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Staff Writer

It’s Thursday night and you’re getting ready to go out. Maybe you’re heading over to Timothy’s Bar and Grill or maybe you’re playing a drinking game. Either way, you’re not studying for your chemistry test tomorrow.

Welcome to college?
A recent study done by NASPA: Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education and Outside The Classroom found that first-year college students who drink spend 10.2 hours per week versus 8.4 hours of studying.

First-year students involved in the study came from a collection of 76 universities that are part of the AlcoholEdu program. Sound familiar? AlcoholEdu is the University of Dayton’s required online program for incoming freshmen that questions knowledge about alcohol use and provides information regarding alcohol prevention and safety issues.

“Parents are working hard to pay tuition bills,” said Brandon Busted, founder and chief executive officer of Outside The Classroom, in a recent NASPA press release. “Yet many of their children are out drinking instead of investing time in building their future. This is a threat to the core mission of higher education.”

A 2008 UD alcohol survey found that 45 percent of students have chosen to be out drinking in the last month, according to Steve Mueller, executive director for the Counseling and Health Center. A 2007 national survey found that 63.7 percent of full-time college students ages 18 to 22 reported alcohol use in the past month.

Of the people on UD’s campus who drink, the average number of drinks reported was 2.5 on Thursday, 5.5 on Friday, 5.5 on Saturday and 4.0 on Sunday. By the definition of binge drinking, which is classified when males consume five or more drinks in one sitting and females four or more drinks, the average UD student is a binge drinker on Friday and Saturday nights, consuming on average 5.5 drinks.

However, Mueller said to be aware of the rather large standard deviation. For example, drinks per night on a Friday may range from 2.5 to 8.5 on average. There are a wide variety of students who may drink way below or above the reported average.

Dean of Students Sister Annette Schmeling says it is all about balance.

“Finding balance between all of the demands is essential,” she said. “It is often difficult to fit everything into the 24/7 realities that we live with. Balance is a continual challenge. Having control over (alcohol) consumption, choosing when and how much to use, seldom results in negative consequences.”

The University of Dayton is a founding partner of the Alcohol Prevention Coalition, which has goals to prevent high-risk drinking and promote policies and practices as needed. Supporters include Chi Omega, Pi Beta Phi, Zeta Tau Alpha sororities, and Sigma Nu fraternity according to the Outside The Classroom Web site.

“We took part in an AlcoholEdu program last semester through the National Chi Omega organization,“ Chi Omega President Bri-anne Baricicic said. “In addition, we try to hold a lot of alcohol-free events.”

UD has implemented programs like AlcoholEdu, Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention Team (A.D.A.P.T.) and the Alcohol Prevention Coalition so students can make the right choices and take safety precautions when dealing with alcohol.

For more information on this issue and UD’s role in the Alcohol Prevention Coalition, visit http://www.outsidetheclassroom.com.

“The press release suggests that we’ve reached a tipping point in our country,” Schmeling said. “We have taken many measures to reduce the risk of at-risk drinking on our campus and in the neighborhoods.”

100 students help run financial investment forum at UD

JENNIE SZINK
News Editor

After three days of running a financial investment forum for over 2,500 students, faculty and financial advisers, senior Anna Sorg most fondly remembers Thursday night’s cleanup.

“Everybody was tired and we all just stuck together as a group and we cleaned everything in a quick time,” Sorg said. “R.I.S.E. is the time when everyone from the Davis Center comes together and realizes what a bonded group we are.”

Forty students from the Davis Center, where a $9 million portfolio is managed, and 60 finance club volunteers ran this year’s ninth R.I.S.E. (Reinventing Investment Strategy Education). The students created committees like registration team and transportation to run the forum from Thursday to Saturday.

Over 300 universities sent students to R.I.S.E.

“I think a lot of them are just inspired by other people’s careers,” Sorg said. “There’s no reason anybody in that audience can’t take the path someone else has taken.”

David Sauer, managing director of the forum and a University of Dayton finance professor, also said in a press release that the forum’s keynote speakers and sessions are organized to give students opportunities to organize with leaders in economics and finance.

