WILL THERE BE A BIG BAILOUT FOR THE BIG THREE?

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Chief Staff Writer

The Big Three in the automobile industry, GM, Ford and Chrysler, asked the government for bailout money last week, adding yet another factor to the worry list for students and their families in these uneasy economic times.

It is up to Congress and the president whether or not the Big Three will be bailed out from their economic crisis. If the answer is negative, an estimated 3 million Americans will lose their jobs, according to www.stltoday.com.

For us in Michigan, Ohio or Indiana this is a critical regional question in terms of our self-interest,” history professor Dr. John Heitmann said. “We need that money because if we lose those producers, then our regional economy will be in total shambles.”

Heitmann predicts that if the Big Three shut down, more than just automobile workers will lose their jobs.

“There are many more people who are indirectly tied to the automobile industry than one would think,” Heitmann said. “The industry involves the rubber business, the plastic business, the glass business, the textile business and it’s the largest consumer of computers. Many of these jobs are living wage jobs and the problem is, will jobs after unemployment be able to support a family?”

That is one problem many students and their families may need to be prepared to face, if they haven’t already.

“I think students have to be thinking carefully over what will be their major,” Heitmann said. “We’re no longer in a flush economy where you can just get by. I am a big believer that science and engineering jobs could be a great future for a young person. I’m less understanding of what the future is for some business majors.”

Heitmann also worries for students whose parents have recently become unemployed due to the economic uncertainty that faces our nation, along with the looming job loss possibilities from a Big Three collapse.

“I’m certainly concerned about students’ families and what is happening here,” Heitmann said. “Every day you see more and more people losing jobs, and some of those have to be parents of students. I’m concerned about the financial aspects of students being able to go to school.”

Telling students and their families not to worry would be trivial, but there is an optimistic side to this. The government may choose to bail out the Big Three if they are ensured the money will be well used.

“I think the real problem from the Washington, D.C., perspective is the Big Three has to show them they’re not throwing out good money,” director of the UD Business Research Group Dr. Richard Stock said. “We have to have strong assurances that the money is being spent.”

The committee is still looking for volunteers and groups to hold activities the night of COC. E-mail coc@notes.udayton.edu.

COC held a Reindeer Trot Saturday and even the rain didn’t put a damper on the Christmas spirit. The team that won “best costume” showed up as three reindeer tied in a line with rope.

A much-anticipated and competitive part of COC will also be back this year: the house decorating contest, Malson said.

COC will end this year as always, with Mass in the Frericks Center. Holding it on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe has incorporated new traditions in addition to the old, co-Mass coordinator Michelle Wintering said.

Wintering said riding the students buses two years ago showed her the true spirit of COC.

“On the way there you see how excited they are, and on the way back you see how sugared up and excited they are,” Wintering said. “They don’t know the UD student they’re paired up with but by the end of the night they’re pulling them around to show them things.”

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Study finds fewer college campus smokers

KIM BALIO  Staff Writer

Smoking on college campuses has decreased, according to an article The American Lung Association recently released about one of their studies.

In 1999, the smoking rate was 30.6 percent and in 2006, it was reported that only 19.2 percent of students have smoked in the last 30 days. The number of college student smokers had reached its lowest point since 1980.

“I’m surprised,” sophomore Beth Kellmurray said. “I thought that there was a decrease in smoking in the 90s with all the advertisements there were. Now that some of those advertisements are gone, I feel like the number of smokers is higher than before.”

Sophomore Cat Kelly said she wouldn’t have guessed the findings based on her first-hand experiences in her family.

“I have two sisters who are UD alum who started smoking in college, so it’s surprising to learn it’s decreasing,” Kelly said. “Also, I feel like if you’re not one of the people who are smoking, it seems like it’s not prevalent. But if you do smoke, it seems widespread.”

However, not all students are surprised with the decrease in the number of smokers.

“I feel like our generation has been given a lot of talks about the negative effects, so that sticks with some of us,” sophomore Erin Phelps said.

Since the peak of college smoking occurred in 1999, what caused the number to decline?

One possible reason is the number of states that have outlawed smoking in public places, as well as the rising prices of cigarettes.

