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Weekly Horoscopes

Kaylee Raines

September 20, 2021

This week marks the transition from Virgo to Libra season. On Sept. 22, the Sun will become aligned with the constellation Libra and mark the beginning of a new astrological phase.

ARIES

Aries, be careful that you do not get burnt out from your responsibilities or deny yourself the space you need to relax. The transition to Libra Sun will be in opposition with your Aries Sun beginning on the twenty-second so be mindful of any conflicting energy. Virgo season is notorious for its ability to help people focus, succeed and remain career-oriented but it is important to embrace more spontaneity and pleasure as you enter Libra season.

TAURUS

Taurus, you vibe well with Libra energy. Libra and Taurus both appreciate the finer, beautiful things in life and balance it with life's responsibilities. Use this transition to find more of a balance in your career so that you can truly achieve the balance you're seeking to experience.

GEMINI

Gemini, the transition to Libra season will come easily for you. As a fellow air-sign, Libra aligns with the energy of Gemini. Your challenge during Libra season is to maintain your focus. It is easy to get caught in your ways and lose track of goals when the energy is all in sync, so make sure to stay grounded and avoid distractions.

CANCER

Cancer, you embrace Libra season because it is a fellow cardinal sign that also values leadership and taking charge of situations. The lingering energy from Virgo season combined with the fresh vibes of Libra season will allow you to transition smoothly compared to most other signs. Maintain your momentum and focus and you will continue on the right path.

LEO

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Leo, you are ready for a change. The rigid, focused energy of Virgo is leading you to burnout but the whimsical and charming energy of Libra season is bringing forth the change you need. Prepare yourself for spontaneous nights out with friends and spending time with those you love. Libra season will force you to slow down and cherish those around you, providing relief to your overstimulated mind.

VIRGO

Virgo, you are in your element. The season has been yours for nearly a month and you are feeling refreshed and ready for the next challenges. Although Libra is more free-spirited and less defined as you, the energy will bring positive changes to your routine. Don't feel so tied down that you miss out on opportunities and experiences.

LIBRA

Libra, you have been struggling with the firm routines and expectations of Virgo season. You are a "go with the flow" type of person and the rigid demands of Virgo season have made you feel repressed. As the Sun enters your sign, release these restrictive thoughts and allow yourself to relax and separate yourself from the world for a bit. Escape into some art, music or creative activity that enables you to express yourself and relish in positive vibes.

SCORPIO

Scorpio, Libra season's energy challenges you to let go of your expectations and submit to the free-flowing energy of an air sign. Although you are water, flowing can be difficult for you because you like things to meet your expectations and guidelines. If something does not end up going your way, this can be difficult for you to accept. Use the flexible energy of Libra season to work on this aspect of yourself and become more easy-going and less worried about the things around you that are not under your control.

SAGITTARIUS

Sagittarius, you thrive when you are free to express yourself and be true to your inner self. Libra season is a time for you to feel that acceptance and freedom that you crave within. However, be mindful that you still have responsibilities and do not lose sight of maintaining a balance between your social life/fun activities and professional and financial obligations.

CAPRICORN

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Capricorn, you have been thriving with Virgo season. Being a fellow earth sign, Virgo season makes you feel stable and secure. However, the spontaneity and whimsical nature of Libra will present challenges to your routine. Don't stay in your comfort zone, Capricorn. Embrace Libra's loving, vibrant energy and make more time to do the things you truly love. Look for ways you can incorporate your passions into your work and Libra season will bring you the balance you are struggling to achieve.

AQUARIUS

Aquarius, you are reaching your breaking point in terms of feeling constrained/controlled. You can be professional, but you hate feeling like you have no say or that you cannot express your opinion. Lately, this has been occurring in your life. Rather than letting this control you, try to surround yourself with positive and open-minded people. You have amazing ideas; do not let close-minded people dim your shine. Libra season will bring that flowing, open air-sign energy in which you thrive- take advantage!

PISCES

Pisces, it is your time to shine! Creative Libra season inspires you to tap into your intuitive, whimsical nature. It is a great time for you to take on a new project because your innovation is at an all-time high. Get out there and share your work with the world!

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Events on Campus Week of Sept. 20
Alexis Wisler
September 20, 2021

Here is a list of events happening this week on campus that students can attend.