“R.I.S.E. is a completely interactive environment,” Sauer said in the release. “Each keynote speaker begins with a five-minute opening remark of what they feel is the issue of the day, and then we open it up to student dialogue.”

Saturday afternoon, the end of R.I.S.E., was perhaps Sorg’s second favorite part of the forum.

“You really don’t have time to sleep,” Sorg said. “It was so much fun, but at the same time you are so happy it’s over and you have time to catch up on your sleep.”

For more information on the three-day R.I.S.E. forum, see p. 5
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It’s not too late to register for the fall semester.
Friday's neighborhood competition ends in tie

Students participated in the ultimate battle between the UD student neighborhoods Friday afternoon in Capture the Flag, hosted by Student Government Association.

Participants met in P-lot for the start of the race around 4:30 p.m. Teams were divided by residents of the Ghetto and the Darkside neighborhoods. The game included safe zones, jails and houses to hang flags from, along with the typical rules of capture the flag.

“It's really promising to see students from both neighborhoods coming together,” Ghetto Senator Mike O'Leary said.

The College Park area, Fairgrounds, Gardens on Stewart and the Darkside streets counted for the Darkside territory while all of the Ghetto streets, Campus South, Lawnview and Gardens on Lowes and Frericks accounted for the Ghetto territory.

“The Ghetto and the Darkside senators collaborated (on this event),” Ghetto Senator Natalie Horras said. “We were financially supported by a few other senators’ budgets, including Garden Apartments, junior class and Lawnview Senators.”

The teams played three games with the first being a tie for corrections in rules and boundaries. The Ghetto won the second game and the Darkside won the third.

Following the event, free pizza was served at ArtStreet along with CAB events.

“It went alright, but there are always improvements to be made,” Horras said. “I wish we would have tried it in the fall so that we knew how to work out the kinks, but it was pretty successful.”

Friday's Capture the Flag event ended in a tie between the Darkside and the Ghetto. Above: A Ghetto competitor runs with one of the flags that were hidden during the game.

Left: Ghetto participants hang their flag to hide it from the enemy.

Allison Dunn
Staff Writer

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WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE
The Women in the Workplace series presents Vicki Giambrone, UD alumna, speaking on professional networking and relationship building. All majors are welcome, with business casual dress recommended. The presentation begins at 4 p.m. in Sears Recital Hall in Humanities, with a reception following at 5 p.m. at Torch Lounge in KU.

FREE MOVIE SHOWING
Come to a free showing of the newest movie in the James Bond series, Quantum of Solace, in ArtStreet Studio B at 9:10 p.m., sponsored by CAB. Call 229-3314 for more information.

WEDNESDAY
ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH
The Office of Multicultural Affairs is sponsoring a game night for popular games in Asian culture. The event will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. in The Hangar.

SUNDAY
CATHOLIC CLIMATE COVENANT
A Symposium on Climate Change and Catholic Social Teaching will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. at Alter Hall on Xavier University’s campus. The symposium will offer different workshops on energy usage and other varying climate issues. Admission is free. Call the Catholic Social Action Office at (513) 421-3131 ext. 2660 to register.

FRIDAY
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A Symposium on Climate Change and Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley is tempting to re-evaluate their electronic communication practices, and are asking students to fill out a survey and automatically be entered for a gift card to a Brown St. restaurant. Contact Meghann Heft at heftmegk@notes.udayton.edu for more information.
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**KNOw HOW TO MANAGE MONEy?**
UD’s financial director and professor offer some tips

**JESSICA LEDBETTER**
Staff Writer

With college students entering the real world, where there’s a downed economy, the financial status of students across the country is becoming more and more of a concern.

To put worries to bed, a little bit of knowledge about actions students can take to prevent financial strains, the fight to save money may not be as hard as imagined.

“I’ve seen firsthand those who have been careful with their money and the power and freedom it gives them,” said Kathy Harmon, executive director of financial aid and student success at the University of Dayton.

Working with financial aid and scholarships for seven years, Harmon has dealt with financial budgets herself. She’s been involved in fundraising for five years, as well as contributing to her family’s finances.

