FLYERS DANCING!

Dayton facing West Virginia in its first NCAA Tournament appearance since 2004

CORY GRIFFIN
Sports Editor

“They will meet the No. 11 seed out of the Atlantic 10...” Bryant Gumbel said Sunday on the CBS Championship Selection Show broadcast nationally.

Before Gumbel could mutter “…the Dayton Flyers,” several hundred fans packed inside the Frericks Center to watch the selection show let out a roar that would rival any that UD fans have heard all season long.

Players hugged each other and sprang to their feet when the announcement was made. For the first time in six years, the Dayton Flyers men’s basketball team is headed to “The Dance.”

“I don’t even know where we’re going,” head coach Brian Gregory said as he addressed the crowd. “I wasn’t paying attention.”

The crowd shouted back, in unison, “London (Warren)!“

“London (Warren) wanted to go to Miami, but we’ll go anywhere,” Gregory said as the crowd laughed.

Gregory then pointed out his excitement for the opportunity to coach in the tournament for the second time in his career with the Flyers.

“It’s a great day for our team, it’s a great day for our program, it’s a great day for our school, and it’s a great day for our town,” he said.

Warren also addressed the crowd to thank the fans for their support throughout the season and the crowd cheered him on as his eyes filled with tears of joy.

“Yeah I was (crying), I already knew I was going to get emotional today,” Warren said. “It was a dream growing up as a child to play in the NCAA Tournament, and now that my dream has come true, it’s just exciting.”

Warren and the Flyers (26-7) will take on No. 6 seed West Virginia (23-11) in the Midwest Region. The games will take place in Minneapolis, Minn. on Friday in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, with the winner playing defending national champion and No. 3 seed Kansas (25-7) or No. 14 North Dakota State (26-6).

Being a No. 11 seed against a team from the Big East will place the Flyers as heavy underdogs according to many analysts, however the Flyers have handled their Big East competition well the past two seasons. Last season, the Flyers upset Louisville and Pittsburgh, and already defeated Marquette earlier this season.

Senior Charles Little also pointed out that Dayton and West Virginia have similar RPI ratings, and doesn’t view the team as underdogs despite the difference in seeding.

“Today is great,” Little said. “But tomorrow we’ve got to get back to work.”

The University of Dayton men’s basketball team celebrates the announcement of its selection to the NCAA Tournament on Sunday in the Frericks Center. The Flyers will be making their first appearance in six years.

SGA CandiDates UNCONTESTED, RAISES CONCERN

WILL HANLON
Editor-in-Chief

JENNIE SZINK
News Editor

Student Government Association announced at its public meeting Sunday that the candidates running for five of next year’s elected executive council positions are running uncontested, including president, vice president, vice president for residential affairs, vice president for academic affairs and vice president of finance.

This influenced an anonymous person to send an e-mail to members of SGA voicing his or her discontent with the way the elections are run.

“Willie,” the anonymous writer of the e-mail, claimed to be a member of SGA. He or she wrote a Student Resolution for a “fair Student Government Association” because he or she said the election process was “illegal.” Points from the argument included the petition signature form was not properly done, no elected member of SGA posted election information in time to elicit support from students, and election time tables and rules were never released to the general student body for consideration.

SGA vice president Emily Bonistall issued a statement at the meeting regarding the e-mail. She said “this e-mail shows clear disrespect for the organization, the executive council and the many other bcc’ed people on the document.”

Willie also sent a Flyer News editor a copy of the e-mail.

“I am disappointed not necessarily in what the e-mail said, but in the way that the information and concerns were brought to our attention,” Bonistall said.

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UD NAMES NEW PROVOST
Dr. Joseph Saliba chosen after 25 years with university

CARLY SCHOTT
Assistant News Editor

After a national search, the University of Dayton has chosen one its own as the newly named provost, Dr. Joseph Saliba.

Saliba has been involved with the university for 25 years and has served as the interim provost since July. The provost is the chief academic officer of the university, responsible for all academic schools.

“He lives and is able to articulate the Marianist charism and clearly understands the role of Catholic higher education,” the search committee wrote in its analysis of the three finalists, according to a recent press release.

“His support for diversity and intercultural initiatives is well-documented ... He has a track record of securing external funding, both for research and non-research dollars.”

Saliba came to America from Lebanon in the 1970s, according to the press release. At UD, he earned three degrees in six years, including a bachelor’s, master’s, and PhD in civil engineering, even though he only knew a little English. He continued his career at UD, hired as an assistant professor for the department of civil engineering and engineering mechanics in 1984, then as chair of the department in 1996, and then dean of the school of engineering in 2004. Under his influence as dean, the school of engineering received national recognition for its graduate programs, increased sponsored research and saw engineering enrollment peak.

Saliba is looking forward to utilizing his knowledge of UD as he officially takes over the position of provost.

“I know the campus quite intimately,” he said. “I bring a lot of understanding and know the culture.”

