COMING TO TERMS:
Weighing financial options to stay in school

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Staff Writer

The words “loan,” “money” and “economy” all carry a common feeling among University of Dayton students: stress.

Freshman Michelle Hey is no stranger to the stress caused by the high price to attend UD.

“I knew it wasn’t going to be cheap and I knew I would have to pay student loans,” Hey said. “Because of the economy and the raise in tuition every year, my feeling among University of Dayton students: stress.

It’s going away any time soon.

“I feel that if the economy gets worse, it might cost more to come here,” Bausch said.

Like Hey, Bausch has enjoyed his time at UD, but feels pressure to do well in school so he can keep his scholarship. Bausch said when he first came to UD he didn’t think much about money. After he found out his scholarship was in jeopardy, reality hit him fast.

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UD alumna makes “Survivor”

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Dayton native and University of Dayton graduate Candace Smith will be one of the 16 contestants featured on CBS’s “Survivor: Tocantins,” which will begin airing Feb. 12.

Smith, a 1994 Chaminade-Julienne High School graduate, attended UD where she majored in psychology and ran varsity track. While at UD, she gained experience she says prepared her for later on.

“It was a warm community that encouraged me to explore diverse interests, including theatre, track and field, the dance team and even a tour of the Civil Rights Movement in the South,” she said.

Graduating in 1998, she continued her studies at Northwestern Law School. In 2003, the 31-year-old received the title of Miss Ohio, which ultimately led her to compete in the Miss USA 2003 pageant.

After passing the Ohio Bar Exam, Smith decided to pursue a career in acting. She is currently completing the filming of Broken Lizard’s Slammin’ Salmon, alongside Michael Clarke Duncan, and the flick will be featured at the Slamdance Film Festival. When not acting, she has also taken an interest in modeling. Her Web site, candacesmith.com, provides a gallery of her most recent photographs taken, as well as her latest project, Sean “Diddy” Combs’ Circo Vodka video.

Though she currently resides in Los Angeles, Smith hasn’t left her hometown for good. Her family still lives in Dayton and she visits the area often.

“I just spent New Year’s Eve in Dayton,” she said. “Jan. 15 is Candace Smith Day.”

Tune in Feb. 12 to see if our fellow Flyer will be the last survivor standing.

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KIM LONGVILLE, JUNIOR

each have their own story, but agree that the economy’s current situation is adding to the pressure of student loans.

Director of Financial Aid Kathy Harmon understands the stress students feel. She also said there are an abundance of scholarships offered to students to cut down on that stress.

“We have approximately 600 endowed scholarships, gifts of scholarships given to UD by families, alumni, corporations and foundations,” Harmon said.

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“Believe in personal testaments — forget about big history, put a human perspective to a story,” said fifth-year human rights major Clémentine B. Igilibambe.

As a Rwandan refugee, her personal testament stems from the conflict that affects Africa today.

Igilibambe said she had a happy childhood in Gisenyi, Rwanda, during more peaceful times. After gaining independence from Belgium in 1962, Rwanda faced a tug-of-war for power between two main ethnic groups — the Hutu and the Tutsi. Descendants of both groups, Igilibambe’s family didn’t focus on ethnic differences.

“We didn’t talk about it,” she said. “Not until the president was killed.”

In 1994, when Igilibambe was 8, an unknown group shot down the Rwandan president’s plane, sparking genocide. The president was Hutu, and for the next four months, an estimated 800,000 people were killed. The victims included politicians and others suspected of being Tutsis.

“You would be at the wrong place at the wrong time, and you would be killed,” Igilibambe said.

Because of Hotel Rwanda and other portrayals, American’s often associate Rwanda with this genocide, said Igilibambe, but Rwanda also faced a revolution in which Tutsis were killing Hutus.

“It’s not black and white. Both [Hutus and Tutsis] were victims. Everyone got affected. You had to be there to understand what was going on.”

Igilibambe lost family on both sides.

“No matter the numbers, it’s all death and it hurts. We all lost and we need to acknowledge that.”

Approximately two million refugees fled Rwanda, including Igilibambe’s family. They eventually settled in Kenya in a refugee community.

They faced more hardships, but children in Igilibambe’s family joined a dance group started by another refugee. Spectators watched them practice in a church.

“Some would cry, saying ‘look at all they’ve been through,’” she said. Others paid the children to perform and the money paid for food. “We fed the family through dancing.”

In 1999 the family obtained visas for America. They moved to Dayton and Igilibambe attended Chaminade-Julienne High School. Leaving was painful.

“The hardest part was leaving people behind. It still hurts: survivor’s guilt. Family members still call saying how hungry they are or that they can’t afford school fees.”

After two years at UD, Igilibambe switched her major from pre-medicine to international studies with a concentration in human rights. “I just knew I wanted to promote change.”

News stories remind Igilibambe of her experiences.

“When I see the crises in Sudan, that really reminds me,” she said. “Or when I see hunger and human rights violations...it really pains me.”

The news negatively portrays Africa, said Igilibambe.

“They don’t show the beautiful landscapes, the culture, the family values. Instead, they show suffering kids with flies on them, which is good, because it calls for help, but it also discourages people from going there and learning more.”

Igilibambe believes Africa can change.

“When Africa stops relying on the outside world,” she said, “then they will move ahead.”

She said forgiving some of their debt and promoting democracy will help, though she warns against corruption.