“As of July 2008, 23 states and the District of Columbia have passed strong smokefree laws that have reduced smoking in public places,” according to the article “Big Tobacco on Campus: Ending the Addiction.”

Many colleges are also following this initiative. In the spring of 2008, Miami University declared that they would become a smoke-free campus. Other universities around the country, such as the University of California, Davis, and Texas Tech University decided to prohibit smoking, at least in public facilities. UD has prohibited smoking in all enclosed spaces and ruled that smokers must keep at least 15 feet away from doorways, windows, and ventilation systems at all times.

The American Lung Association also released how many students try to quit. A national survey found that 54 percent of student smokers have tried to stop smoking. But according to a survey done at the University of Wisconsin in 2004, only 13 percent of daily smokers were successful in quitting after four years.

Universities having been working to help students quit, with 70 percent of universities having programs covered by student health insurance. According to the article, “few offer more effective services such as counseling, nicotine replacement therapy and education.” According to UD’s Human Resources Web site, the university “will offer from time to time on-campus smoking cessation programs.”

Smoking health risks

- It causes cancer, not just lung and bronchial cancer. Stomach, pancreas, kidney, urinary bladder and cervical cancer have been linked to smoking, according to the U.S. News and World Report article “12 Reasons to Really Quit Smoking.”

- Smoking causes yellow teeth, bad breath and leaves the smell of smoke on clothes.

how to quit

“Ask the Doc,” Dr. B suggested some ways to quit on the UD Student Health Center’s Web site:

- WRITE DOWN A LIST of reasons you want to quit and a list of reasons you like to smoke. Dr. B suggests finding other ways to meet the needs with the things you like about smoking.

- NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPIES, such as the patch or gum, are a good way to deal with a nicotine addiction, as well as the prescription drug Zyban.

- These treatments each are clinically proven to increase the quit rate, and used together, increase the quit rate even more,” Dr. B said.
Organization bridges gap between alumni, student fundraising

Michaela Kramer
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Students Today Alumni Tomorrow (STAT) is a 1-year-old organization on campus affiliated with the Office of Alumni Relations and Culture of Philanthropy that works with each class to raise money for four different philanthropies.

STAT was created last year so that it can be instilled in students that giving back to the Dayton community is an important part of UD’s mission to learn, lead, and serve, said Rachelle Patsey, sophomore class gift coordinator.

According to the Office of Alumni Relations, during the last fiscal year alumni have donated $1.1 billion to UD. These donations have been dedicated to facilities for students on campus, such as The Gallery, ArtStreet, Marianist Hall and the RecPlex. Generous alumni are also the reason why 95 percent of all UD students receive some form of financial aid, creating scholarship funds that are granted to students who would not be able to come to Dayton without financial help, according to Patsey.

“We’re trying to bridge the gap between students and alumni,” Patsey said. “The program also provides for great networking capabilities.”

STAT created the Class Gift Program, which encourages each student to donate a specific amount of money toward the class gift. The senior class gift supports the Q.U.E.S.T. scholarship, the junior class gift supports the Dean’s Fund for Excellence, the sophomore class gift supports UD’s Appalachia program, and the freshman class gift supports UD’s textbook program, Patsey said.

“Many UD students are willing to donate after discovering what the purpose is,” Patsey said.

“The sophomore class gift goal is to reach $1,780 for the year to allow about 10 UD students to travel on a service-learning trip this summer. Sophomores are asked to donate $10 toward the class gift, but any amount is accepted and appreciated, according to Patsey.

“It’s a great cause, and the nice thing is that you know it’s going to UD students,” Patsey said.

The senior class gift focuses on providing scholarships for junior UD students who are unable to return to UD for their senior year due to financial issues. The Q.U.E.S.T. Scholarship is a 19-year tradition and the goal is to raise over $10,000 in donations, allowing four $2,500 scholarships to be awarded to UD students. Seniors are asked to donate $20.09 in honor of their graduation year toward the scholarship, but any amount can be donated, said Jill Robisch, STAT senior class gift representative.

“We are trying to get people involved and participate more than anything,” Robisch said.

“This is a really good cause. I encourage everyone to donate.”

