

Torch sparks birthday celebration

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YSU is having a birthday, and everyone is invited to help celebrate the founding of our University.

In honor of the University's 80th anniversary, *The Jambar* is sponsoring a series of events during the week of May 23.

Opening ceremonies will begin at noon Monday on the campus core. A torch run will begin at the downtown YMCA (YSU's original location) and end on the campus core.

Mayor Patrick Ungaro, State Senator Harry Meshel and YSU President Neil D. Humphrey will be honored speakers at the ceremony, while Pete & Penny

Penguin, YSU's Pep Band and the ROTC Honor Guards will also be featured.

Pulitzer-prize winning journalist and YSU alumnus John Greenman will speak later in the evening in Kilcawley Center on the past and present images of YSU.

On Wednesday, designated as Spirit Day, students, faculty and staff are encouraged to show their pride by wearing red and white YSU paraphernalia. A Pictionary contest will also be held Wednesday at noon on the Kilcawley Center mounds.

Members of fraternities and sororities are encouraged to wear their letters on Greek Day, which will be held Thursday. An all-day volleyball tournament in the Spring Street courts will enable Greek

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members to join forces with others for friendly fun.

The final day of the celebration includes a Party/Picnic on the campus core. Everyone is invited to eat their lunches in the Kilcawley Amphitheatre, while WHOT-FM's Flamethrower Van provides music and giveaways from noon-4:30 p.m.

A cake decorating contest, open to everyone, also takes

place Friday. Cakes will be judged on appearance and taste. Ribbons will be awarded to the top three cakes in each category.

"Rock on the Roof" caps off the week-long celebration, as a free concert will take place on the roof of the Wick Deck. Two local bands, The Sharkbites and The Infidels, will begin performing at 5 p.m., and prizes will be given away during breaks.

For further information on these activities or to sign up for a competition, call *The Jambar* offices at extension 3094 or 3095.