Igilibambe speaks about her experiences in Rwanda throughout America through talks that promote awareness but remind her of the struggles.

“Every time I give a speech, there’s something new I remember,” she said. “I relive something else each time.”

These speeches also help to fund the scholarship Igilibambe created, the Clémentine Refugee Scholarship Fund. Refugee students often must pay for their own education but can’t always find cosigner’s for loans because they’re not citizens. Then they also need to work full-time, pay for rent and send money to family in their native country.

“I thought, ‘We have been stripped of so much already... and on top of that we can’t even get education, and that’s what’s supposed to be helping us?’”

After graduation Igilibambe plans take a year off to study for the LSAT and move to Washington, D.C., or New York and to find a legal job to introduce her to her career. She will promote her scholarship and a book or movie about her life may also appear in the future.

“I would put everything in there,” she said, explaining she hopes to tell the truth of what happened in Rwanda.

Igilibambe wants to live in America, but she would like to visit Rwanda. “They need to rebuild, and I would like to help.”

For more information about the Clémentine Refugee Scholarship Fund, please contact The Dayton Foundation.

Above: Igilibambe with her two older brothers and grandmother in Africa. Photo contributed by Igilibambe. Top: Briana Snyder/Photography editor.
COYOTE DECOYS FENDING OFF GEESE

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So what happens to the university’s sports fields during the winter months when they aren’t getting much use?

It isn’t pretty.

The Canada goose is known for the ability to produce absurd amounts of feces and does just that all over UD’s fields while they are not occupied. Luckily, facilities management had a solution: bring in the predators, sort of.

Sports turf and irrigation for the University of Dayton has adopted a unique strategy for fending off the geese that ruin the baseball, softball, practice football and practice soccer fields. They brought in coy decoys.

“Dogs and coyotes and things of the like are a natural predator to Canadian geese,” said Charles Shelley, head of sports turf and irrigation. “We made some cutouts and painted them and they seem to work pretty well.”

Canada geese eat a variety of grasses but sports fields appeal to them so much because their digestive systems benefit from having some gravelly or grainy substance come along with the grass—much like the infield mix found on a baseball diamond, according to the University of Michigan Museum of Zoology. The geese can eat three to five pounds of grass per day and all of that weight is coming back out the other end in the form of defecation.

These pseudo-predators are cut out of plastic and serve the same purpose as a scarecrow. They have mostly prevented the geese from damaging the fields, which has been a big problem in the past.

“Several years ago while we still had the tarp down for the winter a group of geese had gotten into this area and just the feces they left on the field tarp, it was incredible,” Shelley said. “I mean, we literally had to shovel it off.”

Eventually, the geese get used to the coyote cutouts and they have to be moved once or twice a month.

“The geese get a little bit bolder when they notice [the cutout] is not moving,” Shelley said.

With just that small amount of maintenance, the $5 coyotes have turned out to be a valuable investment over other, more expensive methods of getting rid of the geese.

Go take a look at the coyote on the practice soccer field near Brown and Stewart streets, while the coyote would be an excellent addition to any ghetto house décor, resist the urge to take it. It is serving a purpose.

“I would say they’re probably 80 percent effective,” Shelley said.

Health Center offering, advising flu shots

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It’s not too late to get a flu shot for this winter season and the UD Health Center still has a limited number of vaccines available.

Though many people believe January is too late for a flu shot to be effective (as October and November are the prime times to get one) but this isn’t the case, according to Denise Ross, director of nursing for the UD Health Center.

“Getting vaccinated in December or later can still be beneficial,” Ross said. “[However], remember that it takes approximately two weeks after you get the shot to develop the antibodies that protect against the influenza virus.”

Flu shots are not for the stomach flu, though, Ross said. Flu shots will protect you from influenza, which is the sudden onset of body aches, high fever, cough, sore throat or a headache.

“Anyone with severe respiratory symptoms accompanied by fever should be seen by a doctor as soon as possible as anti-viral medications are only beneficial if started in the first 48 hours of symptoms,” Ross said.

The Health Center has given out approximately 300 flu shots this year. Ross advises students get the $20 flu shot because “it is the best way to protect yourself and others against the influenza.”

So far this winter season has been mild in terms of the flu but Ross said that the Health Center is beginning to see a few cases.

“Usually we have a few weeks with many cases and it is very contagious,” Ross said.

To make an appointment for a flu shot call the UD Health Center at 937-229-3131.

Brown Street Moe’s closes

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News Editor

Chipotle once again reigns as Brown Street’s only burrito king. Jason Godfrey, owner of Moe’s Southwest Grill at 1120 Brown St., announced Jan. 14 that he is closing the doors of the business.

He wanted to focus his efforts on his other location at 2495 Commons Blvd. in Beavercreek,” said Lauren McGowen, public relations manager for the parent company of the Moe’s Southwest Grill restaurant chain.

“While this owner does not have plans to reopen the location in Dayton, Moe’s corporate would be happy to speak with interested parties about the opportunity.”

For now, one will have to get his or her burrito fix somewhere else.

COC FOUNDER PASSES AWAY AT 82

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Ellie Kurtz, founder of UD’s Christmas on Campus and deliverer of Christmas magic to Dayton children since 1964, died Jan. 16. She was 82.