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CORRECTIONS

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The Department of Languages announces a competition for the Robert Conrad Scholarship for Study Abroad and invites applications from undergraduate students who have declared or will declare a major or minor in the Department of Languages.

- Up to $5,000 in support for enrollment in a language-immersion study-abroad experience at a university or other institution of higher learning in a non-English speaking country of at least one semester in duration.
- Student must return to the UD campus for at least one semester of study following the study abroad experience.
- Applicants must have completed foreign language instruction in the target language through the 202 level or equivalent.
- The language of instruction at the host institution cannot be the student’s native language.
- Application materials can be obtained in the Department of Languages office, Humanities Center, Room 352.
- One scholarship granted each academic year.

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WATCH WHILE FLOATING

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During the summer, people enjoy drive-in movies, but with the cold weather, drive-in movies might be right up your alley.

Flick ‘n Float, a RecPlex sponsored event, is held once a month where students can enjoy a movie while floating in the pool.

Assistant Director of Aquatics Nicole Haberlin said the event is becoming a trend in the aquatics industry. In 2006 Ball State played “Finding Nemo” and Haberlin said she downscaled the event to make it free for students. Other schools have undertaken the event and had a lot of success with it.

“UNLV also has had a drive-in movie,” she said. “I have learned most of the trends and kept up with the changes from my bachelor’s degree in exercise science aquatics.”

Senior Abby Heffelmire spearheaded the monthly event. Recently, “Superbad” was one of the movies shown and Flyer TV broadcasted the movies for the event, Haberlin said.

The event is free for all students and RecPlex members. Students who want to participate get to vote on what movie they will watch before the event begins.

Haberlin, along with the head lifeguards, are sure that students’ constant participation will make this a very popular event for the weekend.

“It’s a great alternative activity other than just going out on the town on a Friday night,” Haberlin said.

Students like Colleen Marty, who have participated in the event, hope that more people will come out and enjoy the movies as well.

“It is a relaxing thing to do on a Friday night,” she said. “You can’t ask for more of a relaxing night than sitting in a pool watching a movie.”

Flick ‘n Floats will begin again next semester on Jan. 23. To check out a schedule of Flick ‘n Floats and other aquatic events visit the Web site at http://campus.udayton.edu/recsport/aquatics.

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Save lives: Do it free with squad

MAGGIE MALACH
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Junior Andrew McBride knew the in-and-outs of CPR but when he was faced with saving a life this summer in a Sandusky, Ohio, emergency room, he had to pause a second and question what he was doing.

“You are really nervous because you know that your care can save this person’s life,” McBride said. “You have to step back and really compose yourself, remembering all those hours put into your training. You can never grasp the physical and emotional effort to perform CPR without performing it on a real person. The sense of satisfaction that you receive when you restart a patient’s heart reinforces how much difference we can make in the world.”

His quick actions are exactly what the UD Rescue Squad hoped to share with around 100 people Nov. 10 through 13, when the Rescue Squad offered free CPR certification classes available to all students, faculty and staff. The classes were presented as part of the National Collegiate EMS Week.

“The purpose of National EMS Week is to bring together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving service in the medical field,” squad member Tommy Graul said.

The Rescue Squad was given funding to certify 100 people but since the maximum number was not reached, they plan to hold more classes in the coming months. Graul stresses the importance of civilians learning CPR.

“More than 1.5 million heart attacks occur in the United States each year with approximately 500,000 deaths; that’s one in every five deaths,” Graul said. “A heart attack can happen without warning at anytime and CPR is an easy, lifesaving technique that anyone can do.”

It is not just emergency medical technicians who should be certified in saving lives, Graul said. "During a heart attack, time is the most important factor," Graul said. "If a bystander can start providing CPR immediately, it can save more than double a person’s chance of survival."

For more information on what the UD Rescue Squad is doing, go to their Web site http://campus.udayton.edu/~squad/; which is updated weekly. Contact Loretta Geiger at loretta.geiger@notes.udayton.edu to sign up.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

If you are interested in incorporating service, leadership, and diverse cultures into your living community, apply for the Garden Apartments Servant Leadership Living-Learning Community. The information session is at 8 p.m. at 343 E. Stewart St. lounge. It is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

HELP SAVE LIVES

Alpha Phi Omega and the RecPlex are sponsoring a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be free Buffalo Wild Wing coupons for six wings for those who donate blood. Make an appointment at www.donortime.com.