“My experience also includes raising a family on a budget, sometimes making difficult financial decisions based upon fiscal realities,” she said.

Harmon has offered three important tips of how students can become aware of their finances.

**KNOW WHERE YOUR MONEY IS GOING**

“I have met with students who are in financial trouble, yet have the most advanced cell phones, electronics and very expensive clothes,” Harmon said. “It really is about the choices one makes and making sure we are intentional in our choices so that we will have the freedom that comes with fiscal responsibility.”

**BEWARE OF CREDIT CARD DEBT**

“It is extremely easy to become overwhelmed by credit card debt, especially for students who have taken student loans as an investment in their future, the additional credit card debt is a burden on their future,” she said.

**SAVE**

Harmon said the amount spent on what we buy will be most surprising.

“You may be surprised how much you are spending, and on what,” she said. “Make an intentional effort to take some of that money and essentially pay yourself by saving.”

Economics professor Ralph Frascar teaches personal finance and wrote Personal Finance: An Integrated Planning Approach. In a recent press release he offered a few more tips to help students become aware of their finances.

**AVOID ATM FEES WHILE KEEPING UP WITH DEBIT ACCOUNTS**

Due to some money being taken out of an account each time a withdrawal is made, this can definitely add up. Keeping records of this is helpful.

**SHOP FOR STUDENT LOANS EARLY**

Because of more amounts of money being lost everyday due to the economy, loans may get scarcer. Looking early will be beneficial.

**KEEP HEALTH INSURANCE**

Some students don’t get jobs directly after graduation and aren’t on their parents’ plan any longer. Therefore, it’s probably best to stay insured in case of emergencies.

Along with these tips, college students can also get some great advice from a course here at UD. The Office of Financial Aid and Student Success will offer classes dealing with these issues in fall and winter semesters of the 2009-2010 school year.

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**KATHY HARMON**, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL AID

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety on March 18 through March 22. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.

**Theft**

March 22, 10:44 p.m.
Officer Cloyd was on patrol in the UD district when he was stopped by three male students, who said three black males had stolen their belongings while they played an intramural football game on Stuart Field: A black Verizon LG Voyager cell phone, a black wallet containing an Alaska driver’s license, birth certificate, US Army ID card, Social Security card, Wal-Mart Visa card and Key Bank MasterCard were stolen. A fourth victim also came forth.
NINTH ANNUAL R.I.S.E.
Student-run investment forum hosts 2,500 attendees

R.I.S.E. began Thursday at __ a.m. but for the students working the investment forum, those who were on the transportation committee rose much earlier, and were to be going to bed much later.

They had the job of riding the buses and getting R.I.S.E. participants to and from their hotel. Other students coordinated registration and others worked Breakout sessions, where juniors and seniors were able to introduce keynote speakers and incidentally talk to them one-on-one.

Senior and Davis Center Associate Manager Anna Sorg interviewed and conversed with keynote Richard Fisher, president and chief executive officer, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. R.I.S.E., co-sponsored by the United Nations Global Compact, had nearly 100 speakers who addressed the global economy and investments by giving their opinions on markets, the economy, corporate governance and global trends. Georg Kell, the executive head of the U.N. Global Compact offered his perspective on global investment issues and opportunities, as he brings companies together with U.N. agencies, labor and civil society to advance universal social principles.

Sorg also worked registration tables, an opportunity in which she got closer to her peers and possible future coworkers.

“One girl I helped her check in, yesterday she found me and I was giving her more directions and she wanted to take a picture at the end of the day,” Sorg said. “You make connections with people.”

When R.I.S.E. is all over Saturday, and the hustle and bustle of 2,500 people milling campus has died down, the Davis Center Graduate Association inducts the senior members, inviting alumni to return to the event. Many had come back for the weekend, whether it was to attend the conference or just see their past classmates and co-R.I.S.E. workers.

“I plan on coming back once I’m an alum,” Sorg said. “It gives (alumni) an opportunity to meet everyone in the Davis Center now. I was telling all the freshmen, over my four years I finally know all the alums’ names.”

