DEAR STUDENTS:

Duquesne University has a comprehensive security network in place that includes its own state-certified police force, security cameras, emergency phones, secure entry into residence halls, safety escorts and other measures to maintain a safe living and learning environment.

In the aftermath of the senseless incident that occurred on September 17, Duquesne has stepped up security measures to help assure the continued safety and well-being of all students. These actions are currently underway:

- Upgrades of existing campus surveillance cameras
- $250,000 allocation for additional permanent state-certified police officers and certified security guards
- Additional campus bike patrols
- Additional parking garage patrol vehicle
- Two new mobile walk-through metal detectors and five metal detector wands
- Formation of an ad-hoc Security Review Committee comprising students, faculty and administrators and led by a University board member to discuss further security recommendations for the campus

The Office of Student Life will continue to inform students of further developments and activities undertaken to maintain campus safety.

Yours sincerely,

Executive Vice President for Student Life

MOST ACADEMICALLY COMPETITIVE FRESHMAN CLASS in DU HISTORY

More than 1,325 new freshmen enrolled for Fall 2006. Based on high school grades, standardized test scores and extracurricular activities, this freshman class was the best academically-prepared and selective in Duquesne history. Our new students were selected from more than 5,200 applicants, and they represent 28 states and 14 foreign countries.

Our new freshmen and their parents selected Duquesne for important reasons such as our long history and mission of serving students, academic quality, range of academic offerings, affordability due to scholarship and financial aid programs, high retention and graduation rates, location, our ability to prepare students for advanced education and the quality of our student life experience. A record setting 91 percent reside in one of our modern Living Learning Centers. Additionally, over 10 percent of our new students have an immediate family member who also graduated from Duquesne.

Civility: Community Matters

The Duquesne University community is about to embark on a campaign to promote awareness of civility and responsible citizenship. Civility is defined in many ways and includes being courteous, respectful, civic-minded, caring and honest to name a few.

Students, faculty, staff and administrators from a variety of areas are meeting to plan and make suggestions to student organizations and departments for possible programs and activities that can be planned around this theme. Ideas include an essay contest on civility, a good deeds day, a poster contest, care packages to soldiers, environmental awareness/recycling activities and community service.

Duquesne University has long practiced and promoted civility on a number of levels. Some of the current programs offered include community service activities in a variety of locations, voter registration conducted by the students in the Civitas Learning community, and the newly proposed “One Book” program conducted by the Gumberg Library in conjunction with the Carnegie libraries.

Watch for more details for this University campaign and remember... *Civility costs nothing and buys everything* — Mary Worley Montagu
President Dougherty RECOGNIZES ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS at CONVOCATION

On Friday, Sept. 8, Duquesne University President Charles J. Dougherty recognized schools and individuals at his annual State of the University Address.

“I’m so pleased with the efforts of faculty and staff to serve God by serving students,” Dougherty said. “Thank you for your commitment to excellence in all you do.” To read the complete text of Dr. Dougherty’s speech or to view a streaming video, visit the online Newsroom at www.newsroom.duq.edu and click on the release of September 11.

RANGOS STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD

Sarah Brett and Lori Katawczik were among 17 Rangos School of Health Sciences students who took advantage of the school’s first official academic study-abroad program last May. The student group, led by Dean Gregory Frazer and Physician Assistant Chair Bridget Calhoun, traveled throughout Hungary and South Africa for three weeks, learning how health care practices differ around the world.

GARAGE becomes GREENSPACE

What once was Citiline Parking Garage was demolished over the summer, clearing space for another green spot to enjoy on campus. When work is completed, the garage turned greenspace will be known as Brottier Commons.

BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE

The Student Recreation Center project has taken shape over the summer, with a freestanding pedestrian bridge, cranes and heavy equipment in the area where University and city officials turned over the first shovels of dirt last March. The 115-foot pedestrian bridge, already branded with Duquesne “D’s,” will connect the heart of campus to the future 125,000-square-foot multipurpose recreation and retail center. The massive structure now under construction, which sits 81 feet above Forbes Avenue, marks the first stage of a development to serve both the campus and its neighbors.
NEW FACES in OLD PLACES

There are several new faces among key University departments that students frequently use:

Student Life welcomed Rahmon Hart as director of Duquesne University’s Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA). Hart is charged with educating the campus community with regard to multicultural issues and addressing the specific needs of students of color. New Residence Life staff includes Resident Directors Stacey Smith and Tim Wiley, Assistant Resident Director Erik Trembulak, and Sarah Clegg, DU CARES Coordinator. The DU CARES Program sponsors, organizes and presents a variety of information and services to promote the health and safety of students, faculty and staff.