Kurtz started a tradition that is unlike any other in hopes of letting UD students and faculty celebrate Christmas as a family before going home for winter break. Despite her age, Kurtz had continued attending Christmas on Campus until last year.

“Every year she came back to Christmas on Campus.” Lauren Hackman, coordinator of COC, said. “She was always at opening ceremonies where we welcome everyone and then she would walk around, talk to people and admire the activities and fun.”

The number of children’s wishes that come true through Christ-
Health professional fraternity easing children’s surgery fears

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The Alpha Epsilon Delta fraternity is joining hands with Sesame Street’s Elmo in hopes of easing the nerves of patients at the Dayton Children’s Hospital.

The health professional honor society does volunteer work with pre-surgical tours at the hospital by familiarizing the children with the operating rooms and medical equipment. AED member Diana Tec said. This allows the children to get up close to everything and even test it out for themselves.

Tec said that in one case, her group of children was so shy that she had to let them test out the equipment on her: a child-sized blood pressure cuff.

“It was painful, I’m not going to lie,” Tec said.

But the pain was worth it because the extra effort she made to interact with the children opened them up. “That transformation is the best part of the tour because all the kids are scared,” she said. “You made a difference. It’s a big deal.”

Tec says the tours also lighten the yolk of the parents’ job because volunteers answer the children’s questions and explain the medical equipment to them. It is often challenging to gently describe things like anesthesia to the children in a way they will not be scared by it. An Elmo doll makes the children feel more at ease, she said.

Tec said that the children she works with are all there for outpatient surgeries and since they are in a group she does not address the children’s individual surgeries, but the experience of surgery in general.

AED Historian Tiffany Bell is involved in both pre-surgical tours and Child Life at the Dayton Children’s Hospital. The primary goal of Child Life is to lighten up the children’s hospital experience. Volunteers work with children to “get them out of their room and interacting with other people so they don’t get depressed and hopefully get better faster,” Bell said.

Volunteers bring around an “Art Cart” to the patients and they can make crafts like the scarecrow they made for Thanksgiving.

She said some of the children have circumstances like weak immune systems or highly contagious infections that keep them from being able to play with the other kids. This does not dissuade her from making her visits. In cases like these, Bell and other volunteers dress in the appropriate medical protective gear so that the kids can still get their Child Life fix.

UD students who are interested in joining Alpha Epsilon Delta do not need to be majoring in pre-medicine, they just need to be in any health-related major such as pre-physical therapy.

The GPA requirement for the UD chapter of AED is 3.3, one point higher than the national minimum. Both overall GPA and a combined math and science GPA are considered in the pledging process.

RecPlex hosting Student Wellness Fair

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Staff Writer

The Student Wellness Fair will be held Wednesday from noon to 7 p.m. in the RecPlex, for an opportunity to learn about living a healthy and well-balanced life. Amanda Bachman, RecPlex fitness programming assistant said.

The core subjects focused on during the fair will be the Seven Dimensions of Wellness: social, spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual, occupational and environmental.

“In order to live your life in balance and strive for wellness, all seven dimensions need to be healthily fulfilled,” Bachman said. “If one dimension is suffering, so will the other dimensions.”

The RecPlex brought together student clubs, community organizations and UD departments in order to show students how to better live each dimension. Some of these include Health and Sport Science, Premier Health Screening and College for Cancer Education.

Along with these groups providing information, there will also be activities to participate in. Live music, chair massages, quizzes and a wellness wheel are just a few of the many activities offered.

Many students and staff have been busily planning the fair for the past five months. All of the design is attributed to UD student Amanda Lambert, the Wellness Fair programming assistant for the RecPlex. A student volunteer committee consisting of Jamie Scholdt, Lauren Kort, Colin Riley, Jenn Antoon and Allison Reck, was formed to help with the planning of the fair and also to get student organizations involved.

There will also be free health screenings, educational opportunities and giveaways throughout the day.

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety on Jan. 17 through Jan. 20. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.

Crime Log

Theft
Jan. 17, 12:06 p.m.
Officer Russell was dispatched to a UD-owned residence on Lowes Street. A UD student said someone entered the residence through an unlocked front door and removed a 42-inch television sometime between 7:30 a.m. and 5 a.m. on Jan. 17. Valued at $800 to $900, the Vizio television was black and silver with the serial number LBULJPAPCH4435556.

Burglary
Jan. 17, 4:35 p.m.
Officer Russell was dispatched to a UD-owned residence on Lowes Street. Two UD students said someone had entered their residence and taken their property: her JBL On Stage speakers, valued at $160, missing at 3 p.m. The second complainant said her iPod nano 2 GB, valued around $200, was also missing. There was no sign of forced entry.

Theft
Jan. 20, 7:50 p.m.
Officer Barber was dispatched to Alberta Street where he met with a UD student who said someone stole her iPod Chromatic from the living room of her residence sometime between the hours of 11:59 p.m. on Jan. 17 and 1 a.m. on Jan. 18. She also said during this time there was a party at the residence. The complainant wished not to criminally prosecute anyone.
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Freshmen David McRoberts, Jordan Mass and Tyler Drabenstot wait in the snow outside of Stuart Hall for the bus that will take them to the men’s basketball game. BRANNA SNYDER/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

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“Instead of students reviewing the hundreds of scholarships and completing separate applications for each one, we have one scholarship application. We then review the applications and make scholarship awards, in effect, matching students who meet the different criteria with a scholarship.”