JENNIE SZINK
News Editor

Top: Robert “Dr. Bob” Froehlich (middle), former chairman of the investor strategy committee at Deutsche Asset Management, was moderator for keynote sessions. He has delivered investment speeches on six continents and all 50 states. He has also authored four books. Above: The ninth annual R.I.S.E. forum brought students from 300 universities. They had the chance to go to networking receptions, portfolio manager workshops and a career strategies forum. Left: Some of the over 2,500 R.I.S.E. participants make their way to the Frericks Center, where keynote speakers spoke. Keynotes included the managing director and chief small cap strategist at Merrill Lynch and India’s Chairman of Securities Board.
JUNIOR CHOSEN FOR JOHN E. RILEY AWARD

STEPHANIE VERMILLION
Chief Staff Writer

Leadership experience has paid off both personally and financially for UD junior Michelle Stawicki, recipient of the 2009 John E. Riley Award.

She stood out from the other award finalists because of her service as executive board member for Distance 4 Dreams, Art Director for Flyer News, Summer Workshop Leader for the Program for Christian Leadership in 2008, along with other activities. She was nominated by junior Natalie Dudek because of her passion for community service.

Stawicki will be awarded $1,300 in the form of financial assistance for winning the John E. Riley Award. Money isn’t the only thing she’s gotten out of taking on leadership positions.

“The biggest lesson I’ve learned is when you bring a group of people together with passion you can do anything,” she said. “If you don’t love what you do then it’s work and you shouldn’t do it.”

Involved in more than 15 community, service and campus activities, she has been able to do what she loves and develop herself as a leader for the future. This character building is largely why she received the award, which is given annually to a UD junior who shows leadership in student organizations while maintaining education and service aspects at UD.

The John E. Riley Award is given in honor of Riley who served for 30 years at UD as director at the Counseling Center, vice president of Student Development and associate dean of Students in Student Development. This year marks the 24th year for this honor.

Other nominees included UD juniors Colin Gerker, Tracey Horan, Rebecca Marek and Caryl Nunez.

Half of New York’s stimulus package for NYC

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New York City will receive $80.8 million of the $175 million allocated to the state from the national American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that Congress passed in February, according to a statement released Thursday by the office of U.S. Senator Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.).

Columbia has requested stimulus funds for its $7 billion Manhattan expansion project, which university officials say is expected to proceed as planned despite the recession.

The millions in funding announced Thursday is part of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program, which “will provide formula grants for projects that reduce total energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency nationwide,” the Schumer statement explained.

The project is a part of the U.S. Green Building Council’s “Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design” pilot program and of Mayor Michael Bloomberg’s PlaNYC Challenge Partner program, which means Columbia has committed to reduce its greenhouse-gas emissions by 30 percent over the next decade.
Senior Mandy Boellka takes a hammer to a Tangent computer at the “Whack-a-Tangent” booth at Alpha Phi Omega’s Carnival for Cystic Fibrosis. Attendees bought wristbands to get into the event, which was held Saturday in KO Field. All proceeds went to the Boomer Eison Foundation.

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Maybe in retrospect, this year’s Dayton to Daytona committee shouldn’t have booked a band that will tell over 2,200 half-naked college students that “We have to take our clothes off.” But hey, who’s to say seeing Gym Class Heroes live at the 31st annual D2D trip wouldn’t be worth spending a few hours in the slammer?

After being serenaded by ska-punk band Reel Big Fish last May, students can jam to the hip-hop, rock and funk stylings of “Cupid’s Chokehold,” “Cookie Jar” and, of course, “Clothes Off!” on Saturday, May 9 at 3 p.m. on the lavish Desert Inn pool deck.

“This band is known for the amazing shows they put on and the excitement they create among their audience,” junior Maggie Schnering, D2D co-trip coordinator, said. “We cannot wait for their performance.”

What separates Gym Class Heroes from the stylings of traditional hip-hop artists is the quartet’s use of live instruments instead of looped samples or canned beats. Led by the quick-tongued MC Travis McCoy, their latest album, “The Quilt,” peaked at No. 14 on Billboard’s Top 200. Riding their success from 2006’s gold-selling “As Cruel as School Children,” the band won Best New Artist at the 2007 MTV Video Music Awards and are currently touring the U.S. with Lil’ Wayne and T-Pain.

