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Featured in this week's YSU News Briefs:

- **Welcome Week begins new academic year**
- **Campus to remember 10th anniversary of 9/11**

Calendar

Monday, Aug. 29. First day of classes for the fall 2011 semester. Welcome Week activities also begin on campus. See News Brief below for details.

Thursday, Sept. 1, 7 to 9 p.m. Penguin Pre-Party in the Chestnut Room of YSU's Kilcawley Center, featuring New York improv and comedy group The Upright Citizens Brigade. An Elvis impersonation contest will also take place at **7:30**. See Welcome Week News Brief below for more information.

Friday, Sept. 2, 3 p.m. YSU women's soccer team hosts Ursuline at Stambaugh Stadium.

Friday, Sept. 2, 7:30 p.m. Penguin football team kicks off the season against Michigan State in East Lansing, Mich.

Welcome Week begins new academic year

Youngstown State University's Welcome Week kicks off the 2011-12 academic year with bungee games, iPad2 giveaways, foam-filled dancing and much more.

Among the events:

Monday, Aug. 29

- **Boardwalk on the Core**
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Campus Core
Karaoke, inflatable attractions, a photo booth and Pickled Brothers entertainment outside of Kilcawley Center.
- **Ice Cream Social, Cookout and Cornhole**
11 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Fountain at Kilcawley Center
Free food and live entertainment, along with cornhole boards.



The Extreme Trampoline attraction at last year's Welcome Week was a hit with students. This year, an inflatable jousting, obstacle course and bungee run will be added to the mix outside of Kilcawley Center on Aug. 29. Read more in this week's YSU News Briefs.

Tuesday, Aug. 30

- **GeekFest**
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Chestnut Room (Kilcawley Center)
A STEM celebration, highlighting information and events in the realms of science, technology, engineering and mathematics—and healthcare.
- **Student Organizational Fair**
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Campus Core
- **Foam and Dance Party**
7 to 10 p.m., Rec 5 Area
Night of free food, foam and fun with dancing and prize giveaways. YSU ID required for entry.

Wednesday, Aug. 31

- **Create-a-Penguin**
10 a.m., Chestnut Room (Kilcawley Center)
Make and dress your own penguin.
- **Casino Caricature Artist**
10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Campus Core
Stop by to get a wacky caricature of yourself to take home.
- **KC Block Party**
11:50 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. Chestnut Room (Kilcawley Center)
Free food, a DJ and the chance to win awesome prizes—from gas cards to an Apple iPad2.
- **Stomp the Yard**
Noon to 1 p.m., Campus Core
Watch a stepping yard show by the members of the “Big 9,” NPHC fraternities and sororities on campus.

Thursday, Sept. 1

- **Rappelling Flad Mountain**
11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center Climbing Wall
Free rappelling instructions from the wall staff experts.
- **Penguin Pre-Party: The Upright Citizens Brigade Comedy Show**
7 to 9 p.m., Chestnut Room (Kilcawley Center)
This premier comedy improv group based out of New York and featured in *Rolling Stone* magazine will be at YSU to perform for free. YSU ID required.
- **Best Elvis Impersonator Costume Contest**
7:30 p.m., Chestnut Room (Kilcawley Center)
Come to the Penguin Pre-Party with the best Elvis costume and win a Flip camera.

Friday, Sept. 2

- **Writing Center “Navigating the YSU Portal” Workshop**
10 to 11 a.m., Writing Center (Rm. 171 of Maag Library)
A crash course on finding your schedule, emailing and joining groups on the YSU Portal with a chance to win a YSU Bookstore gift card.
- **International Student Coffee Hour**
2 to 4 p.m., St. John’s Episcopal Church Pavilion (across from Jones Hall)

A welcome to new international students and a welcome back to continuing international students at YSU.

For a detailed listing of events, contests and prizes, visit the YSU Welcome Week homepage at <http://www.ysu.edu/welcomeweek/>.

Campus to remember 10th anniversary of 9/11

Youngstown State University will host and sponsor a series of events in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, including the reading of the names of individuals who died in the terrorist attacks.

Included in the scheduled events:

Tuesday, Sept. 6

- **Noon.** A Salute to America at the 9/11 Memorial and Flag Pole on the YSU campus core. The event will include the singing of the national anthem and God Bless America; an honor guard; and remarks by YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson, YSU Student Government President Elyse Gessier and Martha Pallante, chair of the YSU Department of History.
- **2 p.m.** A Salute to America, Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor, 151 W. Wood St.

Wednesday, Sept. 7

- **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** A Day of Reflection & Remembrance Teach In and Workshops in Rooms 2067 and 2069 in Kilcawley Center.
- **7 to 9 p.m.** Ecumenical Service and Worship, Union Baptist Church on Lincoln Avenue.

Thursday, Sept. 8

7 to 10 p.m. Open Mic Night – Liberty and Lyrics, in the Ohio Room of Kilcawley Center.

Friday, Sept. 9

6:30 p.m. 9/11 Commemoration Dinner in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center. Beer and wine reception to start, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and program at 8 p.m. Guest speakers include YSU President Cynthia E. Anderson and Major Dennis Sleva among others. The YSU ROTC and the Air Force ROTC Color Guards will also participate. Tickets are \$20. Call 330-941-2136 or email jmlevisur@ysu.edu for more information.

Sunday, Sept. 11

9 to 10 p.m. Candlelight Vigil – Let Freedom Ring, on the campus core.

Monday, Sept. 12

Noon to 2 p.m. Liberty, Justice and Freedom Commemoration—“Lest We Forget,” in the Chestnut Room of Kilcawley Center, honoring current and former police, public safety workers and firefighters. The names of those who died in the Sept. 11 attacks will be read.