Harmon said financial aid has helped students in a variety of situations. She remembers the many success stories her department has been a part of, regarding grants and scholarships.

“We have assisted students with parents who have lost a job,” she said. “We have assisted students who were in danger of losing their scholarship due to low academic achievement. However, with time and dedication, they’ve met and often exceeded the GPA requirements.”

Searching the Internet for grants and scholarships is one way students can help themselves, but Harmon said the Internet is not the only option.

“The best place to search for additional scholarships, are through local organizations,” she said. “Think of employers in your hometown, or civic, fraternal or religious organizations to which family members belong to. “These sources are often

where students find additional scholarships and the odds are better for you than many online scholarship searches.”

Director of Student Employment and Associate Director of Financial Aid Don Vince said students should know getting a scholarship does not mean students need to have a 4.0 GPA.

“When applying for scholarships, the plan does not have to be elaborate at all,” Vince said. “Successful applicants are those that are engaged in the classroom, have solid GPA’s and are involved in campus activities.”

Vince said he understands loans can carry high interest rates and said students should always fill out any paperwork that will help them receive low interest rate loans.

“Students considering loans should begin by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), regardless of their families’ income,” Vince said. “This step ensures that students are considered for federal loans such as the Stafford and Perkins Loans. These loans generally have the lowest interest rates and, on average, students can receive $5,500 to $7,500 per academic year.”

The idea of loans can cause frustration and many similar emotions. Hey said she’s been feeling many frustrations. However, she hasn’t given up yet.

“Knowing there’s a good chance I probably won’t be returning next year is hard,” she said. “I’m just going to make sure I cherish my last days here.”

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Gender-neutral gaming on rise

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Assistant A&E Editor

Video games are not just for men. Sophomore Cara Miller, a member of UD’s Fantasy and Science Fiction Appreciation Club since October, doesn’t see a gender gap when it comes to gaming.

“I’ll play any game that ends up in front of me, blood thirsty zombies and all,” she said.

FASFAC has given two decades of students like Miller, who enjoy fantasy, science-fiction, horror, video games and movies, an outlet to meet and share these interests together on a weekly basis.

Currently, there are 30 active members and more than 70 total. Of these, there are only eight female participants.

Miller, however, is not bothered.

“I don’t think there ever really was a gender gap, at least not for me,” she said.

Miller said joining FASFAC in October was the best decision she made this school year and believes that systems such as the Wii offer a range of gender-neutral options for female gamers.

Fellow member senior Heather Brooks, who has been an official member of FASFAC for almost a year, has a different perspective.

“My belief is that gaming and sci-fi is often depicted as masculine interests,” she said. “While growing up, girls are often given dolls and Barbies to play with while boys often get action figures, toy guns and maybe even an Xbox if they’re lucky.”

While she does recognize gaming as a predominantly male activity, she said she does not see differences in interests in the games and genres that males and females prefer.

“A lot of gaming and sci-fi things are made for and advertised to young men,” Brooks said. “All of this tends to build up a larger male population with gaming and sci-fi interests.”

While senior Adam Hake, FASFAC secretary and Web master, admits the ratio is not equal, he said that the amount of female members has actually increased in recent years.

According to Hake, when it comes to actually playing video games, the personal taste factor is more significant than the player’s gender.

“Quite honestly, it’s different for everyone,” he said. “There are girl gamers out there that enjoy FPS (first-person shooters), RPGs (role-playing games), action/adventure titles, survival horror, and even puzzle games and platformers.”

Hale said that more recent games such as those found on the Wii have closed both gender and age gaps. However, according to Hale, this is not the first time that games have been aimed at women.

“The gender gap has been bridged several times in the past,” he said. “Strong female characters can be found in several mainstream titles, like Samus Aran from Metroid, released in 1986, and recently, Faith from Mirror’s Edge.”

While participants still debate this hot topic, they agree that women in this UD club receive equal opportunity and encouragement to pursue their fantasy and science-fiction interests.

“There is still a gender gap,” Brooks said. “But the gap is closing with the help of more diverse advertising and a shift in society’s perception of gaming.”

FASFAC will be hosting the 16th annual UD Con XVI: Ninjas vs. Pirates Feb. 7 to 8. The event will include video games, tabletop gaming, card and board games, vendors, Nerf and more. Gaming for a Cause, a charity event benefiting the Children’s Medical Center of Dayton, will be the feature event of the weekend.

HOW TO GO

WHAT
16th Annual UD Con XVI: Ninjas vs. Pirates

WHEN
Feb. 7: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Feb. 8: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Get out: Inexpensive things to do around town

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1 CAFÉ BOULEVARD

With live jazz every Friday night, this gem in downtown Dayton has three patios that make it the perfect urban getaway and a great place to unwind and relax. For you over 21-year-olds folks, the café has martini specials and in-house made cocktails. If you’re not quite of age, the café is still a great place to enjoy live music and European inspired cuisine.