TUESDAY

FIRERIDE CHAT

The office of Multicultural Affairs is hosting a discussion about president-elect Barack Obama’s effect on social justice and race relations for the world, as well as specifically at UD. It will be held at 5 p.m. in KU Torch Lounge.
Daytonian capturing campus

maggie deiningerg
staff writer

It is a fact; the university’s yearbook the Daytonian has been preserving the student body’s memories dating as far back as the 1920s. The yearbook is comprised of five different sections: resident life, athletics, student life, seniors, and clubs and organizations on campus. Each of these sections has an editor who determines what eight to 10 articles will highlight each section.

Staff members are Michelle Hoffmann, Frank Stanko, Chelsea Miko, Robert Buchsbaum, Tiffany Freeman and Victoria Spencer, who are responsible for the compilation of the entire yearbook. Daytonian editor-in-chief Michelle Hoffmann said she first got involved her freshman year as the copy editor, a position in which she was responsible for formalizing all articles.

“As editor-in-chief, there are a lot of different and new aspects to the job that I didn’t know about last year,” Hoffmann said. “The hardest tasks are getting everyone to work together, and incorporating everything into the pages, and then at the end of the year sitting down and making sure we covered all the bases.”

Hoffman said one of her favorite parts of working on the yearbook is “having the chance to have a tangible effect on capturing graduating seniors’ memories and seeing how the yearbook has progressed over the years.”

Miko said as the Mini-Mag section editor she likes brainstorming and writing herself.

“I have the freedom to come up with my own stories to write about,” Miko said.

The staff prides themselves on accurately and positively representing all the experiences that students go through while at UD, like Christmas on Campus, Campus Ministry retreats and sporting events, among others. The Daytonian is currently seeking more students to join, if you are interested contact Hoffmann.

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety on Nov. 8-10. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.

Criminal Damaging
Nov. 8, 9:51 a.m.
Officer A. Durian was dispatched to the RP7 parking lot on the report of a damaged vehicle. Upon arrival, the complainant said he had parked his car on Nov. 7 at 5 p.m. and returned on Nov. 8 at 9:51 p.m. When he returned to his vehicle, he noticed a large dent on the passenger side with a shoe print. The passenger side mirror had been broken and the driver’s side mirror had been cracked.

Burglary
Nov. 10, 8 p.m.
Officer Orrill was dispatched to Lawnview Avenue on the report of a damaged door. Upon arrival, a UD student said on Nov. 1 he discovered the bottom portion of his front door had been kicked in. The student didn’t hear anyone trying to break into the house during the night and called Residential Properties to fix the door. Residential Properties said a police report was needed if the student didn’t want to pay for a new door.

Theft
Nov. 10, 2:35 p.m.
Officer Seipel was dispatched to KU on the report of a theft. Upon arrival, a UD student said when she arrived to work at 10:30 a.m. she placed her computer bag on a coat rack and when her shift ended at 2:30 p.m. it was gone. The black computer bag contained an HP laptop valued at $1,000, the victim’s student ID, a key to her UD residence, $100 in cash and several credit cards. There are no known suspects at this time.

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123 Evanston

Roommates
Lauren Garmes, Colleen Kelly, Carly McInerney, Katie Needham, Lori Pelletier, Molly Vaulman

Lori Pelletier: People like to come over here.
Molly Vaulman: Our house is dirty about six days a week.
Colleen Kelly: I’d say we’re fun though. That’s half the reason why it’s dirty, we like to have a good time.

FN: What’s your house motto?

Lauren Garmes: 123 Evanston, we’re havin’ such a good time.

FN: What should everyone know about your house?

Katie Needham: We have low living standards.

FN: What was that noise?

Lauren Garmes: We have a ghost named Gretchen. She came from Marycrest to here.

