

NEW COLLEGE NEWS RELEASE

NEW COLLEGE, SARASOTA, FLORIDA
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Brief ceremonies on the New College campus at 1:15 today begin an afternoon long college open house for all of Sarasota and Manatee Counties.

President John Elmendorf speaks at ceremonies to be held at the location of the West Campus flagpole and then the entire campus will be opened to the public.

From then until 5 p.m., visitors are free to tour college buildings, talk with students and faculty, and inspect educational facilities and exhibits.

On the occasion of the opening, President Elmendorf will also dedicate to college use a new flagpole and the landscaped area surrounding it, a gift to the college in honor of Robert Ringling and to be known as Robert Circle.

Visitors to the campus may park either on the East Campus or the West Campus as they tour and students will pass out tour guides prepared by the staff of the college newspaper, The Catalyst.

Music for the early part of the afternoon, including appropriate music for the opening ceremonies, will be provided by the Riverview High School Band under the direction of Harry Putt.

Open for visitors to inspect will be the three new residence halls, where students' rooms will be open, the new swimming pool, College Hall, Robertson Hall, The Barn, and the science laboratories.

Visitors also will be able to see in the early stages of construction the two new buildings comprising Hamilton Court, an academic and student center on the East Campus anticipated for completion in the fall. Someone will be on hand to show the plans for the buildings.

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President Elmendorf has noted that ~~while~~ the college hopes that the many people who have never had an opportunity to visit the campus or see the progress the college has been making, ^{will} use this occasion to see the new buildings and to meet the students and faculty.

A number of exhibits will be displayed in College Hall showing some of the student activities, and explaining parts of the college program of interest to the public.

Much of the preparatory work and the organization of the guide corps has been done with the assistance of the student body at large and the Student Executive Committee, which is the governing body for undergraduates.

Student editors of The Catalyst have prepared a special edition of their newspaper to be given away to visitors, including a campus map, directory of buildings and also descriptions of various college facilities and activities.

Parking will be available at many parts of the campus for visitors. Because of the 3 p.m. Sarasota Concert Band performance at the Ringling Museum, traffic at that time is expected to be heavy. However, members of the Sarasota Police Department, under the direction of Lt. John Wingate, will be on duty to speed the flow of cars on and off campus.

This marks the first opportunity for many residents of the two counties to see the East Campus residences. Completed last summer, the three buildings now house the full student body plus six members of the faculty.