

Office of the President

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Daemen College Faculty and Staff

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back to campus after what I hope was a relaxing and productive summer. The College has had a very busy summer with a number of exciting and important renovation and construction projects, and I look forward to outlining these projects at the Fall State of the College Address later this month.

I wanted to take a moment now, however, to encourage you to participate in the College's annual festival, Daemen Day in Amherst, which will be held this year on Friday, September 9th, beginning at 11 a.m. Over 40 restaurants and other businesses on Main St. in Snyder, Amherst, and Williamsville will be offering special discounts to faculty, staff and students who present a Daemen ID. Last year, some faculty and staff reported substantial savings from their shopping and dining.

The College has created a convenient app to help you plan your activities that day: https://daemenday2016.sched.org/. The app lists participating businesses, color coded by type; you can click on each business to discover a bit about it and the type of discount it is offering.

And I am pleased to report that if you eat lunch at one of these locations during Daemen Day in Amherst, you can take more than the standard time without a penalty.

Please note that the College has organized a shuttle that will pick people up behind the Wick Student Center to take them around Williamsville. The shuttle is available to employees and students beginning at 11 a.m. You can certainly drive yourself if you wish, but we wanted to ensure that you knew about this service.

The day's festivities will include a grand opening celebration of our new dining facility in the Wick Student Center, the Den (formerly the Cyber Café), at 4:30, followed by a TGIF volleyball tailgating party at 5:30 p.m. in a tent outside of the gym. This will be followed at 7 p.m. by a home volleyball game against NCAA Division II rival Roberts Wesleyan College.

I hope you will be able to take part in the day's events. Best wishes for the start of another exciting academic year.

Cordially,

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