“Gym Class Heroes appeals to a wide range of students because they’re a light, feel-good band that covers several genres,” said senior Pat Cline, who booked the band Friday. “They’ve released five or six singles that are really well-known.”

Cline said he initially attempted to sign O.A.R. and Third Eye Blind, but couldn’t come up with enough money or time to pencil them in. He was then provided with a list of bands the committee was interested in pursuing and was asked if he could sign them for a certain price. Cline had contacts within New York booking agency The Agency Group, allowing him to haggle Gym Class Heroes down from their initial asking price.

“Gym Class Heroes is a good fit for Daytona? I’ve heard the name and I know they’re a great group, but I haven’t listened to much of their stuff yet.”

COLE BRADHAM, SOPHOMORE

“They’re one of my favorite bands! I first started listening to them my freshman year, so I think it’s really cool they’re coming now for my senior year Daytona trip. Their music is really fun and I think everyone will really enjoy it.”

STEPHANIE JOHNSON, SENIOR
the itinerary.
tuesday, may 5 – monday, may 11, 2009

Pool Deck Activities
Limbo Contest
Chocolate Twister
Corndog Eating
Ice Melting
Dance Off
Fear Factor
Kings & Queens Perform
Tug of War
Jell-O Wrestling
Hoola Hoop Contest

Off-Site Activities
Miniature Golfing
Trip to Disney World
Daytona Cubs Game
Shopping
Go Kart City

Daily Events
Senior Send-Off (date TBA)
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D2D committee didn’t get much of a say in who would rock Daytona this year.

“We allowed our committee of 20 students to see the list of bands we were going to contact and had them rate the bands,” Kelly said. “We felt that in order to secure a band as soon as possible, this would be the best way.”

Because so many major changes were made to the trip last year, Kelly and Schnering focused on enhancing elements of previous excursions. Students will be provided with a “safety box” filled with emergency education and maps of local attractions.

Last year’s service events exceeded expectations, so the committee organized an entire day designed to provide students with the opportunity to work with the Daytona community.

Named in remembrance of UD alum Garrett Loiselle, who passed away while on the trip two years ago, Loiselle Day 2009: Kick Back, Give Back will feature four service programs and three athletic events – including the ever-popular GEL wiffle ball and 3-on-3 basketball tournaments.

“We really want to focus on how UD prides itself as coming together as a community, even miles and miles away from campus,” Kelly said. “After next year there will not be a class at UD that will have gotten to go to school with Garrett.”

“UD instills in each of its students something incredibly unique,” Schnering said. “Garrett not only epitomized what it means to be a Dayton Flyer, but also what it means to be an amazing human.”

Final payments are due by Friday. Spots are still available for students that are still interested in going on the trip but haven’t registered. Visit dayton2daytona.com to sign up.

E-mail kickbackgiveback@gmail.com for more information on Loiselle Day 2009.

“Like that they play hip-hop music, but it’s not just prerecorded beats and computers, a DJ and a singer. They play their own beats, guitars, drums and all – you don’t see that much with hip-hop.”

TIM KEATING, SENIOR

“They’re catchy and will rock out no matter what. Yay Daytona!”

KASIE DROBNICK, SENIOR
The Royce and Erik Band hits the UD music scene

MATTHEW CROGHN
Staff Writer

A new jazz and blues duo hit the UD music scene recently.

The Royce and Erik Band is made up of vocalist, guitarist and trumpeter Erik Anderson and tenor saxophonist Royce Files.

One of the band’s first big gigs was playing at Relay for Life’s Battle of the Bands at KU Pub on March 20.

Battle of the Bands was a night of grooving music and a battle among four bands with the grand prize of opening up for Guster in April.

Though The Royce and Erik Band didn’t make the cut at the competition, they said it won’t stop them from doing what they love—playing music.

Files’ next performance is at the Stander Symposium 2009 Honors Recital Seminar, 1 to 3 p.m. April 16 at Sears Recital Hall.

“I love Guster and it would’ve been an honor to open for them,” Anderson said.