FN: Finish this sentence: When your friends stop by, they can always find…

Lori Pelletier: A good time.
Katie Needham: You can always find chaos.
Lauren Garmes: Molly sitting on the porch and Christmas grab bags.

FN: House traditions?

Lori Pelletier: Sunday slog day. We’re all down here being bums. We also have a fun list of...
Katie Needham: Things to do before we graduated. We always eat dinner together every Sunday.
Molly Vaulman: It’s mostly comprised of food.

FN: What is your porch most used for?

Lauren Garmes: We have a bathroom cleaning rule.
Katie Needham: We started two weeks ago and we haven’t seen if it worked yet.
Katie Needham: There’s really no rules here.

FN: Any downsides to 123?

Molly Vaulman: Child size bunk-beds.
Lauren Garmes: The entire upstairs could easily be one room.

FN: Any cravings?

Carly McInerney: Chocolate.
Molly Vaulman: Potbelly’s.
Colleen Kelly: Spicy food.
Katie Needham: McDonald’s.
Lauren Garmes: Peanut butter.

FN: Anything else you want to share?

Katie Needham: Don’t be too shy to stop by the front porch.

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“Rocky Horror Picture Show”

The sci-fi, horror show will challenges students’ ideas about art, diversity, director said

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Students expecting a typical night of dancing at Tim’s this week will be in for a surprise.

“The Rocky Horror Picture Show” is being put on at Timothy’s Bar and Grill on Wednesday and Thursday night. The show is an independent project produced by a collective group of UD students that call themselves The Annual Transylvanian Convention. The show is co-directed by fifth-year Darren Brown and senior Kati Bakes, and choreographed by junior Mallory Green.

The version being put on by the group of students is more theatrical than the typical “Rocky Horror,” Brown said it will be completely unique, and that the audience participation show don’t usually have this kind of detail.

“The audience should absolutely dress up and come with no expectations, because if they do they won’t have a full experience,” Green said.

Unlike typical midnight performances, the actors will be wearing microphones and dancing original choreography. The show also has original stage design.

“It will be rowdy; it will be fun,” Brown said.

According to www.rockyhorror.com, “The Rocky Horror Show,” a Broadway style musical that parodies and gives tribute to 1950s horror and sci-fi films, opened in London in 1973 and was successful there and in the U.S. In 1975, a film version of the musical called “The Rocky Horror Picture Show” premiered in London and in the U.S. The film was a failure with general audiences.

In 1976 the film was shown as a midnight movie in New York City and quickly became a cult phenomenon. Within months, audience members were dressing as their favorite characters, bringing props to act out the scenes, dancing in the aisles and calling out lines at the screen. Since then, the show has evolved into an audience participation event, where actors sing, dance, and act out the show while the film is shown in the background.

Another unique aspect to this particular show is its location, since most productions are performed in theaters. Brown, Bakes, and Green said that Tim’s is the perfect atmosphere for the theme of the show. UD students tend to be apathetic about campus events, they said, and they hoped the location would draw in students who wouldn’t normally attend an artistic performance.

“We’re tricking the beer pongers into supporting the arts,” Bakes said.

Brown said that he has wanted to put on a production of “Rocky Horror” near UD’s campus for the past four years. He decided this year he would make it happen and asked Bakes to co-direct.

The show has had several challenges and difficulties due to its independent nature. The performers have had difficulty finding practice space and publicizing the show. Because of these difficulties, Brown called the production “garage band theatre” and Green referred to the chorus as a “living room dance team.”

Brown said that UD students need a show like this to challenge students’ ideas of the arts and diversity on campus. Bakes agreed that the show provides a diversity of perspective on gender, sexuality, death, life and creation that isn’t readily available on campus. They said they are providing exposure to material not often seen at UD to students who might want it.

Students who may be hesitant should come with an open mind to experience something unique and fun for the UD community, Brown said.

“It will be a breath of fresh air for the UD community,” Brown said.

“How to Go

**WHAT** “The Rocky Horror Picture Show”

**WHEN**
10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; Doors open at 9 p.m.

**WHERE** Timothy’s Bar and Grill

**COST** $3 at the door

**INFO** Ages 18 and up. Profits benefit an unnamed LGBT organization.

**ROCKY HORROR SHOW ETIQUETTE**

The show is an audience participation event. Here’s what first-timers need to know, courtesy of www.rockyhorror.com, the official site for the “Rocky Horror” fan club.