Monday, Sept. 20

11 a.m. | Alpha Xi Delta Women's Fraternity COB Events | Dunbar Library

5 p.m. | Abilities WrightChoice Mentoring Program | Online

7 p.m. | Collegiate eSports Club Wright State Raid | Millett 033

7 p.m. | Sigma Gamma Rho Hot Drinks and Hot Topics Event | Allyn 229

8:30 p.m. | Men's Club Basketball Tryouts | McLin Gym

8:30 p.m. | Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc Informational | Medical Sciences 125

Tuesday, Sept. 21

12 p.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Tabling | Student Union Upper Atrium

1:30 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 044

5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Group Running | Alumni Tower

7 p.m. | Zeta Tau Alpha Women's Fraternity COB Event | BJ's Beavercreek

7 p.m. | H2O Church Tuesday Night Life Group | Oelman 109

Wednesday, Sept 22

11 a.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Tabling | Student Union Upper Atrium

1 p.m. | Ohio State University Optometry Admissions Seminar | Medical Sciences 125

5 p.m. | Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. Study Tables | Rike 154

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6 p.m. | Internal Medicine Interest Group Speaker Event | Online

6 p.m. | Campus Recreation Group Hiking | Alumni Tower

6 p.m. | Alpha Xi Delta Women's Fraternity COB Events | Rike 157

7 p.m. | Tabletop Club Magic: The Gathering Nights | Fawcett 204/210

7:30 p.m. | Catholic Campus Ministry Bosc Night | St. John Bosco Chapel

Thursday, Sept. 23

2 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 044

5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Group Running | Alumni Tower

6 p.m. | Latino Medical Student Association Collaboration with Dayton Children's Office of Diversity and Inclusion | White Hall 101

6 p.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Connexion | Student Success Center 009

7 p.m. | Zeta Tau Alpha Women's Fraternity COB Event | Campus Walking Trails

7 p.m. | H2O Church Thursday Night Life Group | Allyn 124

7:30 p.m. | Catholic Campus Ministry Alpha-Jesus Event | St. John Bosco Chapel

Friday, Sept. 24

11 a.m. | University Activities Board Carnival Land | North Lawn and Hamilton Plaza

4 p.m. | Alpha Xi Delta Women's Fraternity COB Events | Rike 154

5 p.m. | Student Government Association Raider Nights in the City: Cincinnati Reds Game | Great American Ball Park

5 p.m. | Radiology Interest Group HA 1 Radiology Mini-Series | Online

6 p.m. | Campus Recreation Sunset Kayaking | Eastwood Metropark

6 p.m. | Korean Club Chuseok Celebration | Medical Sciences 125

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Saturday, Sept. 25

12 p.m. | Club Football Game Day | Alumni Field

12:30 p.m. | Radiology Interest Group HA 1 Radiology Mini-Series | Online

1 p.m. | Campus Recreation Fall Hiking Series | Indian Mound Reserve

Sunday, Sept 26.

8 a.m. | H2O Church Sunday Service | Student Success Center 009

3 p.m. | College Panhellenic Council Junior Panhellenic Leadership Program | Oelman 306

3 p.m. | Campus Recreation Biking to Young's Dairy | Alumni Tower

7 p.m. | Catholic Medical Student Association Matt Maher Concert | Levitt Pavillion

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Men's Soccer Struggles to Score on the Road

Noah Kindig

September 20, 2021

Wright State University (WSU) Men's Soccer had a rough week on the road, dropping their first Horizon League matchup against IUPUI 0-1 and falling to Bowling Green (BGSU) 0-3.

While the Raiders had excellent shooting opportunities in both games, they failed to find the back of the net in either game.

The Raiders will hope to shake off these losses and end their scoring drought in their next Horizon League matchup against Green Bay.

Outshooting, but not outscoring

In the match against IUPUI, the Raiders shot 19 times with nine shots on goal, and the Jaguars shot 13 times, with four shots on goal.

WSU also took six corner kicks to IUPUI's four, but neither team found the back of the net from set-pieces.

Even though those numbers were far in WSU's favor, the Jags ended up taking the game 1-0, with a goal in minute 30 from Rayan Choukri.

WSU played very aggressively in the second half to try and score a goal of their own, taking double IUPUI's shots, and fouling 21 times over the entire match.

Those fouls got some Raiders into trouble, with Saul Fernandez and Harvey Slade picking up yellow cards.

Even in the first half, where IUPUI scored, WSU put seven shots on target, more than IUPUI would in the entire game. Goalkeeper Lucas Morefield saved everything that came his way that night, keeping a clean sheet for the Jags.

An even game on paper

Against Bowling Green, the same problems that occurred when facing IUPUI showed up again.

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The Falcons got off to a strong start, with Joey Akpunonu connecting with Nathan Masters in minute 14 for a 1-0 lead. BGSU scored once again before the end of the half, going up 2-0 off of a Roberto Garrido goal in minute 32.

WSU stayed close with the Falcons in shooting, with 12 to the Falcons 14, but were not able to find the back of the net with their opportunities. Presten Manthey led the attack for the Raiders with two shots on goal but was unable to slot it past Logan Kowalczyk.

The Raiders played aggressively once again in the second half, earning three yellow cards. But, BGSU scored once more in minute 53 from Sergi Martinez and held off the Raider offense for a clean sheet.

Looking towards Green Bay

WSU and Green Bay (GB) have both struggled so far this season, with the Raiders 1-4 so far, and the Phoenix 1-3-1. Both teams will look to turn their seasons in the right direction in their match on Saturday.

The Phoenix have been strong playing from behind, with their one win coming against the University of Wisconsin. After 87 minutes played, GB was down 0-1 with what seemed like an inevitable loss coming.