The musicians find inspiration to make their original music from different artists.

Files’ inspiration comes from the saxophone comes from such legends as Miles Davis and Johnny Coltrane, but also stems from some other talent like Chris Potter, David Sanborn and Kenny Garrett.

Anderson said his inspiration comes from noted guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughn and new age talent John Mayer.

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The Royce and Erik Band is one of four that competed, and the duo stood out with its smooth and relaxing sounds of jazz and blues.

“Love music,” Files said. “I spend a third of my day on the saxophone, so I’ve definitely come to enjoy it.”

After playing at Relay for Life’s Battle of the Bands at KU Pub on March 20.

“The Royce and Erik Band hits the UD music scene recently.”

Jesse Migdal/Staff Writer

Roommates: Fifth-year seniors Tom Brackmann, Mike Demko, Marc Hoffman and Greg Wetzel

House Spec: Three bedrooms, two bathrooms, kitchen, dishwasher, dining room, living room, washer/dryer

FN: What should everyone know about your house?
TB: Probably that we have a 55-gallon fish tank. There used to be a lot more fish in there, but they died during the blackout. We used to have three puffer fish.
MH: Yeah. We also thought the whole school was shut-down during the blackout. Mike took the week as vacation. We call him Hurricane Mike now because he was a mess.
TB: We also have a resident alien that lives with us. We call him Alfred.
FN: What’s your best memory from this house?
TB: Probably my 22 and three-fourths plus one day birthday. It was a blast everyone had a great time. Mark even did a face plant on the sidewalk for us by the end of the night.
FN: When you usually open your fridge, what can you find?
GW: Probably some expired eggs, bad grapes, milk, beer and of course Diet Pepsi Max.

SECOND HAND SERENADE will perform 7 p.m. Monday, April 6, in the Ervin J. Nutter Center. The group is currently touring with The Fray. Tickets are $10 for students and $20 for the general public. Purchase tickets at ticketmaster.com or Nutter Center Box Office.

ART EXHIBIT: The Ninth Annual University Honors Program Art Exhibition is on display 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday now through October 31 at the University Honors Program offices in Alumni Hall. For more info, call (937) 229-4615.

THE FIRST REGIONAL ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL COLLABORATIVE will be held Friday and Saturday at the Dayton Convention Center. Community, college and cultural leaders will come together for this collaboration of contemporary urban music and entertainment. The event will feature presentations, live performances and seminars. To purchase tickets, call (937) 228-3630 or go to www.ticketcenterstage.com. To find out more, call Sierra Leone at (937) 241-4957 or visit www.cultureworks.org.

DON’T MISS UNIVERSITY NIGHT AT DAYTON OPERA. See the opera “The Merry Widow” 8 p.m. Friday at the Schuster Center. Tickets cost $15. Purchase ticket vouchers at the KU Box Office by April 1. Tickets include a free RTA bus ride to and from the performance, a free pre-performance reception at Boston Stoker on 2nd Street and admission to the performance. For more information, call (937) 222-2767.
Barren Bowls raises African hunger awareness

CHRIS RIZER
Staff Writer

Ellen Schneider, Senior Art Education major, decided to use the seventh grade class from nearby Holy Angels Elementary School as her research subjects for her honors art thesis project called Barren Bowls, introducing a faraway concept to their artwork – hunger in Africa.

The project consisted of having students participate in a 14-week process of creating African-style sculptures of bowls and masks while teaching them about hunger in Africa.

Aside from creating art, the students actively learned about world hunger by tracking their daily food intake and comparing it to United Nations food rations for hunger-ridden places in Africa.

“The idea was the planning and implementing of very specific and intended learning activities,” Schneider said.

The African hunger theme followed this structure, she said, to the more specific theme of “art education and its inclusion in multicultural activities.” She said she wanted to see the students’ reaction to teaching with a social concept.

“Their reaction was really positive,” Schneider said. “They remained very engaged because they knew they were one step closer to seeing the vessel going into the kiln.”

Schneider got the idea of using Holy Angels students for her project from observing teacher, Maria Cleary for an education course her freshman year at UD.