As interim provost, Saliba maintained contact with students even though he wasn’t teaching.

“He’s made a really conscious effort to get to know the students,” said senior Emi Hurlburt, SGA president and the only student member of the provost search committee, which included representatives from across the campus.

This interest in students led to SGA-sponsored lunches with the provost every month, events that were open to the entire campus, which would fill up within two hours of posting.

“I really enjoy being in contact with students to keep my hands on the pulse of student life,” Saliba said. “It’s important to access the status of the university from the perspective of the student.”

As provost, Saliba hopes to deal with the current troubled economy and “navigate the rough waters.” Other priorities include continuing to make UD’s general education distinctive through the Catholic and Marianist Tradition, as well as developing UD’s residential learning and living communities.

“I wish to use the unique residential opportunity here and take full advantage to use it for the betterment of education, engaging students in and out of class,” Saliba said.

Hurlburt found Saliba open and engaged in the interests of all parties involved.

“If you let him know something is important to you, he will be there,” she said. “He is always willing to listen and never closes doors.”

She also wants to encourage students to take advantage of Saliba’s “open door” approach.

“Most people don’t know what a provost is,” Hurlburt said. “Saliba is open and willing to make change and be visible. I encourage any student who has problems with academics not to hesitate to approach him.”

UD offering GIS certificate program

SARA GREEN
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton has added a certificate project in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to its list of offerings for the fall 2009 semester.

GIS technology is a beneficial tool in researching national and social sciences and can also contribute to other various areas, such as distributing networks and targeting market segments. Because of the ranges covered, there has become a more apparent and larger demand for individuals with GIS skills.

“GIS is a very flexible and marketable skill and it can be useful in a lot of job fields,” UD geology professor and GIS certificate program director Shuang-Ye Wu said in a press release. “In marketing, for example, GIS can help you identify where potential customers are, how close competitors are and where the best location for advertising or doing business might be.”

Consisting of four courses equaling 11 credit hours (Applied GIS, Remote Sensing, Advanced GIS Application and GIS Capstone), students can attain the certificate in just one year. They are offered online or during evening sessions.

Interested individuals must submit their transcript, a statement of purpose and three letters of recommendation. There is a $50 processing fee for international students only. Applications should be submitted online any time after May 1 at http://gradadmission.udayton.edu.

Providing a student meets the criteria for admission, those already enrolled in any University of Dayton Graduate program can complete the certificate.

“Put simply, GIS involves anything to do with map making and using maps to make decisions,” Wu said.
Of the three suspects wanted in the armed robbery of two UD students in Garden Apartments last week, one has turned himself in to authorities and is currently incarcerated at Montgomery County Jail.

On March 9, three black males were buzzed into the 312 E. Stewart St. Garden Apartments, according to Major Larry Dickey of Public Safety.

“Two of the men were armed with firearms,” Dickey said. “They demanded money, cell phones, wallets and laptops.”

After the suspects fled, one of the victims called 911, which automatically connects to Dayton Police, rather than Public Safety, Dickey explained.

“Our officers overheard the dispatch, so we responded as well,” he said.

One of the victims was treated and released from the hospital with stitches to a head wound, Dickey said.

On Wednesday, an arrest warrant was issued for 20-year-old Ronald Taylor, according to Dayton Daily News. That morning, Taylor turned himself in to authorities and was booked on charges of aggravated robbery and driving offenses, according to Dayton Daily News.

“One suspect has been caught as a result of the joint investigation [between Dayton Police and Public Safety],” Dickey said.

Dickey said Taylor was one of the two armed suspects wanted in the robbery.

To prevent future similar events, Dickey cautions students to take certain safety measures.

“This was an unfortunate thing,” he said. “Students need to be cautious before they admit people into their apartments. There’s a reason you have to be buzzed in.”

Although Dickey confirmed the robberies were not random and the victims knew the suspects, he had no comment on rumors that the crime was drug-related.

The victims could not be reached for comment.

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**NEWS**

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**ELECTION**

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“I am not even disagreeing with some of the concerns in this e-mail, specifically surrounding those issues discussed with the election.”

Bonistall said it is clear Willie is well-versed on the elections material and spent a lot of time creating a resolution. Had he or she chosen to not stay anonymous, this knowledge would have been very beneficial to the elections co-chairs, she said.

SGA did host a pre-information session meeting Feb. 6, elections chairperson Sara Stuckey said. Fliers were hung in academic buildings and residence halls. The uncontested candidates were advised to campaign last week and polls opened Monday at election. udayton.edu. Voting will continue until 3:30 p.m. on Thursday.

“We have a really great pool of candidates and even though they’re running uncontested, they’re the ones that have stepped up to the challenge and they’re going to do a great job next year,” Stuckey said.

Junior John Jewell and sophomore Maura LaMendola are running on the president and vice president ticket, respectively; junior Antonio Mari is running for vice president of academic affairs; junior Enrique Pieras is running for re-election for vice president of finance; and junior Abbey Rymarczyk is running for vice president of residential affairs.