Ruben Linden and Bernard Assibey Rhule scored back-to-back in minute 88 and 89 to completely flip the game, winning 2-1.

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University Admin Discuss New Amenity Space and Additional COVID Protocols
Jamie Naylor
September 21, 2021

Wright State University (WSU) Board of Trustees held a two-day session finalizing plans and business deals for the academic year 2021-2022.

WSU Financial Status

The Board committee day was held on Sept. 16, while the public session convened Sept. 17 at Lake Campus.

Committee day kicked off the meeting with the Academic and Student Affairs followed by the Finance, Audit, Governance and Compliance committee.

Discussing the financial status of the university, Doug Fecher, chair of the committee, began the meeting by expressing the university's positive financial standing.

"We begin this fiscal year in better shape financially as a university than we have in several years," Fecher said.

Despite this optimism, the monthly financial performance reports, presented at the meeting, show revenues for fiscal year (FY) 2021, are 11 million dollars lower than FY 2020. Revenue from tuition and fees, the main source of income, is also projected to decrease by 8.8 million dollars in FY 2022.

Additionally, WSU is planning on using 10.9 million in reserves for FY 2022. Reserve funds are funds set aside for when the university does not bring in enough revenue for its expenses.

Enrollment

Tuition and fees saw one of the largest revenue decreases due to falling enrollment numbers.

According to President Sue Edwards' report presented during the Board's public session, the total census date headcount for Dayton, Lake and Medical students is 11,469. 10,264 students are enrolled on the Dayton campus and another 1,205 students are enrolled on the Lake campus.

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Enrollment is significantly lower than in previous years, including 2020. The total census date headcount for 2020 academic year rests at 12,234 students according to the FY 2022 budget presentation presented at the June 18 Board of Trustees meeting.

Though the pandemic is often cited as a factor, Edwards did not express the exact cause of the decline in enrollment.

New improvements

In an effort to boost enrollment and housing numbers on campus, WSU granted the outside company Crawford Hoying permission to build an amenity space on the Dayton Campus.

Hoying currently owns and manages WSU's housing spaces as of Dec. 30, 2020.

Maps provided by the company show the new space is planned for the far side of campus near the College Park and Village apartments.

According to the resolution passed by the Board, the space includes a swimming pool, recreation center and a restaurant. The pool and recreation center are shared between the WSU community and members of nearby apartments owned by Crawford Hoying. The restaurant is a public entity run through a third party.

During the Finance Committee meeting, Greg Sample, Chief Operating Officer, mentioned Chartwells', the on-campus food service, unease over an outside restaurant on campus. Sample reported negotiations with the service to allow a third-party food source on campus.

Solely funded by Hoying, the project is set for completion by 2023.

COVID-19

As COVID cases continue to rise on campus and in the Raider County region, pushes for increased testing and vaccination are ever-present.

WSU instilled a mask mandate, a brief optional testing program for residential students and added a new voluntary vaccination program.

In an effort to increase vaccination status on campus without having a vaccine mandate, the university began an incentive program. Students, staff and faculty can now upload their COVID vaccination cards to a website provided by the university. Those who share their vaccination status may enter into a prize contest.

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In addition to the contest, President Edwards announced the beginning of a surveillance testing program. Each week faculty members, staff members and students are randomly selected to participate in COVID testing.

Edwards did not mention what the consequences are for selected persons who choose not to take the test.

In 2022, the goal is to have COVID vaccination added to the list of necessary vaccinations for residential students in addition to compulsory testing for unvaccinated students according to Edward's presentation.

Academics

During the public session, the Board approved the list of new hires, promotions and separations for fall semester 2021.

The College of Education and Human Services (CEHS) and the Boonshoft School of Medicine saw some of the largest increases in promotions and new hires as well as separations.

Boonshoft saw a total of 11 new hires, nine promotions and eight separations. CEHS saw nine new hires, nine promotions and three separations.

President Edwards announced searches to replace interim provost Oliver Evans, who currently leads the College of Health Education and Human Services in addition to being interim provost.

Another search committee for CEHS is also underway. Lake Campus, currently led by interim Dean Dan E. Krane, began a search committee for permanent leadership.

No further information was given on the searches or when they are expected to be finalized.

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Upcoming Nearby Concerts to Attend

Ellee Rogers

September 21, 2021

With the fall semester now in full swing, students are ready for some time to unwind and listen to their favorite music. From the Nutter Center to bigger stadiums in Cincinnati and Cleveland, Ohio is offering some great music selections soon.

Shows nearby

Wright State University's very own Nutter Center is featuring Alabama on Friday, Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. Alabama is known for their classic songs including "Song of the South," "Take Me Down" and "I'm in a Hurry (And Don't Know Why)."

Rock band KISS will perform at the Nutter Center on Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m. KISS is known for their classic hits such as "Rock and Roll All Nite," "Detroit Rock City" and "I Was Made for Lovin' You."