WHERE: 329 E. Fifth St.
HOURS: 5 to 9 p.m. Mon. - Thurs. 5 to 10 p.m. Fri. - Sun.
The lounge is open until 1 a.m.
COST: $9 to $25
WEB SITE: www.cafeboulevard.com

2 DAYTON ART EVENTS

ArtStreet is offering a $10 cash back subsidy to students for attending any professional Dayton arts event or performance, from “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang” at the Schuster Center to the Golden Dragon Acrobats at the Victoria Theatre. With the rebate, students can end up paying as little as $9 for these Broadway events. In order for this offer to apply, you must bring your student ID, ticket stub and receipt to ArtStreet office Monday to Friday between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Cash back is only limited to $10 per person, per event. The paid ticket price in order to receive cash back must be $10 or more. For more information call 937-229-5101 or e-mail artstreet@udayton.edu.

3 FEATHER’S VINTAGE CLOTHING

Since 1978 this vintage vinyl record, decor, and clothing store has been a hotbed of nostalgic hidden treasures from the ‘50s and up. Sheryl Crow was spotted here in 2003 and since then its popularity has begun to grow. Some of their other celebrity customers include Tommy Chong and Melissa Etheridge. The store is locally owned and operated by Dayton resident Janet Phillips.

WHERE: 440 E. Fifth St.
HOURS: Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday
WEB SITE: www.myspace.com/feathersvintage

4 RIVERSCAPE

This park features an outdoor ice-skating rink, live music, and pedal-boats during the summer and is open 365 days a year including New Years and Christmas. During the summer the RiverScape offers music in the park, a laser light show and more. RiverScape also offers ice-skating during the winter months. The Ice Rink is open seven days a week from December through February.

WHERE: 111 E. Monument Ave.
HOURS: Vary
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Bands battled with original music

ALEXIS BUHELOS
Staff Writer

The audience at the Battle of the Bands (BotB) in KU Pub on Thursday yelled and cheered to let the judges know that the Jaywalkers were the crowd’s favorite.

The Jaywalkers were awarded crowd winners and won 10 cases of Monster energy drink at the concert presented by Flyers Against Malaria and Street Sounds, which they plan to make an annual event.

The goal was to raise awareness of both original music on campus and the dangers of malaria. BotB attracted a more-than-anticipated 150 people, according to Street Sounds President and senior visual communication design major Alex Hoffman.

The event was also hosted by Flyers Against Malaria, a new student group that hopes to raise awareness on the effects of malaria in Africa.

“We hope to create awareness,” Flyers Against Malaria President Louis Suttmann said. “This is our first big event, so we really want to let students know we’re here.”

Four bands played 30-minute sets with all original music and a limit of one cover song. The Jaywalkers are made up of Drew Morrison on lead vocals and lead guitar, Alex Watson on bass and backup vocals, Sean Kaschak on guitar and Wright State student Andrew Fischer on drums.

They play rock ‘n’ roll and Americana music and find inspiration from the music they listen to and from playing with one another.

“When I hear certain songs, I’m transported to another place or feel certain emotions,” Morrison said. “Writing songs is another way of getting to that place. Recording and performing is a way of making that place available to other people, of helping them get there, too.”

Judge winner Kelly Fine and the Flying Kites earned the highest numbers from three judges. The numbers were based on originality, creativity, performance, crowd interaction and entertainment, Hoffman said. They won a free Street Sounds recording session.

Original Pop folk artist and junior Kelly Fine, who recently debuted her first EP album “Looking West,” sang lead vocals and played lead guitar. She had the help of junior Pat McInnis on backup guitar and vocals, junior Mark Heimovitz on bass and Hoffman on drums.

“The inspiration for my songs is my daily life,” Fine said. “Every song I write is like a journal entry that I express myself through, and then somehow put into music.”

Although she usually performs by herself, Fine was excited to play and loved the BotB crowd.

“Having people singing and dancing, singing the words to songs that I wrote, and the look of attention that the crowd had,” she said of her favorite thing about playing at BotB. “I feel people were really connected.”

Mays Gone, a band from Chillicothe, Ohio that plays alternative rock, and the indie rock band Edith Marie, led vocals by UD sophomore Jordan Hart, also played at BotB.


JUNIORS KATIE SUNDAY AND DREW MORRISON PERFORMED AT THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS ON THURSDAY.
COURTESY OF DREW MORRISON

OMG I J ST 8 J J ’S N I LUV IT! :)
Education:
Despite high cost of education, it is worth it

Recently, there has been quite a buzz in Flyer News about available financial aid and scholarship money. With the current state of the world economy, this makes sense. Getting an education at the college level is not getting any cheaper, especially at private schools such as UD. In order to go to school, more and more students are being forced to apply for financial aid, get scholarships and take out huge loans.

This begs the question, is getting a college education worth it when you could potentially be in debt for years to come? Would it make more sense to enter the work force and put off school for a few years (or never ever go)? These are important questions that need to be explored, but after quick analysis they are very easy to answer. Yes, it is worth the risk of being in debt and no, putting off school (or not going at all) is not a good idea.

The job market becoming more competitive by the second, a college education is becoming vital to success. In many fields, it is becoming necessary to also get a graduate degree to be considered a serious candidate by many companies.

There is money available out there. The government will pay for you to learn what they call a “critical” foreign language. The military is always looking for people and will put you through the school of your choice. Universities have scholarships and endowments for anything from research to past performance. When there is a will there is a way and there is always help out there during these tough times.

Yes, college is expensive. We go to UD so we know this very well. Despite high cost of education, it is worth it. Paying tuition was worth it. College, but in the long run there is no doubt that biting the bullet and will have been money well spent. Yes, we will all have some loans to times.