“We agreed that regardless if we were uncontested or if we won 100 percent of the votes, there’d be people we had to win over,” Jewell said. “We look at this as an opportunity to pick up the pieces people saw falling apart with SGA.”
LEXI BUHELLOS
Staff Writer

Hawaiian T-shirts and festive spring colors adorned the McGlinnis Center on Sunday for the second annual Beta Beach Brunch.

From 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., the brothers of Beta Theta Pi fraternity cooked, baked and grilled a menu that included cheesy potatoes, Hawaiian French toast and scrambled eggs. About 250 people bought the $5 tickets, which paid for four meals: one you-can-eat brunch for the guest and three meals for the needy at St. Vincent de Paul Society of Dayton.

“Our adviser is Father Tedesco and he has very good cooking skills,” said Kevin Pitstick, Beta philanthropy chair. “We wanted to do traditional stuff, like pancakes and this year we went with Hawaiian French toast and the pineapple with coconut, Father Tedesco’s twist.”

The brunch is the fraternity’s main philanthropic event. Last year, they donated over $4,000 to St. Vincent, which works to bring people together and closer to God. Pitstick said, “In conjunction with the brunch, we did a letter writing campaign to friends and family members of the brothers asking for donations. We got a good response from that.”

The Beta Beach Brunch raised over $1,200 in just four hours.

“This was a very successful year so we will definitely have it again,” Taylor said. “We hope to increase the popularity of it and make it a large event again next year.”

LEXI BUHELLOS/STAFF WRITER

Betas raise $1,200 in four hours

STUDENTS PLANNING “I LOVE UD”

JESSICA LEDBETTER
Staff Writer

On the prompt of the Office of Enrollment Management, SGA members Maryjo Pirages and John Jewell are brainstorming ideas on a new school-spirit campaign titled “I Love UD” and are inviting the UD community to get involved.

“I Love UD is intended to be an event, or hopefully a series of events, that celebrate the uniqueness of UD,” Pirages said. “We hope that the event will enhance school spirit and bring our community even closer together.”

Pirages and Jewell are striving to benefit the whole UD community: faculty, staff, students and alumni.

To plan this event, Pirages and Jewell are looking to the students and alumni to take on leadership positions. Pirages and Jewell have developed some ideas that they may implement into the campaign.

“Some of these include: T-shirts, a larger kick-off event, a Mass or a parade in the student neighborhoods,” Pirages said.

They are open to ideas and feedback about different events and activities to hold within the I Love UD event. All interested students and staff are invited to attend a planning meeting March 23 at 6:30 p.m. in ArtStreet Studio C. If unable to attend the meeting, contact lloveudevent@gmail.com.

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NEWS

Dublin Pub
Your St. Patrick’s Day HEADQUARTERS
FREE MEAL
Bring in this ad, and receive a free meal when a meal of equal or greater value is purchased. Dine in only, not valid on St. Patrick’s Day. expires March 31, 2009

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NO COVER over 21
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All ages welcome. WWW.DUBPUB.COM

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety on Feb. 15 through March 7. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.

Criminal Damaging
March 6, 1:13 p.m.
Officer Durian was dispatched to parking lot S2 on the report of criminal damaging to a vehicle. A 20-year-old UD student stated that she parked her vehicle on March 4 at 10:50 a.m. and when she returned on this date to drive it the car was “wobbly.” She parked her vehicle, checked the tires, and the front passenger tire appeared to be slashed. No other vehicles in S2 had similar damages.

Officer Seipel and Officer Pease were dispatched to a student-owned residence on a theft complaint. A 22-year-old male student stated that items were taken from his residence between 10 p.m. and 1:50 a.m. Items were removed from his television along with the back of the TV stand and two video game systems belonging to his roommates were missing, along with three video games. He had locked his house. 
Mark Augaitis throws up his hand in the Frericks Center gym, celebrating with Flyer's fans over the men's basketball team's bid to the NCAA Tournament. Fans waited for the news, good or bad, that was coming in around 6 p.m. The pep band started the event off and it ended with a speech by coach Brian Gregory and London Warren.

### Classifieds

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#### Irving Commons Student Apartments - The lottery may be closed, but your options are still open. www.Irvingcommons.net for the #1 off campus apartments at UD!