Concerts in Cincinnati

For those who are willing to venture out for great music, Cincinnati is the place to be. Machine Gun Kelly will perform at The ICON Festival Stage at Smale Park on Sept. 22 starting at 7:30 p.m. Known for his hit songs "My Ex's Best Friend," "Papercuts" and "I Think I'm OKAY."

Another concert in Cincinnati is The Back Outside Tour: Lil Baby with special guest Lil Durk. This concert is at the Heritage Bank Center on Oct. 4 at 8 p.m. Some of Lil Baby and Lil Durk's most popular songs include "Voice of the Heroes" and "2040."

Concerts in Cleveland

Cleveland is also hosting musical artists in the upcoming months. Phoebe Bridgers will perform at Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica on Sept. 29 at 8 p.m. She is known for her hit songs such as "Motion Sickness" and "Savior Complex."

Another great singer playing in Cleveland soon is Harry Styles. At the Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse on Oct. 18 at 8 p.m. Styles is known for his hit songs such as "Watermelon Sugar" and "Adore You."

Out of all of these upcoming concerts, which is on your radar?

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WSU 'We Serve U' Fair Virtual This Year
Emily Mancuso
September 22, 2021

Fourteen organizations, nonprofits and associations, several based in the Dayton area, will participate this year in the annual We Serve U volunteer fair.

This year

Normally, the event would take place in the Student Union's atrium, but due to Covid restrictions, the volunteer fair takes place virtually this year.

Student Involvement and Leadership plans to do this event annually in person if conditions permit.

Informational videos on how to get started volunteering with these organizations are available on the We Serve U Virtual Volunteer Fair website.

Organizations represented include Adaptive Sports Connection, Crayons to Classrooms, Epilepsy Foundation Ohio, Feed the Creek, Girl Scouts of Western Ohio, Miami Valley Pet Therapy Association, Owen's Place, Rebuilding Together Dayton, SISCA, TRI Ohio, United Rehabilitation Services, United Way and YWCA.

Rebuilding Together Dayton

Rebuilding Together Dayton is just one of the many Dayton-based organizations present at this year's volunteer fair.

"Rebuilding Together Dayton focuses on allowing low-income seniors to continue to age in the home and neighborhood that they love throughout Montgomery County. Many of the homeowners that we serve would not be able to remain in their homes without assistance," Home Director Caroline Brokaw said.

The organization focuses on repair to homes considering the safety and health needs of the occupants.

"We are making a difference in homeowners' lives and assisting them with home modifications and emergency repairs that they wouldn't be able to or afford to complete. By volunteering with

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RTD students can make a difference in homeowners' lives throughout Montgomery county," Brokaw said.

Student opinion

Freshman Angela Davis says she would most likely volunteer with SISCA, Girl Scouts of Western Ohio and YWCA since she has connections to those organizations.

"I think volunteer work is great for everybody because it's a simple way to get connected to your community while also giving back," Davis said.

Student Lounge Opening Delayed: Could Open This Week

Kaitlyn Chrosniak

September 22, 2021

In April 2020, Wright State University (WSU) announced that the Bridge Cafe on campus would be permanently closing due to the coronavirus pandemic. A year and a half later, Crawford Hoying and H2O Church are preparing to turn the old cafe into a student lounge.

Bridge Cafe

Bridge Cafe was a popular dining option near the Honors Community and Raider Mart for 15 years at WSU.

“Their smoothies were so amazing,” WSU senior public health major Katie Reed said. “I feel like I spent my first two years here blowing my entire meal plan on those.”

Shortly after WSU went remote due to the pandemic, Bridge Cafe announced via Facebook that it would be closing its doors indefinitely, with no plans to reopen through the 2020-2021 school year.

H2O Church

H2O Church is one of several Christian churches to gather on campus. According to their fall 2021 events calendar, many of their services are held in the Student Union while weekly group event meeting spaces vary.

“They often have group events and bonfires and classes that seem like they would be really fun to attend,” WSU sophomore computer science major Cal Kahoun said. “WSU offers a lot of opportunities for Christian students to meet people of similar beliefs and practice their religion in a safe and open environment.”

According to the H2O Church Sunday HC site, the church does weekly in-home smaller-scale church services and larger chapel services on a monthly basis.

The Landing

At the end of 2020, Crawford Hoying took over ownership of WSU housing properties and maintenance. Its work to try and boost residential rates on campus has included ongoing dorm

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amenity construction and a new clubhouse near the Village Apartments and the Woods dormitory halls.

Once Crawford Hoying came into ownership of WSU housing, H2O Church approached them with their idea on how to utilize the vacant space, calling it The Landing. The goal for the space is to use it to host events such as game nights, karaoke and video game events.

“I think it’ll be a really neat space to help bring people together,” WSU junior early childhood education and psychology major student Alex Drsek said. “I’m bummed I never got to experience the Bridge Cafe, but I definitely am excited to see The Landing when it opens.”

The Landing was set to open in mid-September. According to Katie Manning, property manager for Crawford Hoying, The Landing will be able to open later this week once the flooring is renovated.

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Students Voice Their Support for More Testing

Peter Murphy

September 22, 2021

Residential students have strong opinions when it comes to how Wright State University (WSU) has chosen to address COVID-19 testing on campus.