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YouTube is almost four years old, please use it responsibly

YouTube sensation Amber Lee Ettinger, or “Obama Girl.” The 26-year-old shot to fame with her jazzy, albeit tasteless video, “I Got a Crush... On Obama.” Parading around in tight clothing and crooning about her desire for the married candidate, Ettinger gained notoriety with her, um, overzealous, support.

It’s hard for me to decide whether or not the rise of YouTube is overall beneficial to the American public, and particularly, the 2008 election. On one hand, YouTube serves as a means to mock the candidate. Take Tina Fey’s spot-on Sarah Palin impression — while it might have been popular in the pre-Youtube era, it certainly wouldn’t have been watched millions upon millions of times.

In contrast, YouTube has been a great platform for candidates to reach their audiences. Speeches are easily accessible, and even the inauguration itself was posted for those who could not see it live. There were even debates in which United States citizens personally asked the candidates questions — via YouTube submission.

‘There is no doubt that the times they are a changin’. Like every new technology, YouTube has conjured both positive and negative results. Ultimately, it is up to the American people to use it responsibly and in a way that is respectful to both them and the candidates in question. Obama Girl, take notes.

Eric Suttmann, professor of audio production here at the University of Dayton, posed a question to his students: “How many of you guys know what an LP is?” To his surprise numerous students in the class raised their hands. So I ask this question, are record players old fashioned, or are they in use just as much as CDs and cassettes? If I were a betting man I would say there are easily more record players on this campus than CD players or Walkmans.

What is it that people find enjoyable about listening to LPs? I believe it is the feeling of, regardless of how cliché it sounds, an easier time. Whether it is a record that you listened to as a kid or maybe a record that one of your parents enjoyed listening to, the record puts you in a different state of mind.

You could easily make the argument that it is a hassle to have to get up and flip the record over every four or five songs, but come on, it’s a small price to pay.

Looking back at my years at UD some of the best memories I have were either having a record on during a party, or just relaxing on a week night playing darts and going through our collection of records.

You could even make the argument that if America was still listening to and buying LPs the music industry would not be in the situation they are in today. With programs such as iTunes and Ruckus, music fans can now download individual tracks. What does this do? It limits the musician to only being able to sell singles. When they put on concerts all fans want to hear is the radio single.

Recently Jenny Eliscu of Rolling Stone sat down with Jason Mraz and asked him if he felt that once you had a hit single, such as Mraz did in 2003 with “The Remedy (I Won’t Worry)”, that all the fans wanted to hear was the hit, he had this to say: “it’s happening with “I’m Yours.” Especially when you’re just doing radio and TV, you’ve only got time for one song, and of course, it’s going to be “I’m Yours” right now.

This limits the listeners experience, if they had bought the entire album they would be able to hear every track as the artist intended not just the hit single.

If I were asked if record players were a dying breed I would easily respond with a “be serious.” I would also recommend for everyone to go buy a record player, you can find used records at any store such as Half Priced Books and any small town music store. Maybe the best part of records is being able to find such great records for such a cheap price.

So sit back, listen to the crackle of the record and listen to the record the way it was meant to be played.

TIM KEATING, SENIOR ELECTRONIC MEDIA

Graduate student not happy with depiction of Pennsylvania in recent political cartoon

The “political” cartoon in the January 16 issue leaves much to be desired, like the punchline. While I don’t envy the position of the cartoonist to come up with something original, poignant and funny each week, I seem to be missing the point, which may be due in part to the fact that I am not in your target readership. However, I would be disloyal to my roots in the Keystone State if I did not point out the error of your cartoon.

Pennsylvania is not a Midwestern state, a fact with which the Census Bureau also concurs. Perhaps Pittsburgh might be considered a “Midwestern” city (after all, they do call carbonated beverages “pop” there), but to include the entire Commonwealth is inaccurate.

If you ask someone from Philadelphia if they consider themselves part of the Midwest, I would venture to guess they would get quite a chuckle out of such a cute, yet naive and uninformed geographical school of thought. So tonight as I rest my head here in the great state of Ohio, the eastern edge of the Midwest, I do so hoping to dream of things not of this land like TastyKakes, soda, hoagies, WaWa, water ice, folded pizza, fresh bagels, trips to the Jersey Shore and Joe Biden.

MARY LYNN DELFINO GRADUATE STUDENT PASTORAL MINISTRY

letters to the editor

Vinyl records provide listeners with music the way it was meant to be listened to

Vinyl records provide listeners with music the way it was meant to be listened to

“Looking back on that last election, it is hard to fathom how different it was from this past one.”

MAGGIE MALACH, SOPHOMORE ENGLISH

Last call for UD “bucket list” ideas. Send them to editor@flyernews.com

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Men’s Hoops

THE DAN FOX FACTOR
Junior walk-on guard plays important role on Dayton’s bench

ERIN SCHROEDER
Staff Writer

When athletes are asked what their favorite part of their sport is, most would say playing in games against the best competition.

Dan Fox, a junior guard for the University of Dayton men’s basketball team, has a slightly different point of view. Although as a walk-on he doesn’t see much of the floor, his job on the team is very important. The walk-on players are asked to study the other teams’ offenses and to help the scholarship players prepare for each game.

Originally from Lakeland High School in Wolcottville, Ind., Fox was not recruited to play basketball at the collegiate level. After choosing Dayton because of its small atmosphere, he decided to try out as a walk for the basketball team.