- **Oakwood condo for sale or lease.**
  - 1 bedroom/1 bath
  - On sight parking
  - $575 a month
- **Kettering, Ohio, 45429.**
  - **HandyWork/HardWork-Oakwood. 4-6 hrs/week. $11/hour. Summer/Immediate. RELIABLE, own transportation required.**

#### HOUSING

- **For girls**
  - For girls- Summer of Your Life! Camp Wayne for Girls- Childrens sleep-away camp. Northeast Pennsylvania 6/20-8/16. If you love children and want a caring, fun environment we need counselors for: Tennis, Swimming, Golf, Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Drama, High & Low Ropes, Team Sports, Waterskiing, Sailing, Painting/Drawing, Ceramics, Silkscreen, Printmaking, Batik Jewelry, Calligraphy, Photography, Sculpture, Guitar, Aerobics, Self-Defense, Video, Piano, Other: Administrative, CDL Driver, Nurses (RN’s & Nursing Students), Book keeper, Mother’s Helper. On campus interviews April 2nd. Select the Camp That Selects The Best Staff! Call 215-944-3069 or apply @ www.campwaynegirls.com

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**BATTLE OF THE BANDS**

**Bands to battle for Guster opening act**

**MATTHEW CROGHAN**
Staff Writer

Student bands will get a chance to battle Friday for the opportunity to open for Guster, an alternative rock band performing at UD Arena in April.

The Battle of the Bands will feature Kelly Pine and Co., The Jaywalkers, The Royce & Erik Band and From Midnight On, according to CAB president David Mattingly.

The bands will perform 30-minute original sets, and audience members will cheer to cast a crowd vote.

“Everyone who comes will be able to vote for their favorite band,” Megan McGrath, Battle of the Bands coordinator, said. “The popular vote, along with the input of the judges, will help decide the winner.”

The April 19 Guster concert is "Everyone who comes will be able to vote for the opening act," according to Kelly Fine, Pat Kelly, James Wade and many other UD students regularly seen on campus stages.

M-Fest president Laura Burgess said this year’s event is meant to spread awareness and support for positive mental health in a fun and interactive way.

M-Fest is organized by REACH, a student group advocating mental health on campus.

“I think the main point is that REACH provides a support network for anyone who has been impacted directly or indirectly by mental illness and the stigmas that come along with it,” Senior Sarah Spurgeon, the band committee co-chair, said.

Spurgeon said if one person is positively affected by the event, then it is worth all the work.

“If someone is positively impacted, whether through the live music, student testimonials, the humane society puppies, the good company, or simply the general positive air that promotes mental health awareness, then M-Fest has been successful,” Spurgeon said.

M-Fest started as a small memorial in 2003 for UD student Michael Littler, who committed suicide. The event served as a means of remembering, celebrating and coping with the loss of a UD community member. In the following years, his friends expanded the event into the day-long concert and art show it is now.

Spurgeon enjoys performing at M-Fest and plans to bring her guitar back out this year.

“For someone like me, who really just enjoys performing without any of the pressure, performing at M-Fest was a fun way to put myself out there and share myself with other people, including friends, family and strangers.”

The event will also include music therapy drums, craft-making and student testimonials.

“Posters and testimonials give students real facts about mental illness and shows that mental illness is something that can happen to anyone, even someone they know on campus,” Jennifer Strimpfel, the publicity chair, said.

M-Fest admission is $5 or $10 which includes a T-shirt. Tickets will be sold at tables in KU near the Galley noon to 3 p.m. through Friday.

“I encourage anyone to come out and have a blast,” Burgess said “Not only does it feel good to treat yourself to a fun day, but its a way REACH is helping to build the community and wellness on campus.”

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**M-Fest to celebrate music, art**

**RANIA SHAKKOUR**
A&AE Editor

M-Fest, an annual all-day celebration that promotes mental health awareness, will reach out to the UD community through music, art and good company on Saturday at the ArtStreet plaza.

The lineup will feature On the Fly Improv, the UD Dance Team, Kelly Pine, Pat Kelly, James Wade and many other UD students regularly seen on campus stages.

**How to go**

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**Important New Information**

**HONORS PROGRAM MEETING**

Monday, March 23
one-hour pizza lunch sessions at 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm
Chaminade Hall, Ground Floor, Room 10F
or
Friday, March 27
one-hour session with snacks at 3:00 pm
Marianist Learning Space, Commons Area

**REACH**

A student group advocating mental health

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**M-Fest 2009**

**What**

M-Fest 2009

**When**

1-11 p.m. Saturday

**Where**

ArtStreet plaza

**Admission**

$5-$10 with T-shirt

**STAGE 1**

1:00-1:30 Pat McNinis
2:30-3:00 Sarah Spurgeon
3:30-4:25 Wes Disney
5:25-6:00 Kelly Fire
7:55-7:50 Darren Brown
8:20-9:05 Julie Roth
9:35-11:00 Pat Kelly

**STAGE 2**

1:35-1:40 UD Dance Team
1:45-2:15 Joel Rauch
3:15-3:40 Origami
6:15-6:50 James Wade

**MCGINNIS CENTER**

Music Therapy Club

On The Fly

Music Therapy Club
‘Bat Boy’ Comedy-horror satire

ANNA DANES
Staff Writer

You may know that tabloids inspire a good laugh, but you may think this is only possible in a long checkout line. “Bat Boy: The Musical” proves that tabloids can inspire laughs so good, they in turn inspire art.

