



# DAEMEN COLLEGE

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Office of the President

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Dear Daemen Students,

I hope you had a chance to enjoy some of the Homecoming activities this last weekend and that you are prepared to support our wonderful men's and women's basketball teams as the season gears up. I suspect we will all see some fabulous games this year!

I hope you are also enjoying some of the campus improvements that you have been seeing over the last few months. The new trees (with more to come), the new landscaping, the fountain in front of Wick, the new stone benches, and the wall currently being constructed along the front border of our campus are doing much to make our campus a welcoming place to students and everyone who interacts with our college. And you know what the best part of these projects is? All of these improvements were paid for *entirely* by donors who gave the college funds specifically to improve the way the campus looks.

We are also planning improvements of the Wick Center. I'm sure you have noticed the giant screens in the dining room, the new reception desk, and the benches on the front verandah. Soon the lobby will get a bit of a makeover, including new furniture. I would like to thank the Student Association for chipping in to help with the lobby improvements.

Another group of improvements that we have been making relates to campus safety. We have upgraded our campus safety officers and their training, added a new bike patrol, enhanced the surveillance cameras around campus to discourage criminal activity, and installed new fixtures in the street lights around campus to make them brighter. All of these improvements were made with your comfort and safety in mind.

I wish you an enjoyable and productive semester's end and a happy holiday season.

Cordially,

Gary A. Olson  
President