Having an opportunity to play with several great players over the past few years, he maintains that 2008 graduate Jimmy Binnie has been his greatest influence in his years wearing a Dayton jersey.

“There are not too many people that I think work as hard as I do,” Fox said. “Like many players in all conferences, Fox’s goals are not uncommon. He wishes for the team’s only two losses came in on the road against Creighton and Massachusetts. However, tough games await the Flyers in the coming weeks as two battles with Xavier and St. Joseph’s and Temple home games loom ahead. Although these games will be a challenge, Fox believes in his team.

“Running through the tunnel at the start of the games with the cheering fans is a great feeling. That I can’t get anywhere else.”

-Dan Fox

“We just need to stick to the game plan and everything will work out.”

Like many players in all conferences, Fox’s goals are not uncommon. He wishes for the Atlantic 10 Championship, along with an NCAA Tournament berth.

At the consistent rate the team is going, perhaps this is the year for such aspirations. With moments such as the Chicago Invitational win over Marquette and all the hard-fought victories, every Flyers basketball fan will be eager to see how the season turns out.

DAN FOX CAREER NUMBERS

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Walk-on junior guard Dan Fox scores his only bucket of the season against Bethune-Cookman Nov. 23. The Flyers won the game 78-38.

WILL HAMLIN/EDITOR IN CHIEF

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Points by junior guard Marcus Johnson in the first two minutes of regulation against George Washington. The Flyers needed every bit of it, as they squeezed by the Colonials 73-71. Johnson had 17 points for the game.

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Points by Kendal Ross in the women’s basketball team’s loss on Saturday in Charlotte. The 60-57 loss dropped the Flyers to 13-7 and 2-2 in the Atlantic 10. Ross also led the Flyers with 10 rebounds.

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Twelve different players on the men’s basketball team average better than 7.5 minutes per game. In an effort to utilize the team’s depth, Brian Gregory has changed to a higher standard for the team.

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Amount of times that freshman forward Justine Raterman has been named the Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Week. Raterman is currently second on the team to Kristin Daugherty with 13 points per game. Raterman leads the Flyers with 9.6 rebounds per game. Raterman is the offensive glass this season.

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The men’s basketball team has seven victories by five points or fewer so far this year. UD will need to continue its success in such games throughout the season.

But is this a good thing? Read all about it at:

www.flyernews.com
Snow days have been hard to come by this year in Dayton, but that does not have to stop you from enjoying the fun of winter. Skiing can be a fun activity for college students, even if the perfect snowfall doesn’t fall on Dayton this year. Perfect North Slopes and Mad River Mountain are two ski resorts located just over one hour away from the Dayton area. Both offer winter fun for skiers, snowboarders and people looking to have a good time going down a big hill on a snow tube.

“Skiing is perfect for hanging out with friends, getting away from everything for awhile and just having a great time,” sophomore Kevin Hoffman said.

Perfect North Slopes is located in Lawrenceburg, Ind. General admission is $43 for up to eight consecutive hours of skiing or riding, but group rates are also offered. Perfect North offers 22 trails and has a 400-foot vertical drop. Half of the trails are intermediate level, 25 percent are expert and 25 percent are beginner.

“Perfect North does not have a whole lot of jumps, but it has really wide-open runs,” sophomore Kevin Hoffman said. “I would say that it is geared toward skiing for the most part.”

Mad River Mountain is located near Columbus in Zanesfield, Ohio. Day tickets for adults are $42 but the resort also offers group rates. It offers 17 trails and has a 300-foot vertical drop. Like its competitor, half of the trails are advanced, while the other trails are split evenly for intermediate skiers and beginners.

“Mad River seems more geared toward jumps and takes better care of their terrain park with its bigger jumps and more rails for snowboarding,” Hoffman said. “Both places have similar difficulty, similar sized mountains and conveniently placed lifts.”

Whichever of these venues you choose for the rush of excitement, skiing seems to be a favorite activity of college students across the nation.

“I like the advanced hills on occasion for the adrenaline rush, but I steer away from those for the most part,” Hodapp said. “Those hills can really take a toll on you.”

While skiers may find it difficult to get out of bed the next morning due to soreness, many believe it is worth the slight pains in the following days.

“Skiing is great because it provides a different activity to do in the winter,” sophomore Samantha Sippel said. “It can be hard to get a hang of and frustrating at first, but once you get the hang of it, skiing is so much fun.”

Sophomore Jeff Gast believes that the opportunity to ski with beginners is also fun, despite his experience skiing in many of the major resorts in Michigan and Colorado.

“I like getting outside for a change and enjoying the winter weather,” Gast said. “Going skiing with people who have never done it before can also be very entertaining to watch.”

Both locations are open all day on the weekend and offer lower rates for their night sessions. Perfect North stays open until 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday while Mad River Mountain is open until 3 a.m. on the same days.

**OFF CAMPUS SKIING**

**PERFECT NORTH SLOPES**

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**MAD RIVER MOUNTAIN**

Zanesfield, Ohio

Travel Time: 1 hour, 18 minutes

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FLYERS DUNK THEIR WAY TO VICTORY OVER BONNIES

JOHN BEDELL
Assistant Sports Editor

Entering Sunday afternoon’s contest against St. Bonaventure at UD Arena, the Dayton Flyers were 11-0 at home on the season. UD had also won six in a row and eight of its last 11 meetings against the Bonnies while St. Bonaventure was 1-6 all-time at UD Arena entering Sunday.