Current COVID plan

The rapid rise in COVID positive cases has caused a stir among many local students as Ohio universities address the sharp increase of cases. Several WSU students voiced their overall support of the university's current plan to track COVID cases.

"I think Wright State has so far done a great job at administering tests and trying to keep students safe and accountable," Colby Ricker, film major, said. "I'm thankful that the school provides tests for free and has allowed a larger window to get tested than before."

Concern for all residents

While WSU is home to a number of traditional college students, there are a number of non-traditional students as well. These students range from adults above the typical college age, students with disabilities, or students who are also parents.

"People are taking this very seriously," Rebecca Jones, a non-traditional student, said. "The fact that they keep having to order more tests means that students want this to happen."

Jones represents a small, but still important demographic at WSU: the single parent.

Too many requests, not enough tests

On Sept. 17, all residents received an email from Dan Bertson, Director of Wright State Housing, informing students that WSU housing was temporarily out of tests for the second time.

While this could be seen as poor planning by some, it is a result of more than expected requests.

"We are so happy to see so many students coming up to do self-tests and submit their results," Janelle Lattimore, a student employee at Wright State Housing, said. "We have got a lot of students coming up to receive tests."

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Students are thankful WSU is taking steps to ensure an outbreak of cases doesn't occur in housing.

"This seems like a proactive measure," Ricker said, recalling his experience in the spring semester of 2020. "They really are trying to make sure things don't get out of hand."

When it comes to student participation, students feel WSU is ahead of many other schools.

"It's nice to see students keeping their distance, wearing masking indoors and washing their hands," Jones said.

With no known restart date for testing, WSU released a statement on Friday, Sept. 17 saying that there were plans to open a campus-based testing facility. This will likely ease the strain on campus housing when it comes to acquiring tests.

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SGA Discusses Campus Security and Upcoming Events

Peter Murphy

September 22, 2021

On Tuesday, Sept. 21, the Student Government Association (SGA) held their weekly meeting discussing a new resolution focusing on security and future SGA-sponsored events.

Resolution 21-01

Resolution 21-01 is SGA's first resolution presented this year. Focused on increasing security for all residents, it proposes more patrols in several parking lots around campus housing, adding new cameras and continued upkeep of security call terminals.

"Increased security measures would reassure the students of Wright State University's commitment to the welfare of the student body," Chad Dudash, Residential Senator and sponsor of the resolution, said.

An increase in campus police reports is a serious issue for all SGA senators and is carefully being monitored by members of the SGA cabinet.

"I have heard a few different concerns from some of my personal friends about some incidents that have been happening in the residential area parking lots," Jonathon Ciero, SGA President, said.

According to Dudash, the resolution was prompted by several complaints of car accidents in the residential parking lots.

The resolution was moved to old business and will be revisited at the next SGA meeting.

Upcoming Events

All Senators are actively pushing out information to their respective colleges about upcoming events for students to attend this fall.

One upcoming event is the Raider Nights in the City Cincinnati Reds game on Friday, Sept. 24. Tickets are still being sold and several Senators are excited to attend this event.

"I am very excited, I haven't been to a baseball game in 12 years so I'm excited to go," Madison Janson, College of Liberal Arts Senator, said.

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Festival of Flight is taking place this Saturday, Sept. 25 in Lot 1. SGA wants students to be aware that Lot 1 will be closed starting on Wednesday, Sept. 22 to Monday, Sept. 27 due to festival set up.

Homecoming Week starts next week, Sept. 27 – Oct. 1. SGA is encouraging students to use Engage to find out dates and times for events such as the Homecoming parade, Chalk the Campus and Chili Cook Off.

SGA meetings are open to all and students are encouraged to attend. The next public meeting is tentatively scheduled for the Atlantis Room at 7 p.m. on Sept. 28.

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Dayton's Not Dead: Dayton Art Institute
Kaylee Raines
September 23, 2021

Founded in 1919, The Dayton Art Institute (DAI) exists as one of the most prominent fine art museums in Ohio. Boasting more than 27,000 pieces, this museum is a local delight that Wright State University (WSU) students can visit.

DAI exhibits and events

According to the institute's website, the museum spans more than 5,000 years of art history. Visitors can enjoy art from all over the world and observe the unique styles of the various artists.

The museum is organized by geographical region and contains everything from pop modern artist Andy Warhol to African fertility dolls. Visitors can immerse themselves in the world's rich and diverse history.

In addition to exploring the museum, WSU students are invited to join the numerous events hosted by the museum each year. The museum's biggest fundraising event, Oktoberfest, is from Sept. 24-26.

Furthermore, the museum provides discounted tickets to college students. By showing a student ID, students can visit the museum for only \$5.

On top of the discounts, DAI invites local schools to visit for field trips, scavenger hunts and other activities. Visitors will often see students walking around looking for specific art pieces and learning more about art.

Students weigh in

WSU graduate student Alex Dang visited the museum during his freshman year to complete an art history assignment. He had to locate various pieces of art and write a summary of his visit.