“Bat Boy: The Musical” is a comedy-horror satire inspired by a Weekly World News story about a half-bat, half-boy creature living in a cave in West Virginia. According to a press release and Web site, the musical mixes various musical styles and comedy with tragedy to reveal the “hypocrisy and hysteria in human behavior.”

Tyler Sarkis, a freshman education and theatre major, will play the title role in UD’s production. Sarkis said that the strange premise is strange and its appeal can be hard to understand. However, he said that the strange premise is the perfect backdrop for situations which create the comedy that makes the show so enjoyable.

“The show takes place in the middle of West Virginia, and everybody is really hick and not open-minded,” Sarkis said. “Bat Boy is a monster, and a family takes him into their home and tries to teach him how to be a ‘normal person,’ and the process is hilarious.”

Sarkis is not alone in admiring the show’s humor. The New York Times said the show’s “intelligent wit” and the London Evening Standard called it a "hilarious production.”

The humor that results from Bat Boy trying to be accepted by society is part of the satire, Sarkis said. This is a musical with a purpose, to expose society’s hypocrisy.

“As weird as this show is, it does have a great meaning,” Sarkis said. “It’s really about acceptance.”

how to go

WHAT
Bat Boy:
The Musical

WHEN
March 20-21 and
26-28 at 8 p.m.;
March 22 at 7 p.m.

WHERE
Boll Theatre

ADMISSION
$6 for students,
faculty and staff
$10 general
admission

FRENCH
You get in there and it’s really warm and I just don’t want to shower. You get in there and it’s really warm and I just don’t want to shower.

CASSIE
I just really love showers. I get in there and it’s really warm and I just don’t want to get out.

ANNIE
She takes 40-minute showers.

KELLY
I made a big filet steak the other day. Breakfast is usually like pancakes, eggs, hash browns.

ANNE
I started grilling like 20 hamburgers at once.

NATALIE
I think this is only possible in a small town like West Virginia.

THE LADIES OF
144 EVANSTON

House Specs: Three bedrooms, one bathroom, kitchen, family room and dining room
Roommates: Seniors Cassie Giesen, Anne Karlovitz, Kelly O’Brien, and junior Natalie Goff

SARA DORN
Staff Writer

Flyer News: What are the 144 Evanston house traditions?
Kelly O’ Brien: Sundays are like our “Sex and the City” days. We always watch the movie.
Natalie Goff: I cook a lot. Sometimes me and Anne will make breakfast or dinner together.

FN: Is someone always late?
Anne Karlovitz: Cassie takes the longest to get ready.
NG: She takes 40-minute showers.
Cassie Giesen: I just really love showers. You get in there and it’s really warm and I just don’t want to get out.

FN: What are some of your favorite meals?
CG: Lots of pasta.
NG: Chicken teriyaki. I made a big filet steak the other day. Breakfast is usually like pancakes, eggs, hash browns.

COOKING

SG:
Sara does a lot of cleaning.

KO:
The piano came with this house because it’s a landlord house.

AK:
Cassie and I are the only ones who share a room and it’s the cleanest.

FN: Do you get a lot of use out of your porch?
CG: When I’m stressed I just go outside and dance on the porch. We came home from the library once and I was just like ‘I need to dance.’

KO:
One time we came back from the bars and we had a big cookout.

NG: Yeah. I started grilling like 20 hamburgers at once.

CG: People would walk by and we’d just be like, “You want a burger?”

KO:
Whenever it comes on we meet together. Like somehow we always find each other and come to the dance and just dance to it, and people look at us.

How to prepare for a show:

The theatre world has its own set of terminology. Theatre students shared some of the lingo they use on a daily basis:

“Break a leg:” Good luck to actors, say this instead.

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“Blocking:” a scene: Adding movement; deciding where the actors should stand in regards to each other and the stage.

“Spiking the floor:” Putting tape on the stage so actors know where to stand.

“Striking the set:” Taking the set down.

“Thank you five:” When a stage manager announces a five-minute break, actors respond with “thank you five” as an act of courtesy.

“Hell week:” The final week of rehearsal before opening night.

Don’t say “Macbeth:” Shakespeare’s play is considered cursed, and it’s bad luck to say its name backstage.

“Costume Parade:” The day when the costumers have everyone try on their costumes for the first time.

“Bat Boy: The Musical.” Ryan Kozelka/Assistant Photography Editor

Freshman Tyler Sarkis plays a half-boy, half-bat creature in the upcoming theatre department production of “Bat Boy: The Musical.”

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SGA Elections

Organization should do more to engage general public

It seems to be the consensus that the school has flown by quickly. Apparently Student Government Association didn’t avoid this either, since executive council elections – which includes voting for the president and the vice president – seemed to sneak up on them as much as it did on the student body.

Polls opened Monday and will remain open until Thursday afternoon, at which point students will have chosen the next SGA president, vice president, vice president of residential affairs, vice president of finance and vice president of academic affairs. Those who win the elections shouldn’t be too surprised though — they’re running uncontested.

