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Currents is Back! Currents, our internal newsletter published by the Office of Public Affairs, is returning to your inboxes on a weekly basis beginning today. Many of you thought Currents was a helpful tool to learn more about the university, so look for your copy each Monday.

This administration is committed to using all channels of communication available to be open and transparent with the campus community and I will contribute to this publication regularly.

USM's annual Opening Breakfast will take place on Thursday, August 28. Mark your calendars and look for your invitation soon. — *President David T. Flanagan*

#### Join President Flanagan in Welcoming Students

Student Life and the campus Welcome Committees have been planning events and programs to welcome new and returning students. Please join me in helping us make these critical early connections by volunteering at one or more of the opportunities provided.

A complete schedule for Portland and Gorham volunteers and a sign-up form can be found at [Welcome Week Volunteer Sign Up](#) See [Welcome Week 2014](#) for a list of events, including our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Husky Fest.

At LAC, students, staff, and faculty, will greet new and returning students during the first week of the semester, Tuesday, September 2 through Monday, September 9. For more information, and to help out, contact Lynsey Wood at: [lwood@usm.maine.edu](mailto:lwood@usm.maine.edu)

Release time has been approved for these events.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet students, build campus community and help ensure our students' success.

Changes for Military Transcript Evaluations [Veterans Services](#) has taken over the important task of evaluating Military Transcripts and that department will post any credits students have achieved through service to our country. In the past, the [Office for Prior Learning Assessment](#) worked with students who have served in the military. Direct students to Veterans Services Coordinator Lorraine Spaulding at [lspaulding@usm.maine.edu](mailto:lspaulding@usm.maine.edu) or 780-5232.

What We're Doing The WWDs will return monthly as part of Currents. You can view the last 19 entries on the [What We're Doing](#) blog. To submit an activity, please use our [WWD Submit Form](#). If you submitted something that has not appeared, please call Jen Bennett at 780-4200.

Ground Rules for Currents Send information to be included in Currents to its editor, Judie O'Malley at [omalley@usm.maine.edu](mailto:omalley@usm.maine.edu) or call 780-4200. We are hoping to transmit fewer A-List messages by compiling many of the messages formerly sent individually into one weekly digest. Keep in mind that space is limited. Welcome back to Currents!

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