"I think that visiting the museum for a class was really fun. I got to explore and learn more about art in a way that was unique. I would definitely recommend this experience to others," Dang said.

WSU nursing student Christina Brown recently moved to Dayton from Mississippi. Although she has not had the chance to visit the museum yet, she is eager to take advantage of the discount.

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“I love going to museums and I think it is terrific that they offer a discount to college students! I grew up in Korea and would love to see what pieces of Korean art they have,” Brown said.

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) student Abigail Bond visited the Dayton Art Institute with her father and has many fond memories from her visits.

“The Dayton Art Institute is one of the reasons I have become so passionate about art. My parents homeschooled me, but they always made sure to expose us to as much of the world as they could. Various field trips throughout the years were memorable, but my favorites were at the Dayton Art Museum. My dad and I have gone a few times since I have been an adult and we bond over our passion for art and art history,” Bond said.

Students can visit the museum’s website to view all of the upcoming events and special exhibits available. [Click here >>](#)

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Quad Gods on Campus and Freedom of Expression

Kaitlyn Chrosniak

September 23, 2021

The Quad Gods are a group of evangelicals known for preaching to students on campus that they are headed down a path of eternal damnation. The group can legally gather at Wright State University (WSU) so long as they do not cause disruption to university life.

Quad Gods

The “Quad God” was originally a single man who would appear on campus and would preach to students passing by about how their life choices were sending them down a path to the underworld in the early 2000s.

The Wright State Guardian has reported on visits from the Quad God(s) in the past. In addition, Youtube videos have surfaced over the years of the Quad God(s) and similar religious protest groups as the university began to implement more gender-inclusive opportunities for students.

“I feel like it’s very similar to when you go to Planned Parenthood and you see groups of people protesting abortions, even though abortions are only a fraction of the services they provide,” WSU sophomore history education major Jerod Wilcox said. “They have every right to protest, but they’re only focusing on small details of what life has to offer that offend them for one reason or another.”

Students on campus indicate that they were unaware of the Quad God(s) existence before attending WSU. The Quad Gods appeared on campus on Sept. 2.

“I didn’t expect to be screamed at that I was going to burn [in Hell] while on my way to class on a random Thursday,” WSU sophomore film major Trevor Seech-Hvratin said.

Right to gather on campus

At the beginning of the fall semester, the WSU Office of the General Council sent out an email acknowledging changes to the freedom of expression laws in Ohio.

“Therefore, if a speaker on campus is saying offensive things, the University often may not require that speaker to leave,” WSU Office of the General Council wrote. “This is true even if the University does not agree with what they are saying. The fact that someone is exercising their

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rights of free expression on-campus does not mean that the University condones, endorses, or supports the speaker's ideas.”

Given the new Free Expression laws, the Quad Gods have the right to protest on campus so long as they are not blocking access to buildings and areas on campus or posing a threat to safety. To read more on Free Expression, go to [Freedom of Expression](#).

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WSU Honors Dorm Fire Alarms Triggered by Vaping
Kaitlyn Chrosniak
September 23, 2021

The fire alarms went off repeatedly in the Wright State University (WSU) honors dorms during the week of Sept. 6. The university acknowledged that all but two incidents were due to students vaping in the dorms.

Vaping

Throughout the week of Sept. 6, the fire alarms within the WSU Honors Community went off several times over the course of four days.

According to the WSU Housing Maintenance Team, the fire department determined on the night of Sept. 8 that most of the fire alarm triggers during the week were caused by smoke. The smoke was determined to most likely be caused by vaping.

“People vape all the time in the honors dorms, it’s really bad,” WSU freshman engineering student Megan McHone said. “They go into the stairwells and think they’re super sneaky about it.”

The email sent out by WSU Housing to honors dorm residents on Sept. 9 informed students that the smoke heads compromised by vaping were replaced as a precaution. Students were also reminded in the email that WSU is a vape-free/tobacco-free campus.

To read more about the WSU no-smoking policies, go to [Tobacco-Free Policy](#).

At the time of writing, WSU Residential Life and Housing declined the opportunity to provide a statement.

Other fire alarm triggers

Two other fire alarm incidents occurred during the week of Sept. 6 in the Honors Community. One of which was due to a compression issue that the WSU Housing Maintenance Team said was repaired on the same day.

The second non-smoking fire alarm trigger occurred due to an overloaded dryer causing the alarm in the laundry room to go off. The Honors Community is not the only community on campus to have dryer issues in the first several weeks of the semester.

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“I have friends who live in the dorms who say their dryers have not let them run cycles longer than 15 minutes since the start of the semester,” WSU alumni Julia Boyd said. “I guess that’s better than dryers catching on fire though.”

Students who previously lived in the WSU Honors Community said the fire alarms used to get set off frequently for unknown reasons.

“When I lived there [two years ago], I feel like the fire alarms went off all the time without any real reason,” WSU junior biology student Zoe Paxhia-Poppaw said.