Seeing a lack of choices may cause some to argue a lack of publicity gave SGA members an unfair advantage over the general public. While the organization did get the word out through fliers, e-mails and information sessions, that alone may not be enough to reach students outside of the organization and make them feel like their voice is valued as much as another’s.

The outcome of five candidates being automatic winners proves it can’t be the best way. Next year’s assumed president and vice president, John Jewell and Maura LaMendola, said they will take a different route to get more students involved.

The running mates plan to hire an elections committee chair to run fall sessions, that alone may not be enough to reach students outside of the organization. While taking on an executive title isn’t easy and requires passion and taking on the pressure of a role, as the president and the vice president, John Jewell and Maura LaMendola, said they will take a different route to get more students involved.

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It’s basically the biggest news story of 2009. No, not the recession, Octo Mom or the Obama family dog. It’s Chris Brown and the raging hearsay that he abused Rihanna.

For the past month, the media has been filled with juicy tidbits concerning the Peh, # smackdown. Had he beat her before? Did this incident have anything to do with his turbulent childhood? Did she really give him herpes?

There is very little that has actually been confirmed about the situation. Brown turned himself in; the female in question was identified as “Robyn F.” (Rihanna’s full name is Robyn Rihanna Fenty). In addition, there is that grisly picture of a battered Rihanna circulating the Internet.

The public has generally taken one emphatic stance: Shame on you for beating Rihanna, Chris Brown! This has only been encouraged by the media’s portrayal of the situation, as well as the myriad of celebrities endorsing Rihanna’s side of the situation. While I do not think any of this is wrong, I do think that there needs to be another issue brought into light. It seems the world is scorn
ing Chris Brown for abusing his girlfriend, but no one thinks less of Rihanna for staying with him.

Let me make one thing clear. I am not at all condoning domestic violence. I have never been in an abusive relationship, and I am not attempting to speak on behalf of Rihanna, nor am I judging the decisions she has made. I am, however, confused as to why a woman would stay with a man who has publicly damaged her. She is being offered all of the support in the world, and yet she refuses to refuse him.

I think it is easy for the media to portray Chris Brown as the sole problem in this situation. He’s the obvious choice to cast at the villain; all you have to do is look at Rihanna’s bruises to see what the physical damage of which he is capable. However, he is not the only person responsible in this situation.

I think the media needs to be supportive of Rihanna, while also recognizing that she is in no way bound to this relationship. Rihanna is a Grammy-winning artist who is a role model for millions across the world. Whether or not she realizes it, there are women in situations similar to her’s who look up to her. By denying the chance to seek help, she is denying the chance to set a precedent for these women.

Instead of constantly criticizing Chris Brown, the celebrities defending Rihanna should look into why this situation unfolded the way it did, and how it can be prevented. Brown’s punishment will be court dictated, but there is nothing to ensure that Rihanna ultimately gets her justice. All I can hope for is that she decides to step forward and repre
sent women who are victims of domestic violence. The best way to encourage her to set a strong example is for the media to not only recognize Chris Brown as the cause of the problem, but to determine that Rihanna herself is the solution.

Word on the street...

Which teams does the staff think will reach this year’s Final Four?

"Pitt, Wake Forest, UConn and Oklahoma, with Pitt winning it all.

JASON LYON, SENIOR

OPINIONS EDITOR"

"I hope I’m wrong, but I think West Virginia could be one of those teams."

TIM GRAVES, SENIOR

COPY EDITOR"

"As much as I follow sports, I have no idea."

CORY GRIFFIN, SENIOR

SPORTS EDITOR"
Show some school spirit, get behind Dayton basketball

The Beach Boys song “Be true to your school” suggests that you should “be true to your school, just like you would to your girl or guy.” But honestly, I just don’t see it anymore. When it comes down to University of Dayton basketball you really are not going to find fans that are more passionate about their team, but I have noticed recently that there is a lack of students supporting their team around campus.

Don’t get me wrong, I know there are a lot of diehard fans out there. Fans that can admit that the basketball team was one of the top three reasons they decided to come to UD, for those fans you can stop reading here because this doesn’t concern you.

Let me give you a little bit of background here, I have been coming to UD basketball games my entire life, my family is a University of Dayton family. I honestly can’t remember the last Xavier game my family has missed. It has always been seen as a huge rivalry, but this year I actually heard a student say that the UD/XU game was really not a big deal. What?

On February 11 I played Xavier in our house, UD Arena. It was a Wednesday afternoon as I was walking around campus attending my regular classes and I actually did not see a single UD shirt, which is a rare occurrence even on a normal day, let alone the day of the XU game.

What happened to supporting your school on the day of the biggest rivalry this campus has. I have always been shocked to see students wearing XU shirts around campus on any day of the year. Come on people, that’s like a Bo Sox fan wearing a Yankees cap or a Buckeye fan wearing a “Go Blue” T-shirt.