**A SENSE OF HUMOR**—The nature of the show means you may be surrounded by people dressed in suggestive costumes, covered in confetti, or squirited with water.

**DRESSING UP**—Audience members often dress as their favorite characters from the show. Elaborate makeup and suggestive clothing, such as fishnets, is common. Check out www.rockyhorror.com for pictures, character descriptions and costume ideas.

**CALLBACKS**—The show is interactive, and audience members not only sing and dance along, but call out lines at the screen. The lines vary depending on the theater and city the show is performed in, so just be prepared to follow along with the actors and other audience members.

**PROPS**—There are several parts of the show that require props for the audience to act them out. Here are the props you need: a newspaper, a water pistol, a flashlight, rubber gloves, noisemakers, party hats, confetti, toilet paper, a bell and a deck of cards. Don’t bring anything you’ll want back at the end of the night. Also, experienced fans take note that food props (i.e., toast), a part of some productions, are not allowed at Tim’s.

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Science doesn’t rule

Well-rounded education based on restrictive system, students need options

I am an English major, and therefore I dislike science.

To me, science classes are a hurdle, just another gen-ed that I have to force myself to trudge through. This struggle is made better by friendly professors, but it is the courses themselves with which I have a problem.

When scheduling this past week, I was annoyed, but not surprised, to see that I had one option for my next science credit: biology. Because I am on the “Integrated Science Track,” I really have no say in any of the science classes that I take. Oh, wait — at one point I was given the choice between Geology and Chemistry.

As much as I loathe science, the burden of taking it could be lightened if the courses were ones that I hadn’t already taken in high school, offered with some variety, and actually held my interest.

Of the three science courses that I must take in order to graduate, my options are limited to four classes: Physics, Geology, Chemistry, and Biology. These are all classes that were offered to me when I was in high school six years ago. In fact, I took three of those classes back then, so these “college level” courses are merely serving as a review for what I have already learned.

Second, I feel like there is no variety. When it comes to my perspective on science, I definitely believe in subjecting myself to the lesser of the evils, and my mandatory biology class is definitely not it. My sister was an English major at Wittenberg University, and her science requirement were to take any science class and any lab. I believe that having this much of a choice and variety would be more appealing to non-science majors.

I also talked to some Engineering majors who admitted that while they were required to take certain entry-level humanities courses, they were given the freedom to choose whichever upper-level courses they wanted to satisfy their degree’s requirements. They all agreed that while they didn’t necessarily want to take these humanity courses for the same reason that I am not interested in taking science courses, the freedom of choice within this requirement was preferred over having no choice at all.

The University of Dayton provides a well-rounded education for its students, but I believe that this should not be based on a system of restriction. I think that part of the reason that I resent science is because I have no room to decide for myself what classes I can take. In coming to college, I had hoped to take classes that not only challenged me, but that piqued my interest. In that respect, Dayton’s science program has failed me.

Word on the street...

Are you adopting a kid for Christmas on Campus this year?

“Community discourse is the most important thing journalism does. For that to work, we need to reflect all of our community.”

Mark N. Trahan, editorial page editor, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, 2001

“’I did last year, but I was too busy to make it during registration last week. I’ll tag along with a friend.’

AMANDA ANDREWS, SOPHOMORE

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“No, but I volunteered to paint faces in KU Field.”

JULIE ANTON, JUNIOR

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“Yes, my birthday’s on Christmas and I’m really into the holidays. It felt like the right thing to do.”

PETER WEST, FRESHMAN

UNDECIDED BUSINESS
**letters to the editor**

**Majority opinion should not determine Proposition 8, legislature ignoring minority**

With the passage of Proposition 8 in California, it seems that the so-called “tyranny of Judges” has been replaced with the tyranny of the majority.

When the California Supreme Court overturned the existing law that banned same-sex marriage in the state, religious conservatives were outraged, claiming that the ruling was an example of the “tyranny of judges” trying to squash the will of the people.

