

## ~ORIENTATION PROGRAM 2008~

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

- 9:00 am RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN.  
Check-in and key pick-up will take place at each residence hall. Orientation Advisors (OA's) and Resident Advisors (RA's) will be on hand to show you to your room and help you move in.
- 9:00 am MINERVA HOUSE WELCOME.  
Take a tour of the first floor social and academic spaces and get a first-hand look at "your house." Meet other Union students and faculty. Enjoy some refreshments while you are there. Be sure to grab a cookie – they are a perennial favorite among the students.  
**Your Minerva House**
- 9:30 - 2:45 pm ORIENTATION PACKETS.  
Members of the orientation committee will distribute orientation packets to all new students.  
**Nott Memorial**
- 9:30 - 2:45 pm OFFICIAL SIGN-IN.  
After you pick up your packet, please sign in as a member of the Class of 2012.  
**Nott Memorial**
- 9:30 - 2:45 pm ID PHOTOS.  
Be sure to get your photo taken for your ID Card. Remember, this photo will be with you for the next four years so say, "Cheese!"  
**Nott Memorial**
- 9:30 - 2:45 pm PARENTS' ASSOCIATION TABLE.  
Stop by and meet parents actively involved in the Parents' Association. Learn more about how parents participate in the Union community both on and off campus.  
**Nott Memorial**
- 11:00 am STUDENT AFFAIRS PANEL PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS.  
Dan Detora, Director of Dining Services  
Karen Ferrer-Muniz, Director of Multicultural Affairs  
Molly MacElroy, Director of Residential Life  
Tom McEvoy, Associate Dean of Students, Director of Minerva Programs  
Matt Milless, Director of Student Activities  
Kate Schurick, Dean of First-Year Students  
Bill Sickinger, Director of Campus Safety  
**Memorial Chapel**
- 11:30 - 1:00 pm CLASS OF 2012 SUBALICIOUS LUNCH.  
Come meet the other members of your class for the first time and enjoy a chunk of a six-foot sub!  
**College Park Hall**
- 1:00 pm WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ACADEMIC LIFE AT UNION.  
Therese McCarty, VP for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty  
Kate Schurick, Dean of First-Year Students  
**Memorial Chapel**
- 1:30 pm ADVISING SESSION FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN MEDICAL PROFESSIONS. (parents are welcome)



Meet your Resident Advisor (RA) and the other students living on your floor as you learn about the rules of our residential community. **Residence Halls**

- 8:30 pm **RESIDENCE HALL MEETING.**  
Ready to meet the rest of the students living in your building? Here's your chance. Professional staff members will be on hand to give you important tips to use throughout the year. **RA will advise of location**
- 9:30 pm **FOUR STAGES OF DRINKING.**  
National alcohol speaker, Mike Green, will lead a discussion about the Four Stages of Drinking. This insightful and interactive program is guaranteed to make you think about the role alcohol plays in your life. After several years of presenting at Union's orientation, Mike is still a huge hit and the top thing students remember about their orientation experience. **Memorial Chapel**
- 11:00 pm **A TASTE OF SCHENECTADY.**  
Taste samples from the restaurants enrolled in the Dutchman Dollar program. You will have a chance to vote for your favorite. While at this event meet the staff in the College Relations Office who are counting the days until your graduation – only 1380 days until graduation! **Dutch**

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

- 9:00 - 11:00 am **TIME WITH YOUR RA.**  
Remember those people you met yesterday? No? Well here's another shot at learning who you're living with! **RA will advise of location**
- 10:00 am **STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES MEETING.**  
Shelly Shinebarger, Director of Student Support Services, will meet with students with learning and physical disabilities to discuss accommodations on campus. **308 Reamer Center**
- 11:00 - 12:30 pm **BRUNCH.**  
Here's another opportunity to get to know some more students in the class of 2012. Brunch is a perennial favorite among Union students. **West Dining**
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm **ORIENTATION ADVISOR MEETING.** **OA Meeting Location**
- 1:30 - 2:30 pm **CAN I KISS YOU?**  
Michael Domitrz has participated in Union's Orientation Program for several years. His presentation inspires students through a combination of his hilarious sense of humor and his uncanny ability to draw hard-hitting emotion from each student. **Memorial Chapel**
- 2:30 - 5:00 pm **THE INSIDER'S TOUR OF CAMPUS.**  
Join your OA and tour campus one last time before classes begin! Learn where your classes are located, important offices to visit, the quickest routes around campus, and student secrets. Did you know about the tunnel between Olin and S&E? It can come in handy on a rainy day! Your tour will end with a sweet treat! **OA Meeting Location**
- 5:45 - 6:45 pm **DINNER. (this is your last meal before needing your ID card)** **West Dining Hall**



- 1:30 pm WALKING TOURS OF SCHENECTADY.  
If you are happy with your schedule and find yourself with some free time, join the Orientation Staff and find out what Schenectady has to offer beyond the College gates. Meet in front of Old Chapel
- 1:30 - 3:30 pm FRESHMAN RECORD DISTRIBUTION.  
This book is your hardcopy guide to the names and faces of your fellow classmates!  
308 Reamer Center
- 4:30 pm OPENING CONVOCATION.  
Join the Union Community in celebrating the official opening of the academic year.  
Memorial Chapel
- 5:00 - 7:00 pm DINNER. (bring your ID card) West Dining Hall

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

CLASSES BEGIN.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 11**

- 9:00 am - 5:00 pm POSTER SALE.  
Do you need decorations for those neutral colored walls in your new room? Come to the poster sale and find the art you've been looking for. Reamer Center Atrium

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

- 12:00-2:00 p.m. LUNCH IN YOUR MINERVA.  
Have your first Wednesday lunch in your Minerva House! Join other members of your Minerva, including faculty, staff, and House Council members, this and every Wednesday for lunch in your House. Your Minerva House

### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

- 4:30 pm CLUB EXPO.  
Join the student body for a fun-filled, carnival-like evening. Learn about the many clubs and organizations offered at Union. Come and get involved. Rugby Field

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11**

- 9:15 - noon JOHN CALVIN TOLL 1799 DAY.  
Join us for a day of community service. Members of the Union community, along with our neighbors in Schenectady, will help plant flowers and trees; clean up parks; and participate in a host of other activities. You may contact the Kenney Center at 518.388.6609 for more information.