I understand that for most students when applying to colleges in this area UD and XU are usually on the list, but that time has come and gone. You are a Flyer, show your pride for your school and your team.

Sadly enough, that was my last UD/XU game as a student here and it was only fitting that our boys put forth the effort of a lifetime and finally showed XU what was up and as a senior that is all I could ever ask for.

TIM KEATING, SENIOR, ELECTRONIC MEDIA

President Obama taking science in right direction

Last week, President Obama signed an executive order reversing Bush administration policy that had severely limited the use of federal funds on embryonic stem cell research. Regardless of one’s personal views on when life truly begins, this is fantastic news for science and humanity.

For years, the primary objection to research on embryonic stem cells has come from the contention that life starts at the time a sperm fertilizes an egg. Regardless of whether this is the case, the fact remains that there are currently tens of thousands of human embryos in cold storage at fertility clinics around the country, which would have been discarded as medical waste had the Bush restrictions remained in place.

It baffles me how anyone can view this as an acceptable fate for these embryos and at the same time be appalled if the embryos are used for medical research. It seems to me that if one has a legitimate moral concern for human embryos, they should take issue first and foremost with the clinics that produce them, hold them, and eventually discard them in large numbers. But this is not the case. The creation of multiple embryos for the purpose of in vitro fertilization is widely practiced, and socially accepted. Given these facts, how is it more morally sound to throw these embryos in the trash than to derive from them potentially life-saving medical cures?

Arguments that umbilical stem cells also show promise for research, or that Bush policies already allowed federally funded research on a small line of existing embryonic stem cells, are disingenuous. More research is necessary better research when we are dealing with the terrible disorders for which existing embryonic stem cells, are disingenuous. More research is necessary better research when we are dealing with the terrible disorders for which stem cell research shows great promise (among them multiple sclerosis, degenerative spine disease and some types of cancer). But mention stem cells, and everyone with a partisan streak suddenly becomes a molecular biologist. Admittedly, this includes certain liberals who are unrealistically enthusiastic about the issue. But while cures for these diseases may not be just around the bend, severely limiting this incredibly promising research is a great way to ensure they are never reached.

ADAM YOUNG, SENIOR, POLITICAL SCIENCE

Abortion debate continues, senior decides to weigh in on FOCA, talk surrounding it

In reference to the latest opinion piece on the Freedom of Choice Act, I would like to neutralize the heavily polarized debate surrounding this piece of legislation and redirect the discussion concerning this bill to more fruitful considerations. Since articles have appeared in Flyer News in support of FOCA and the last one against the bill, it would be prudent to understand just exactly what the law will and will not do.

Drawing on the wisdom of Cathleen Kaveny, a professor of law and theology at the University of Notre Dame and a regular columnist in Commonweal magazine, I feel there are some unseen and unmentioned insights into the bill that would prove fruitful for further discussions surrounding this debate. Much to the chagrin of previous articles touting the bill’s ability to create a “fundamental right” to protect women’s right over their own bodies to decide to have an abortion, in the words of Kaveny “FOCA includes no clear, detailed, and effective legal schema to protect that right.”

To the surprise of a recent article attacking FOCA and its seemingly far-reaching effects, FOCA’s creation of a “fundamental right” to have an abortion would be tantamount to a constitutional right which is a naive and implausible attempt to work around our current system of amending the Constitution. Furthermore, worries that the bill will stipulate that the government pays for abortions distort the Supreme Court’s understanding of the abortion right to be a “negative right, not a positive right,” as many supporters of the FOCA bill erroneously believe.

With that being said, the current debate around FOCA is misguided and should be redirected toward debating ways to reduce not only the number of abortions, but also other injustices that lead to destruction of life. However, this cannot occur when we debate inoperable bills, as bad as they may be, and do not focus our energies on devising more ways to help reduce the destruction of life in an ethic that is consistent with a respect for life in all of its stages.

MICHAEL ELLIOT, SENIOR, PRE-MED

For your consideration

It is very important that everyone takes to heart the comments by Alexis Buhelos in Flyer News on Friday, March 6, 2009 about healthier foods. During the month of March, National Nutrition Month, Dining Services wants to raise the level of awareness in the UD community about healthy eating. It was ironic that Ms. Buhelos picked the beef stew to use as a comparison to Burger King as we chose the same product to highlight the importance of making healthier choices. During our National Nutrition Month Kick-off Dinner on March 4, Mary Rose had both the beef stew with a biscuit as well as a turkey medallion with long grain rice and green beans. The entire turkey meal had 12.8 grams of fat compared to the 35.2 grams of fat in the beef stew. Burger King has only four individual items on their entire menu that have less than 13 grams of fat (and none of them by themselves would be a complete meal).

Eating healthier means that we eat a balanced diet with a wide variety of foods to satisfy our body’s nutrition needs. The USDA recommends that for a 2000 calorie diet we should consume 6 ounces of grain, 2 1/2 cups of vegetables, 2 cups of fruit, 3 cups of milk, and 5 1/2 ounces of meats and beans. Understanding how this applies to your diet can be difficult. Two great resources are the USDA’s Web site (http://www.mypyramid.gov) and Dining Services’ Web site (http://dining.udayton.edu).