Now, I am a believer in democracy and I believe in majority rule, just not absolute majority rule. The idea that everything the majority of citizens would vote for is what is right for the country has never been the founding principle of this country and is in fact unconstitutional. Do we put every law to a public vote back in 1920, women would still be fighting that battle.

If segregation had been decided purely by public vote in the 1950’s, it would still be fighting that battle. The carefree days are over, my friends. We are old and unashionable. We cannot take any risks or have great dreams. The senior class is right to look at things realistically.

But what does “thinking realistically” really mean? Honestly, I am disturbed that many people in the senior class hold the above to be true. Life is not over after 22. There is so much more to experience. I’m not just talking about finding that first job, getting married or having kids. I’m talking about living life and not succumbing to depressing “truths” about adult life that people box themselves into.

I am 22 years old and I am taking risks, loving life and being the best person I can. If you are cutting yourself short at 22, then you really need to re-evaluate what is important to you in your own life.

**political cartoon**

If I hear “Don’t Stop Believing” one more time, I’m pretty sure an aneurysm will explode in my head.

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1998
Last NCAA Tournament appearance for the men’s soccer team. The Flyers defeated UMass in this year’s Atlantic 10 Championship game, and earned an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

75
Yards of offense by the Dayton football team in Saturday’s loss to Morehead State.

24
Punts between the Flyers and Morehead State in Saturday’s game. The Flyers punted 11 times while Morehead State punted 13 times. The amount of total punts in the game was nine more than total first downs in the game (15).

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Amount of A-10 losses for the volleyball team this season. Both of the losses came against Saint Louis. The road will not get any easier, as the Billikens host the A-10 Tournament this year.

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Wrestling team pins tournament title
Dayton takes first place at first-ever Flyer Invitational Tournament Saturday

TIM KEATING
Staff Writer

In a tournament that is to become an annual event, the Flyers took first place followed by Bowling Green and Ohio State. “It was a good team effort. Being our first home tournament we just wanted everything to go well and put up a fight, but coming away as team champions made it even better,” senior club founder Scott Kelly said.

In a tournament that included nine schools from Ohio, Minnesota, Virginia, Michigan and Indiana, there was plenty of talent.

Craig Blike (141 lbs.), Jason Lousin (184 lbs.), Frederick “Fritz” Schoolfield (235 lbs.) and Frank Chiodo (heavyweight) all took first place for Dayton in their individual weight classes.

“I’m just happy that we could put on a tournament at home that went really well, and that we could pull out a win against league powerhouse like Bowling Green and Southern Virginia,” Blike said.

A wrestling tournament at UD is a sight that has not been seen since the mid-1980s.

The Dayton Club Wrestling Team was established in 2005 when Kelly circulated a petition and was able to produce enough signatures in support of a club team.

“I was surprised to learn UD didn’t already have a club team, so when I found out there wasn’t a team, starting it was something that I wanted to do,” Kelly said.

While wrestling was a varsity sport at UD until the mid-1980s, the university was forced to disband the wrestling team with the introduction of Title IX. With the opening of the RecPlex in early 2006, the school agreed to purchase a wrestling mat and allow for the formation of the club.

As a long time wrestling coach, Blike has been able to attract a lot of talent from around the region, including a strong team from the University of Cincinnati.

“We have a lot of potential here, and we’re looking to be a North Central top competitor,” Kelly said.

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A pair of wrestlers participate in a match at the Flyer Invitational Tournament on Saturday. The Flyers captured the inaugural tournament championship.

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Flyers narrowly survive season opener in win over Terriers

CORY GRIFFIN
Sports Editor

There weren't many bright spots in the first half of the Flyers' 52-49 season opener victory over the Wofford Terriers.

It wasn’t just the nine turnovers that were cause for concern, but the Flyers were being out-rebounded 17-11 by a team much smaller in stature.

Nobody on the team was playing their best basketball, but sophomore forward Chris Wright and junior guard Marcus Johnson gave the Flyers enough support to give them a halftime lead after trailing most of the first half.

After a stint on the bench, Johnson came in to the game with 14 minutes remaining in the half, immediately knocking down a 3-pointer. On the other end of the court, the swingman took a charge the very next play. It became a momentum boost the team needed in order to overcome its sloppy play.

