she also got to spend time with a bunch of guys, which added to the welcoming atmosphere.

Fish was recently in the wedding of one of her friends from Harshman—so her friendships made in the residence hall have lasted over the years.

Another alumnus, Chris Dawson, spent his freshman year in Harshman back in 1987. Dawson wrote in a Facebook message: the residence hall was an “interesting place.” The rooms were very small, so renting a bed loft was important to make the space more comfortable. Dawson said the rooms were so hot, they had to keep the windows open even in the winter.

However, despite the hall’s flaws, Dawson met friends in Harshman who he is friends with to this day—as well as the food was good most days.

“It was nice going down to the Galley to get a cheesy garlic bread and milkshake late at night and hang with everyone from the four buildings,” Dawson said.

The location of Harshman was not ideal for Dawson, because it was a good distance away from most of campus. He had to learn how to hustle to class in the morning.

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Rapid Fired Pizza debuts self-pour beer

By Paul Garbarino  |  Managing Editor

Rapid Fired Pizza's Bowling Green location will be the first restaurant in Ohio to install a system that allows customers to pour their own beer.

Peter Wiley, director of marketing for Rapid Fired Pizza's franchising, worked and partnered with iPourIt Inc., a company that collaborates with clients on installing their patented self-pouring services.

Before using the iPourIt machines, patrons open a tab by presenting a credit card and driver's license to the operator to be scanned. They are assigned an electronic wristband or card and are free to pour up to 32 ounces of beer, 12 ounces of wine or any combination of the two. Customers can browse various beverage selections by viewing iPourIt's "Taplet," a digital screen located on top of every tap. Each screen includes information such as beverage name, type, brewer, description, ABV, IBU, price per ounce and more. A larger digital menu board is also available that displays the same information for every selection, all in one screen.

Once patrons make a decision, they hold their wristband up to the logo in the lower right corner of the Taplet. Then, a green light appears indicating pouring is available. Patrons pour as little or as much as they like within their limit. The tap is then closed and the screen shows how many ounces were poured and how many remain.

Customers have the choice to pour from as many taps as they choose, up to the ounce limit. Once they reach the limit, iPourIt technology automatically instructs them to visit a staff member for additional ounces. Staff can add 24 more ounces of beer from any one of the Taplets or from the iPourIt management workstation.

When the customers are finished, a wristband is scanned, their credit card is charged and they receive their receipts. Any food purchases can also be combined on this transaction.

"It allows us to increase the amount of beer and wine we're able to sell," said general manager Ned Dibble. "And we don't need a bartender; we don't need all of that oversight. We just make sure they have an ID, give them a bracelet, and off they go."

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"If I go to a bar, I'm pretty much just going to buy a pint of something, and I may not know whether or not I'm going to like it," Wiley said. "But with the self-pour system, I can pour an ounce to try something and then pour a pint if I like it. And you don't have to wait on a bartender."

"It turns our shop into a watering hole where people can come in and hangout, grab a pizza and try some beers," he added. "It'd be good for the local breweries in town, too, because we can get them on draft versus a bottle."

Rapid Fired Pizza is currently awaiting permitting approval, but the company hopes to have its 18 tap self-pour beer wall operational on the store's birthday, Sept. 25. Of the 18 taps, the pizzeria plans to have at least half of the beer selections be local Ohio brewery drinks in addition to more popular choices. The pizzeria first obtained its beer license...
Rapid Fired Pizza has over 20 selections of bottled beer.

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in February through an extensive legal pro-
cess with state and local governments. Wiley
said he is hoping this new change will further
enhance the beloved beer and pizza meal
combination.

"After seeing the bottles they sell on bottle
here, I'm excited to come here more often
to try beer and pizza, because they're such
a good combo," Ryan Zimcosky, a senior at
the University, said. "But once they get this
in, that'll be really cool. This place is already
a popping."

Rapid Fired Pizza is one of the fastest-grow-
ing chains in Ohio and the nation. The
Bowling Green store opened last year and is
located on 852 S. Main St.
University welcomes diversity

Meredith Siegel | Forum Editor

There are many organizations and departments tabling at the Multicultural Welcome Event. All students are welcome, but “the goal is to invite new students in particular to see what resources are available to them,” Sheila Brown, associate director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, said.

Brown also said many “majority” students assume this event is for minority or marginalized identities.

“We want to expose majority students in general to ways they can be more global. We want to get students who identify in different ways; the point is to become global citizens,” she said.

Women Everywhere Believe
WEBelieve is a student organization dedicated to ensuring all women “will believe in their power to change the world,” according to the group’s OrgSync page.

World Student Association
The World Student Association is a student group that aims to create relationships and dialogues between people of all backgrounds through activities.

Undergraduate Student Government
USG hears concerns raised by students and works to find solutions by discussing the issues with representatives of campus life.

Voices at BGSU
Voices is a student led choir that focuses on spirituals but performs a variety of music. Along with performing they hold events and do community service.

International Studies Network
ISN focuses on International Studies students to promote and develop their education.

Artists Reaching Out
ARO is a faith-based organization that focuses on helping student artists grow intellectually, socially and spiritually.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.
Zeta Phi Beta is a sorority and social organization that focuses on being as involved with the community as possible, as well as sisterhood and womanhood.

Queer Trans Student Union
QTSU is an organization focused on supporting the LGBTQ+ community and its allies through meetings and events.

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“... the ones I still keep in touch with have all turned out perfectly respectable.”

— Chris Dawson —
University alumnus

Dawson also said he had lots of fun in Harshman—although some of the fun activities were a little odd. Near the end of the semester, some people in his hall pulled a mattress into the hallway and would run down the hall trying to see how far and high they could bounce.

Another time, Dawson walked into the communal bathroom to find one of his neighbors sitting in a lawn chair and blasting all four showers with hot water—allegedly trying to cure a hangover. Another neighbor decided to practice his golfing skills in the hallway, putting some impressive dents in the metal plates covering the windows.

Dawson said, “in spite of this, we all managed to pass that year, and the ones I still keep in touch with have all turned out perfectly respectable, in spite of our fun back then.”

Harshman bricks are on sale for students and alumni who want to keep a piece of the building with them. The funds collected by the campaign will support a book reward for Students of Color Mentoring, Aiding, Retaining and Teaching Program, according to the website for the Office of Residence Life. Hartman, Fisher and Dawson all are interested in purchasing a brick but haven’t yet because they didn’t know about the campaign until recently. Those who want to purchase a brick can have it shipped to their home at no additional cost, or they can pick it up Homecoming Weekend, which is Oct. 12-14.

Alumna Kat Fish poses outside of Harshman with her hallmates in 2002.
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Center for Women and Gender Equity
Formerly the Women’s Center, this center provides a space and many resources for people of all genders.

National Council of Negro Women Inc.
NCNW focuses on uplifting African American women through leading, advocating and unifying.

Kaze No Daichi Taiko
This organization is a drumming group that performs a form of Japanese drumming called kumi daiko. They learn and perform everything from traditional to rock and roll music.

Move for Your Mood
This group gives presentations on exercise to various groups around campus, focusing on interests and fitness level of each group.

Cross-Cultural Conversation Connection
CCCCC connects domestic and international students for small-group conversations in an effort to develop a deeper cultural understanding.

Russian Club
This club holds meetings and events dedicated to sharing history, language and other aspects of Russian culture.

TRIO
This program focuses on supporting first-generation college students and others to help them succeed in college-level academics.

Campus 2 Campus Ministry
This organization focuses on prayer, preaching and praise. It aims to provide a welcoming environment.

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