The Bonnies were 7-0 on the road this season entering Sunday. Something had to give.

The Flyers made sure it wasn’t them, as they came away with an 80-68 win.

With the win Dayton extended its current winning streak to four games and improved to 19-2 and 4-1 in the Atlantic 10. St. Bonaventure dropped to 11-8 (2-3), and suffered its first true road loss of the season.

The game was close for much of the first half due to sloppy ball handling and poor shooting, as the two teams combined for 17 turnovers before the break. The Flyers shot 36 percent from the field and were 9 of 17 from the free-throw line, and Dayton fans went scoreless for the final four minutes of the half but still led at halftime 30-21.

“That was a critical stage,” Dayton head coach Brian Gregory said. “We took that 19-point lead and I thought we could get a couple more and maybe extend that lead to 12 or 15 points. Guys started to figure out if we threw more than two passes we were going to get good shots.”

The second half was a different game entirely. The Flyers came out running and gunning on offense throwing down dunk after dunk to push the lead to 15 with 15:54 left in the game. With the explosive offense in the second half the Flyers led by as many as 17.

Sophomore forward Chris Wright had four slams of his own.

“We talk about that all the time, when you see me running, you just throw it and I’m going to get it if I see the ball in the air,” Wright said. “They can try to throw it to the top of the glass if they want to. It’s always fun running up and down the floor like that.”

The Bonnies fought hard but the closest they were able to get was an 8-point deficit with 1:15 left as Dayton recorded the 12-point win. The Flyers had four players in double figures including Wright (19), Chris Johnson, (17), Marcus Johnson (15) and Rob Lowery (15). Dayton also shot 80 percent from the free-throw line for the game.

"Dayton has been great,” McGlade said. “I’ve been to campus before but I’m really looking forward to my first Flyers game. It’s a great campus with great facilities and great people. It’s been a pleasure working with (Athletics Director) Tim Wahlber and his staff and President Curran has been tremendously supportive.”

Benson no go this season

Brian Gregory spoke this past week about freshman forward Josh Benson’s shoulder injury. Benson suffered a torn right labrum in October and had surgery to repair the damage. Gregory said that Benson is progressing well with his recovery. When asked whether Benson will see any playing time this season, Gregory said, “No. You can put that in big capital letters. No.”

FLYERS 80
BONNIES 68

CHRIS WRIGHT 19 PTS. 9 REB.
CHRIS JOHNSON 17 PTS. 8 REB.
MARCUS JOHNSON 15 PTS. 4 REB.
ROB LOWERY 15 PTS. 7 AST.

Commentary

Wright playing with pride, having fun

WILL HANLON
Editor-in-Chief

Sophomore Chris Wright finished Sunday’s game against St. Bonaventure with a season-high 19 points that included a pair of electrifying alley-oop dunks assisted by teammate Rob Lowery. Add in three big blocks and a 7-of-7 clip from the free-throw line, and Dayton fans are starting to see what “Top Flight” Wright is capable of.

Wright’s been solid so far on the season, averaging 12.3 points and 6.8 rebounds per game coming into the game Sunday, but something seemed different against the Bonnies.

The Flyers wore throwback jerseys for the game honoring the 1973-74 and 1983-84 teams. So the question of Wright’s improvement seemed obvious: Is it the shoes?

Wright laughed, but the white and blue shoes that the Flyers wore instead of their white and red shoes didn’t seem to make the difference. Instead, it was playing with a sense of pride.

“We have to wear these jerseys with pride,” Wright said. “(BG) told us before that when we step on the floor if we weren’t wearing these jerseys with pride then there’s going to be problems.

“We just wanted to honor those guys. Those guys won a lot of games and had a lot of pride and just worked hard every day. We just wanted to go out there and honor those guys and play as hard as we could.”

But it’s more than pride that’s affecting Wright’s play as of late. Fans at the game witnessed a total of nine dunks from the Flyers Sunday afternoon, tying the program record for most dunks in a game. Think it was fun to watch? Wright and the Flyers are having their share of fun putting on the show.

Following Wright’s alley-oop dunk from Lowery with 17:10 to go in the second half, teammate Marcus Johnson recorded a steal on the next play and then added a dunk of his own. UD Arena exploded, and so did the Flyers. Wright ran to center of the court pounding his chest, jumping up in the air and screaming.

“It was just pure adrenaline,” Wright said. “I don’t even remember jumping up like that.”

Wright admitted that he had been somewhat tense when out on the floor lately, but after sitting down with head coach Brian Gregory, a solution emerged.

“I had a talk with BG the other day about just having fun and playing with a free mind. I guess he sensed that in the previous games I was kind of overthinking. I was thinking a lot as far as coverages and stuff like that,” Wright said. “But he just told me that I can’t worry about those types of things that cloud my mind. Because if you think too much out there you won’t be able to perform the way you’re capable of performing.

“That’s been working for me the last couple of games because I’ve been feeling a lot better and feeling a lot freer.”

Working indeed. Wright now has 49 points and seven blocks in the Flyers’ last three games, and the team is showing no signs of slowing down.

Wow, who knew playing with pride and having fun was the key to good basketball!