Kimberly J. Hoeritz is the new registrar and is responsible for all aspects of the registration and student records processes, including course and classroom scheduling, student registration, student records management, commencement and providing transcripts.

Mary Ellen Baney has been appointed director of human resource management at Duquesne University. Among her many responsibilities is overseeing student employment.

Two new deans were also named. Dr. J. Douglas Bricker has been appointed dean of the Mylan School of Pharmacy. Bricker joined the Duquesne faculty in 1985 and had served as interim dean of the School of Pharmacy since 2005.

Dr. Dorothy E. Bassett has been named dean of the School of Leadership and Professional Advancement (SLPA) at Duquesne University. She had been serving as interim dean since Oct. 1, 2005.

Student HEALTH INSURANCE

Duquesne University instituted student health insurance on a "hard waiver" basis which means all full-time students are required to have health insurance. If not on a parent policy which provides coverage for the student, the student must show proof of coverage or accept the competitive University policy. This hard waiver policy is the same as many other universities. Information on the student health insurance program may be obtained from Paul King at x4895 or Genny Hughes at x6677.

eBill PAYMENTS

At Duquesne University, student billing is a simple, convenient and paperless process. Monthly announcements are sent to the student’s official Duquesne University email address, informing them that the eBill is available. To access this eBill, you must log on to Web Advisor, www.webadvisor.duq.edu and choose the eBill—ePayment—Account Inquiry option.

GUMBERG LIBRARY NEWS

New Quiet Study Zones in Gumberg Library
Floors 1, 2, 3 are now designated Quiet Study Zones

Cell Phone Use in Gumberg Library
Use cell phones in stairwells, 4th floor hallway by vending machines, and outside of the building. Thank you for being courteous and respecting others.

Writing Center @ your library
Did you ever think you would meet with a Writing Center consultant without visiting the Writing Center? Services are now available in the Gumberg Library. Any student can use this service.
When: Tuesday and Thursdays, 6–8 p.m.
Where: New Book Area, 4th floor, Gumberg Library
Visit www.ltc.writingcenter.duq.edu/ to make an appointment.

Gumberg Library & Google Scholar
What can I do with Google Scholar?
• Use a single search engine to find the literature of many disciplines
• Locate peer-reviewed journals articles, books, and other scholarly resources
• Easily connect to the Gumberg Library’s 12,000+ electronic journals
• Try it in addition to other library research databases

How can I get to Google Scholar?
• Go to scholar.google.com.
• First timers might need to set “Scholar Preferences” for Duquesne University.
• See www.library.duq.edu/google for more information.
One of the first programs organized each year is the Freshman Flag Football League, which usually begins shortly after Labor Day. This year has proven to have one of the largest numbers of participants ever with more than 420 freshman students comprising 16 Women's teams and 12 Men’s teams. The Women’s teams play on Sunday evenings and the Men’s on Wednesdays, which culminate in the Playoffs on October 18 and Championship on October 25. Congratulations are in order for the nearly one third of the Freshman Class who are already involved in this program on campus.

Intramurals are also a part of Greek Life at Duquesne and encourages healthy competition while bringing the Greek community closer together.
ISO AFRICAN WEEK
This fall, the International Student Organization (ISO) profiled the world's second largest continent—AFRICA, a unique and beautiful place where more than 1,000 languages are spoken! ISO events showcased the country's great history and culture with African food, art, music and dance.

SGA BUS LOOP
The Student Government Association Loop Bus FREE transportation service is available every Friday and Saturday night (except for holidays) from 7 p.m. - 3 a.m. A second bus was added this semester to better serve you! The bus will pick up students at the corner of Seitz & Magee St. by the SGA Loop Bus sign. Be sure to bring your Duquesne ID.

SCHEDULE:
BUS #1:
E. Carson & Smithfield St. (Station Square)
E. Carson & 15th St. (Tuscany Café)
E. Carson & 22nd St. (Carnegie Library)
Southside Works (Cheesecake Factory)

BUS #2:
Liberty Ave & 7th St. (Heinz Hall/Benedum Center)
The Waterfront (Loews Theatre)
Murray Ave. (Eat N’ Park & Giant Eagle)
Murray & Forward Ave. (Squirrel Hill Theatre)
Forbes Ave. (Original Hot Dog Shop)
Forbes & Morewood Ave. (Carnegie Mellon)

Please feel free to contact the Student Government Association at x6617 or sga@duq.edu. We'd love to hear your comments and suggestions!

WELCOME TO THE RED MASQUERS SEASON
The Duquesne University Red Masquers is proud to lay claim to being the oldest amateur theatre company in the city of Pittsburgh. Known as the ‘Red Masquers’ since 1914, the group traces its roots back to the late 1800’s when Duquesne first started to offer an education in dramatics.

