

GOAL—Promote an inclusive community that values productive communication and diverse ideas and that demonstrates collaboration and cooperation

The senior staff in Student Affairs hosted colleagues from Purdue campuses in Fort Wayne, North Central and West Lafayette in a daylong dialogue on November 17. Topics of mutual interest were discussed, with each Vice Chancellor opening the session with campus highlights and challenges.

On Wednesday, November 19, 2008 Talent Search hosted an “Open House” event to showcase its commitment to advancing educational opportunity to the Calumet region. This event featured targeted break-out sessions, a panel discussion featuring Parent Advisory Board members, and an inspiring message from Dee Jones, PTA state liaison.

Student Support Services, in collaboration with the Lake County Transition Development Coalition, hosted its fifth annual Transition Conference at The Calumet Center in October. Over 350 area high school students, parents, and teachers from Lake County attended this event.

A Volunteer group of students is revising and restructuring the Student Government Association (SGA). To date, they have developed an Interim Student Government Association, an improved SGA website complete with up-to-date minutes and agendas, adopted a branding logo, and identified specific group members to serve on University policy-making committees. They are currently creating new by-laws and a new constitution.

New Student Orientation hosted an “It’s New to Me, Too” luncheon for new first year students to help them transition to the first semester of college. Participants included 91 students and 4 faculty speakers. A follow up event is planned for the spring semester.

The second annual Student Convocation drew nearly 2,000 members of the campus community to Founder’s Plaza on Thursday, August 28. Despite overcast skies and some light rain, the event was a success.

On Wednesday, September 10, the Junior Achievement Executive Board presented United Parcel Service’s Human Resources Recruiter Elba Amezcua with the individual “Above and Beyond Award.” Ten members of the Student Affairs staff joined UPS in working with children at Harding Elementary.

The Annual Report indicated that 24 of 30, or 80% of the objectives set by staff within Student Affairs, were achieved in 2007 – 08.

The Department of Housing and Residential Education collaborated with Athletics and Creative Services to support the men’s and women’s basketball teams. A poster-sized basketball schedule was designed for every resident in The University Village to remind them of game dates. In addition, a “Game Day” banner was printed and is posted at The University Village Service Desk on the day of home games.

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GOAL—Encourage the overall well-being of students

Student Wellness sponsored Alcohol Awareness Week and served over 250 non-alcoholic mocktails to students and staff.

A record attendance was set at this year's Fall Frolic 4-Mile Run and 1.5-Mile Fitness Walk, sponsored by the Fitness Center. Total number of participants in both events was 483 (new record), with 411 runners finishing the 4-mile run and 72 walkers completing the 1.5-mile fitness walk.

The Counseling Center administered a survey to its clients during the fall semester and found that, of the clients responding, 84% of the students agreed or strongly agreed that the work they were doing with their counselor was helping with their academic functioning and 59% agreed or strongly agreed that Counseling Services helped them with issues that enabled them to remain at the university.

Student Health Services, the Counseling Center, Wellness and Senior Nursing Students Capstone Course collaborated to launch a campus-wide smoking cessation campaign.

Faculty-Staff Wellness and Student Wellness collected 182 units of blood during the fall blood drive.

The Students in Crisis Prevention/Intervention Team developed an Involuntary Student Withdrawal Policy as a means to address the behavior of students who are an imminent danger to self and others. The students who are withdrawn through this policy do not meet the criteria for sanctioning under the *Regulations Governing Student Conduct*. This fall three students were withdrawn using this policy.

Campus Life and Dean of Students staff presented material about campus resources in twenty-eight Freshman Year Experience Classes.

Student Activities, the Counseling Center and Haven House (a shelter for abused women and children) sponsored **Domestic Violence Week** that included a week-long series of programs. Events included: testimonial speakers, the Silent Witness Project (which honors children of abused relationships), and the planting of a tree in Founder's Plaza in memory of victims and survivors of domestic violence.

GOAL—Enhance the educational experience through participation in holistic activities

Intramurals and Wellness teamed up to see if a healthy cookie could compete with a non-healthy cookie in the 2nd annual intramural baking contest.

Athletics staged its first "Midday Madness" to kick off the basketball season, with the support of Student Activities. Over 300 individuals participated in the event, at which the new athletic logos were unveiled and participants shot free throws for a chance to win a cup or t-shirt.

Career Services partnered with the Academic Learning Center to present **PUC's 2nd Annual Part-Time Job Fair**. It attracted 24 employers and approximately 250 students and community members to the Academic Learning Center.

Career Services conducted 283 resume reviews and 77 mock interviews with students and a total of 97 students opened a CareerTrax account, including uploading documents.

Twelve (12) Upward Bound students attended the MAEOPP Pre-College Student Leadership Conference in St. Charles, IL on October 24-26, 2008.

Student Activities, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and the International Student Office sponsored 29 *arts and cultural programs* for a total of 2,618 participants.

More than 100 students took advantage of opportunities to participate in off-campus activities. More than 50 students cheered as the Boilermakers beat Western Michigan on September 20. Forty-five students traveled to West Lafayette to participate in *The Feast of the Hunters Moon*, while 52 students went to Utica, Illinois to hike the Native American trails at Starved Rock State Park. Prime Outlets in Michigan City was another popular venue as 38 students shopped til they dropped the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Over 75 international students feasted on a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at University Village the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

GOAL—Inspire students to pursue lifelong learning

An alternative spring break program, Spring Break-*thru*, was established to provide students with an opportunity to reach out to the local, regional, and national communities. Students, accompanied by members of the faculty and Student Affairs staff, will provide service at a domestic violence shelter, assist in an historical restoration project, and aid in community clean-up in Hammond, IN, Fort Wayne, IN, and Houston, TX, respectively.

Five (5) McNair scholars were chosen to participate in the annual Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Program conference sponsored by Purdue University West Lafayette from October 31 – November 1, 2008.

Ninety-eight percent of students who attended the **Get S.E.T.** Fall 2008 workshops for student employees self-rated their knowledge and skills in the business skills topics presented as "good" or "excellent" after attending the workshops, compared to just 78 percent who rated themselves as having "good" or "excellent" knowledge and skills of the topics prior to attending.

Ninety-three percent of students who attended the **Inspired Leaders Series** in Fall 2008 self-rated their knowledge and skills in the leadership topics presented as "good" or "excellent" after attending the workshops, compared to just 64 percent who rated themselves as having "good" or "excellent" knowledge and skills of the topics prior to attending.