“We just try to bring a lot of energy. We know sometimes that the game isn’t going to be very pretty,” Wright said. “Even in the game those key blocks, those loose balls, and those charges, that’s what’s going to win you games.”

The team continued their sloppy play throughout the first half. Perhaps the main reason that the team led at the break was because of Johnson and Wright. A huge block by Johnson with 24 seconds remaining in the first half gave the Flyers the final possession, in which Wright knocked down a tough, contested jumper as the horn sounded.

“I’m not going to be able to drive and just dunk every time, so I have to work on that,” Wright said.

As the second half started, Johnson knocked down another trey to start the half. A couple of possessions later, London Warren fed Wright with an alley-oop to ignite the crowd for the first time since the team ran onto the court prior to the game. It not only got the crowd excited, but the effort by the rest of the team followed their example.

The Flyers continued to struggle offensively, turning the ball over several times throughout the half. But Johnson and Wright made key offensive plays throughout the course of the game while also displaying a defensive presence.

“Those guys provided a spark defensively as well,” Gregory said. “We just have to take some steps in other places as well.”

When the Flyers found themselves down 44-41, it was Johnson knocking down another 3 to tie the score with 4:10 to go in the game. A minute later, it was Johnson again stealing an open-court pass and jetting his way down the court for a big dunk to bring the crowd back to its feet.

The team rallied for a 32-49 victory, despite being out-rebounded by Wofford. Both Wright and Johnson finished with 17 points and four rebounds apiece, and they will try and rally the team this week in practice for Wednesday’s game against Delaware State.

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On the campus of Duquesne University, the Dayton Flyers completed their goal of a conference championship. In the first step toward the crown, the third-seeded Flyers defeated the Rhode Island Rams 3-2. Isaac Kissi, Florian DeCamps and Jeff Popella all scored goals.

Head coach Dennis Currier called the quarterfinal win an emotional victory for the Flyers. After a goal by the Rams in the ninth minute of the match, the Flyers found themselves trailing early and had to battle back to keep their dreams alive. The Flyers buckled down on defense from that point on, giving their offense the shots they needed to advance.

Dayton seemed to have all the answers in their first tournament game, scoring the eventual game-winning goal just 31 seconds after Rhode Island tied the game in the second half.

“The key to the victory was good balance. We had great defense out there that gave us a chance,” Currier said.

The win propelled the Flyers to the semifinals, where they faced second-seeded Temple in a nail-biting overtime victory. The Flyers won their first overtime game in three years as senior Florian DeCamps’ knocked in junior Zach Weiss’ corner kick.

The win avenged a previous loss to the Owls this season, a 4-2 defeat Oct. 31. That loss snapped Dayton’s school-record 10-game win streak.

The Flyers returned the favor to the Owls, ending their six-game winning streak with the semifinal victory.

The low scoring game wasn’t because of a lack of opportunity, as the Flyers had multiple chances in the first half to put the game away.

In a game that featured 28 fouls and eight yellow cards, the Flyers pushed, shoved and kicked their way into the finals of the A-10 Tournament.

“The golden goal was DeCamps’ second of the contest (and ninth on the season). Temple (10-5-4) put up a fight, tying the game late in the second half on a goal by J.T. Noone. The game was close throughout, with Temple and Dayton both recording eight shots in the first half alone.

The game almost didn’t even get to overtime, however, as Alex Torda nearly headed the Flyers to victory with five minutes remaining in regulation.

In the end it was the Flyers’ strength-set pieces that led to their game-winning opportunity. Multiple corner kicks at the end of regulation and in overtime proved to be the difference for the Flyers.

Freshman goalkeeper Tyler Picard saved the Flyers’ tournament hopes with an impressive save in the first minute of overtime. The save gave the Flyers the momentum they needed, leading to DeCamps’ goal and a berth in the championship game versus first-seeded UMass.

In the championship game Sunday, the Flyers capitalized on an own goal in the 18th minute to guarantee the Flyers their first NCAA Tournament berth since 1998, when the Flyers lost to Lafayette in the Play-In Game.

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