

Here are the things that are occurring in Maucker Union: (much of this is from your email last spring, but adjusted to reflect where we are now)

1. Set an energy efficient ventilation schedule for Maucker Union
2. Made/making lighting changes to allow for energy saving light bulbs
3. Placed and using recycling containers in individual staff offices
4. Placed and using recycling bins for newsprint/office paper in the coffeehouse
5. Building-wide cardboard recycling dumpster (filled weekly)
6. Purchased new type of napkin (that is environmentally friendly) and napkin dispenser
7. Have a refillable mug program
8. Send food waste to "Amazon" the iguana in the green house
9. Post sustainable activities on the Dining web site
10. Use reusable food baskets in food court.
11. Purchase \$120,000 local food annually, saving fuel of transportation and contributing to local economy
12. Have utilized the "Turn if Off" campaign in all meeting rooms
13. Recycling plastics: consumers (pop/water bottles,etc.), dining (milk jugs,etc.), catering events (placing recyclable units at events so people can recycle catered items (pop/water bottles, etc.). This effort is co-organized by DOR catering staff and Maucker Union staff.
14. Involve the Maucker Union Advisory Board (student board) in sustainability initiative
15. HVAC retrofinishing for Maucker
16. Developed a theme and logo for sustainability actions that can be used throughout campus as other departments (UNI c.a.re.)

Ideas that have yet to be incorporated or are in the incorporating process:

1. Develop a communication plan for Maucker that lets patrons know what all is being done in the way of energy conservation and sustainability
2. Investigate what happens to the grease picked up by the current grease disposal company
3. Learn more about carbon credits for various activities in Maucker
4. Set a goal to become a certified green business or green building or carbon neutral. We need to find out what criteria to use.
5. Develop publicity for what is being done in Maucker with NI and Courier
6. Involve the UNI Energy audit subcommittee in helping with Maucker assessment
7. Determine how much energy dining uses in general and saves by purchasing locally
8. Incorporate sustainability education into orientation
9. Investigate alternatives to packaging of delivered products to eliminate/reduce pick up travel/fuel costs
10. Investigate "green" cleaning products
11. Increase use of organic foods