“Eating healthier means that we eat a balanced diet, portion sizes, and healthy cooking. We are also providing healthy eating facts each day on our Web site. Finally, we have partnered with Coca-Cola to showcase healthier alternatives for beverages. Purchase any V8, Vitamin Water, Dasani, or Minute Maid juice with your Flyer card at any Dining Services operation between March 9 and March 25 and you will automatically be registered to win some great prizes. The discussion that Ms. Buhelos raised is important. Equally important is personal choice. Every dining hall always has something available with low fat, sodium, calories, and cholesterol. What will you select when you get your next meal?”

JIM FROEHLICH, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Systems and Marketing, Dining Services

Dining halls provide variety of foods, eating healthy on campus is choice of students
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It was a silence like you’ve never heard before — not from this group of guys anyway. It’s tough to put this scene into words, especially when so few were spoken. After head coach Brian Gregory exited the locker room to do his press conference, an assistant coach slammed his fist against a locker. The sound of the bang is almost drowned out by the obscenity he barked, and for the next 10 minutes, the obscenity is the only word that is spoken.

As the players changed, the team managers collected and folded the uniforms and towels. They nodded their heads and pointed fingers to communicate with one another, for they understood and respected the somber silence that lurked in the atmosphere.

There’s little eye contact made among the team. Injured players Rob Lowery and Josh Benson sat in their warmups and listened to music in their head phones as they stared at the ground, while the other players take their time changing as they reflected on the loss.

Finally, the silence was broken as a manager grabbed a Gatorade out of a cooler. The sound of ice clinking together shouldn’t be heard in a basketball locker room. But that night, it was.

Not their night
As the Flyers made their way to the showers, junior guard Marcus Johnson sat down a little while longer.

“We came out kind of flat and didn’t play as well as we needed to win this game,” Johnson said softly to a reporter. “We just didn’t play composed.”

The co-MVP of the Flyers shot just 1-of-9 from 3-point range earlier that night.

“We got open looks,” he said. “They just weren’t going down.”

Gregory said his players have played their butts off all year, but they may have wanted that particular win too much.

“As bad as we played, as poorly as we played, there’s no question how hard our guys play, how competitive they are. At times we want it so bad and you just don’t stick to what you do.”

Johnson said Friday’s loss was a learning opportunity.

“There’s still part of the season left, so we’ll just go from there.” And so there was.

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Members of the Dayton Flyers men’s basketball jump in celebration as Dayton’s name was called as a No. 11 seed in the NCAA Tournament. They’ll take on No. 6 West Virginia on Friday in Minneapolis, Minn. Nick Kastner/Managing Editor

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According to center Kurt Huelsman, the mood of the team on Friday compared to Sunday was polar opposite.

“It was a complete 180. Just completely different,” Huelsman said. “After the game we were all pretty disappointed and upset. We felt as if we didn’t play as we’d like to. But I don’t think that’s going to happen again because there’s always going to be games that we play as hard as we can and give it all we got and we just didn’t win, and I don’t think we’re going to let that happen again.”

As Dayton’s name was called in Sunday’s selection show on CBS, the Flyers jumped up and down in celebration. Huelsman said freshman Luke Fabrizius was the first teammate he could get to give a big hug.

The Flyers played in the NIT last year after missing out on the NCAA Tournament, so this year Huelsman said the team didn’t get its hopes up and was ready for anything.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Although the Flyers found themselves 600 miles away from home for the Atlantic 10 Tournament, they didn’t go alone. Alumni from the region and die hard basketball fans of the Flyer Faithful trudged their way to South Jersey for the games being played at Boardwalk Hall.

According to Bill Hunt, a UD alumnus, the National Alumni Association sets up events at sports bars to congregate with fellow alumni for big road games. These events usually bring around 50 people to the event. However, before Thursday evening’s game between Richmond and Dayton in the quarterfinal of the A-10 Tournament, more than 300 Flyers fanatics packed a comedy club inside the Tropicana Resort and Casino on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean.

During the event, Dr. Dan Curran, president of the university, and Director of Athletics Tim Wabler spoke to the crowd of supporters. Both were excited about the support and the team’s success this season.

The restaurant provided food and a cash bar for the alumni and also played a highlight video for fans to watch of the top plays throughout the season. Dr. Willie Morris III and the Flyer Pep Band provided the background music and prepared the Flyer Faithful with their favorite cheers while the cheerleaders also tried to pump the crowd up for the evening matchup.

A 1974 graduate, Spiker Ostermann attended the event, having traveled from New York for the game.

He recalled the 1974 Dayton vs. UCLA game in the NCAA Tournament when the Flyers took John Wooden and Bill Walton’s squad to a third overtime before losing in the Sweet 16.