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How WSU Faculty Are Being Held Accountable for Upholding COVID-19 Guidelines

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Students at Wright State University (WSU) are to follow various COVID-19 standards, including wearing masks in all indoor spaces. WSU faculty and staff are expected to follow the same guidelines as students when on university property.

WSU COVID guidelines

On Aug. 4, President Sue Edwards announced via email to WSU students, faculty and staff that masks would be required in all indoor spaces beginning the following day.

“The university’s decision to revise its campus mask policy is based on the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and our state and local health partners,” Edwards said in the email. “It reflects the spread of the highly contagious Delta variant, which has become the most common form of the coronavirus in Ohio and in the United States.”

All persons on campus at WSU are encouraged to get the COVID vaccine, but no vaccine mandate has been announced at the time of writing.

“I don’t think the university’s COVID protocols are difficult to follow,” WSU sophomore film major Sam May said. “They’re still a lot more flexible than last year and they are there to keep us safe.”

Faculty and staff accountability

Students at WSU say that they have faculty in classes who are against wearing masks despite university guidelines.

“I have a professor who is still teaching remotely because she does not want to wear a mask,” WSU senior social work major Libby Oster said. “I understand that masks are uncomfortable, but the more we abide by current recommendations, the sooner we will hopefully be able to take them off for good.”

WSU has an anonymous survey available for anyone to report faculty who are violating masking and other COVID procedures in place. To fill out the survey, go to [NAVEX](#).

If the survey is non-responsive, participants can call 866-384-4277 to be redirected to the United States reporting hotline and will be redirected to the WSU-specific hotline.

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At the time of writing, Dean of Students and Head of WSU Coronavirus Task for Chris Taylor was unavailable for comment.

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Wright Through My Eyes: Molly Foster
Katie Jones
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Molly Foster originally came to Wright State University (WSU) for engineering but found her place with the Adapted Recreation program and athletics.

During her sophomore year, Foster changed her major to public health minoring in psychology.

This change altered her experience at WSU.

Forming the fencing club

After switching her major, Foster needed to replace a course to remain a full-time student. Foster chose fencing.

“I’ve always been interested in it, I thought it was a lot of fun and just cool watching it on the Olympics. And I thought oh well I have a chance to take the class, why not. I just kind of took the jump and ended up loving it,” Foster said.

Foster loved the class so much she helped form the fencing club that exists today. Foster helped with paperwork and tracking funding as the club’s treasurer.

She monitored equipment and helped plan retention events, eventually more than tripling membership, going from five members to 29.

Foster also served as president for a year and through the team’s work, fencing won the diversity and inclusion award in 2020.

Adapted Recreation and soccer

Foster also works at the Adapted Recreation program. She found them through their intramurals and applied for a job as a trainer soon after.

During her first semester, Foster started out as a trainer but took over as student manager when the semester ended.

As student manager, Foster ran several events, including Wednesday intramurals. Others included trips to the Columbus Zoo and Dayton Museum.

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Similar to fencing, Foster increased attendance for the Adapted Recreation program so they needed to double the staff and hire two more employees.

Through her work, Foster earned the Kathrine W. Morris award for Adapted Recreations in 2020.

President of Sports Club Council

After working at adapted rec and helping to found the fencing team, Foster found a new purpose as president for the Sports Club Council.

“It was something new, it was something I hadn’t done before and I thought it’d be interesting to see what I could learn from it,” Foster said.

Future plans

Foster is uncertain about her plans after graduation.

“Eventually I’d like to go to graduate school, haven’t decided what for yet, I’m thinking maybe health communications through Wright State,” Foster said.

However, her primary goal is to work at Nationwide Children’s in Columbus, though she is considering applying for a job at WSU’s campus rec.

Currently, Foster’s main goal is to graduate and ensure what she has left behind continues.

“When you run so many things, it’s kind of like what happens when I leave? So I’m making sure that adapted rec has the tools that I’ve created to keep the program running and then the same thing for fencing,” Foster said.

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How to Report Vaccination and Enter Giveaway

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Wright State University (WSU) is promoting the COVID-19 vaccination to the WSU community through a vaccination giveaway.

Vaccination giveaway

On Sept. 24 Wright State Communications sent an email to the WSU community saying that fully vaccinated employees, not including those involved in the promotion, and students could enter a free, [voluntary giveaway](#).

Those interested must upload proof of their vaccination status to [Med+Proctor](#), a third-party medical website. There is no fee to do so.

The Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson and vaccines listed on the [WHO Emergency Use Listing](#) are all accepted. For those seeking to get vaccinated, vaccinations are available at Wright State Physicians.

After submitting proof, students and faculty can visit [WSU's COVID website](#) to enter the giveaway. Prizes include Barnes & Noble gift cards, parking permits, vacation hours, use of a Nutter Center Box with \$250 Catering Credit and \$2,500 for two student winners.

The giveaway deadline is Nov. 22 at 11:59 p.m. Winners will be drawn on Dec.1 and notified within the week.