FALL PRODUCTIONS INCLUDE:
Homeless: The Musical
October 12-14, & 19-21
World Premiere musical by Chris Dimond and Suzanne Polak

The Jeweler’s Shop
December 1&2
Written by Pope John Paul II

Premiere Performances: December 6-9
Student written, directed and produced one-acts.

The Pittsburgh Monologue Project
December 15 & 16

All shows are FREE with Duquesne ID, $6 for adults and $5 for students and seniors. Most shows begin at 8:00 p.m., and are located in the Peter Mills Auditorium in Rockwell Hall. Please call 412-396-6215 for reservations and inquiries.

A portion of the proceeds go to the Keenan-Lane Scholarship Fund, which will provide financial aid to talented Theater Arts students at Duquesne University.

For details, visit our Web site at www.dutheaterarts.com!

GREEK WEEK 2006
Greek Week 2006, October 8 -15, brought members of the fraternity and sorority communities together to raise money for the Greek Life Book Endowment Fund. Over the past ten years, Greek Week has raised more than $80,000 for local charities like the Friends of Danang, United Cerebral Palsy, World Vision, Inc., the Pittsburgh Children’s Homeless Fund, and the Make-a-Wish Foundation. This year’s events included the Chariot Race, Greek Games, a Blood Drive benefiting the Red Cross, The Greek God and Goddess Pageant, Greek Trivia, Greek Swimming Events, the Greek Mass and Parents Lunch, and the annual Greek Sing.
With the start of another school year, Duquesne athletics are well underway. This year, however, the fall sports teams have the Red and Blue Crew cheering them on from the sidelines. Under the guidance of Mark Geller and a student-run executive board, this organization will be working to increase school spirit on the Bluff. According to Ryan Witte, Director of PR and Marketing for the Red and Blue Crew, “We are very excited to see the large number of students show their support for Duquesne athletics.” The Red and Blue Crew currently has nearly 400 Duquesne student representatives and the numbers are sure to increase as the semester goes on.

The Red and Blue Crew hosted a tailgate prior to the Dukes’ first home football game. This first event, with the support of the Student Government Association, included face painting for all fans and food for Red and Blue Crew members. Plans are underway for both fall and spring athletic events on campus. GO DUKES!
WALK MILES FOR KIDS’ SMILES

Participants included (front to back rows) Diana Thomas, Cyndi Knis, Mary Wislotski, Jennifer Pfund, Ashley Bartell, Lauren Conway, Sarah Hvizdak, Kelly Furlman, Elizabeth Nelms, Julie Diorio, Danielle McGlashon, Erin McNerney, Evonne Federouch, Dr. Audrey Guskey, Erika Weber, Cora Perry, Haley Shibbly, Lyndsay Torok, Tori Fanto, Molly Wirth, Alexis Imler, Kristen Huffnegal, Sibhan Brady, Kristina Onori, Helen Beauchemin, Marilyn Berwick, Mari Miles, Christine Smith, Krista Hoebel, Sabrina Allen, Tara Mendenhall.

The sun was shining on the Bluff the day Gamma Phi Beta sponsored their 9th Annual Walk Miles for Kids Smiles. The three mile walk around the campus was held on September 9 with over 270 participants. $3,400 was raised which benefits the Children’s Institute. Everyone enjoyed food, prizes and tons of fun!

MAJOR FALL SEMESTER EVENTS

OCTOBER
- 12-14,19-21 Red Masquers Show “Homeless”
  - Rockwell Theater
- 14 College Bowl, 6th Floor Union
- 14 Greek Sing, Ballroom
- 18 DPC comedy Show with Kyle Cease, Comedian, Ballroom
- 21 Homecoming AutumnFest, Academic Walk
- 28-29 Freshman Parent Weekend,
  - Various Locations
- 31 Masquerade Ball, Ballroom

NOVEMBER
- 3-4 Siblings Weekend, Various Locations
- 5 Commuter Family Day, Chapel and Ballroom
- 7 Tamburitzans Perform On Campus, Ballroom
- 30 Light up Night, Ballroom

DECEMBER
- 1 Christmas Ball, Sheraton Station Square
- 16 Advent Midnight Mass, Chapel

Every Friday and Saturday - DPC Film Series, Falk Auditorium, Mellon Hall
Every Thursday - Destinta Movie Theater Trip
Every Tuesday through Saturday - Various Late Night Programs in Union Nitespot

For more details on any of the above events, visit www.studentactivities.duq.edu and click on the Activities Calendar.

FRESHMAN “SET THEIR SCENE” at Orientation

The 2006 Orientation took place from August 23-27, 2006. Allison Murtha and Megan Calvin did an outstanding job in planning, organizing and directing the program, and the Chairpersons and staff reflected their creativity, motivation, enthusiasm and direction.