Student opinions

With prizes like \$2,500 and \$250 or \$100 gift cards, some students are in favor of the giveaway.

“It’s a pretty nice deal for getting the vaccine. I’d consider it. The prizes all seem pretty nice,” Abigail Kerestes, a mechanical engineering junior said.

Lyndsey Ramsaw, a graduate student, feels similarly.

“I think the giveaway is a good incentive to get students to get vaccinated,” Ramsaw said.



Future plans

According to the email, WSU hopes to “celebrate those who have already been vaccinated and to encourage vaccination among hesitant students, faculty, and staff.”

The data provided will also help WSU’s COVID Task Force in making future decisions regarding public health measures.

WSU plans to expand testing for employees and students who have not submitted proof of COVID vaccination.

The email also stated they will send more information on a centralized COVID vaccination and testing site on the Dayton campus in the future. According to the email, “This site will support increased surveillance testing of faculty, staff, and students.”

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Festival of Flight
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Live music, the premiere of “A Journey Through the Birthplace of Aviation” and more will be at Wright State University’s (WSU) second Festival of Flight.

Festival of Flight will be from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25 in WSU’s Lot 1. Face masks are not required and sanitizing stations will be available.

If it rains, the event will continue as several activities are under tents and some, including the premiere, are indoors.

Featured events

Aviation documentary, “A Journey Through the Birthplace of Aviation,” will premiere at Festival of Flight. At 12:30 p.m., it explores the Miami Valley’s aviation history.

“This takes an in-depth look at how enmeshed the Miami Valley really is in aviation, and there’s things here that most people don’t know about. You can live here your whole life and not realize all the hidden gems that we have around us so I think that the film is definitely number one,” Greg Scharer, Executive Director of Alumni Relations and event co-founder, said.

WSU alum, engineer and artist Michelle Rouch is the second feature for the festival. She will be doing mini drawings for the children who come up to her booth.

For those who bring a copy, she will autograph her book “Astronaut Al Worden’s Journey to the Moon,” where she illustrated astronaut Al Worden’s journey to the moon.

Events throughout the day

The National Park Service is providing guided tours of Huffman Prairie, a service they do not offer normally. Attendees can take shuttles to go to the tours on base.

Visitors can take part in aviation-related Innovation and Education Hangar activities. They range from simulations to exhibits and are hosted by different organizations.

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“I’m pretty excited for this. I’m a fan of aviation and I’m looking forward to seeing the flyovers,” student Brett Hull said.

Others look forward to seeing the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery’s air compressor-powered paper rocket.

More notable experiential activities include virtual reality flight, Wright Flyer, helicopter and drone quadcopter simulators from The National Museum of the United States Air Force.

Additionally, three flyovers are planned from the MacAir Aero Club Formation Flying Group, WACO Air Museum and MacAir Aviation Formation.

For attendees with children, a Kids Parade is scheduled for 4 p.m. and there will be a Kids Zone for children 12 and under.

With so many activities available, organizers are hoping to attract more attendees than in 2019, the last time Festival of Flight was held.

“Our pie in the sky hope is 10,000. In 2019, we had somewhere around 4,000 attendees so we’re hoping to at least get to that number and maybe exceed it,” Bing Bingham, Assistant Director of Alumni Engagement, said.

Food options and music

Attendees will have several food options including Lilia’s Outside Cafe, The Big Stick, Graeter’s Ice Cream and more.

Live music will be provided from three different bands throughout the day. Todd the Fox will perform from 1-2:30 p.m., Hey There Morgan from 3-4:30 p.m. and headlining band Disturbing the Peace from 5-7 p.m.

Festival of Flight’s full schedule can be found [here](#).

Students React to New Lounge Opening
Brendan Blankenship
September 24, 2021

Wright State University (WSU) students will be able to utilize a new lounge that is expected to open later this week called The Landing.

The Landing's opening

The Landing is a new student lounge for the WSU community to use. The lounge will have different activities, food and drinks for students according to Matthew Eilerman, the president of H2O Church.

"It will be a great place for students to hang out, play games and attend events on campus," Eilerman said.

Eilerman also says that students will be able to participate in tournaments and various events at the lounge.

The Landing is in the process of being renovated and will be able to open once complete.

Katie Manning, the Property Manager for Crawford Hoying who owns the space, says that The Landing will be able to open later this week once the flooring is renovated.

"It's a very welcoming, inviting space," Manning said. "We're just excited to see it open and seeing people gather in and have that sense of community."

Do students want similar spaces on campus?

Some students who live on campus will be checking out The Landing once it opens. Sydney Sampson, a WSU student, says that she would be interested in seeing The Landing.

"I would go because I live on campus," Sampson said.

Other students who commute to campus say that they are less inclined to go to places on campus but only because they live off campus.

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“If I lived on campus I would go,” Karly Stacey, another WSU student, said.

Both Stacey and Sampson say that they would also like to see more cafes and dining options in addition to spaces like The Landing on campus.

Manning encourages students to use this space. This space is open to both commuter and residential students.

The Landing will be opening as early as this week.

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