Schneider wanted the students to have more of an understanding of the reason for artists’ work, allowing them to deal with ideas such as this on a higher level than usual.

Susan Byrnes, Director of ArtStreet, said ArtStreet has “specialized facilities” for honors art student’ projects since their thesis work will often take a different form from that of most students’, which are typically paper or presentation projects.

“We like to honor the honors thesis students with an exhibition of their work,” Byrnes said.

Byrnes said the driving forces of the Barren Bowls project were social justice, world hunger and cultural awareness. Thus, ArtStreet is the ideal place for display.

“She was able to bridge so many ideas into one project,” Byrnes said. “She really moved them toward this wonderful project.”

Byrnes encourages students sharing their art with the community.

“I think that when students have the opportunity to conduct special projects and have the opportunity to share them in a different format to share with other students and professors, it inspires them to push their ideas in their projects even further and inspires greater innovation.” Byrnes said.

The project will be featured in ArtStreet Gallery D from its opening ceremony 7 to 9 p.m. March 31 through May 1.

Celebration of the Arts opens Stander, features music ensembles

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Maureen Longo graduated from UD in 2007, but she still comes back to see the Celebration of the Arts, the annual kickoff event for the Stander Symposium.

The Schuster Center will host Celebration of the Arts, a variety of artistic entertainment, starting at 8 p.m. April 15.

Longo is a graduate student at Wright State University, who earned her undergrad at UD. A lot of her fond memories come from Celebration of the Arts. Longo spent a lot of time practicing music in order to be part of the event.

“I have performed with the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Dayton Jazz Ensemble in the past at the Celebration of the Arts, and have always had a wonderful time being involved,” Longo said.

Though Longo isn’t part of the on-stage action, she doesn’t mind.

“This year, instead of being on stage, I’ll be an audience member, and I can’t wait to experience all of the artistic performances that UD has to offer,” Longo said. “One of my favorite parts has always been the presentation of the visual arts.”

Coordinator of Celebration of the Arts, Andrea Wade, said no one can get into the Schuster Center without a ticket, but the shows are free.

“Admission is free and tickets are available through Kennedy Union Box Office,” Longo said. “Also free transportation to the Schuster will be provided by the Greater Dayton RTA. Round-trip charter buses will depart from the corner of Stewart and Alberta at 6:45 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15.”

The event is filled with demonstrations, student films, student art and design. The celebration will feature performances by the Noble Carneys, Ebony Heritage Singers, Dayton Jazz Ensemble, Symphonic Wind Ensemble, University Orchestra, Chorale, and more according to the Facebook group about the upcoming event.

The closing reception for the symposium will be the department of visual arts’ annual Horvath Exhibition 5 to 7 p.m. April 16 at the Rike Center. The juried exhibition highlights student artwork and is on display through April 22.

Longo said it will be different to not be in the Celebration of the Arts because of the time she has dedicated to it. She strongly encourages UD students, faculty and staff to take advantage of the events coming up.

The Celebration of the Arts is filled with diversity, Longo said, and the diversity in art is very positive and inspiring.

“I hope everybody at UD has a chance to witness this diverse celebration, as I’m sure performers and audience members will leave the performance feeling inspired.”
UD students do their fair share of it, but that doesn’t mean they aren’t focusing on academic work

Recently, UD took part in an AlcoholEdu study, where it was found that 85 percent of UD students reported having a drink within the last month. Compared to a 2007 national survey in which 63.7 percent of full-time college students ages 18 to 22 reported having a drink in the last month, UD’s numbers are considerably higher.

The numbers shouldn’t come at any surprise — UD is known as being a drinking school.

And while the founder and chief executive officer of NASPA questioned students’ commitment to their education by “drinking instead of investing time in building their future,” Sister Schmeling said it’s just about balance and control.

Is this unique to UD? Are UD students better able to balance school work and drinking better than students at other schools? We may be known as a drinking school, but that doesn’t mean we don’t know how to take school seriously, as well as our extra-curricular activities and service commitments.

Recently, it was announced that UD ranked in the top 25 in the nation among medium sized colleges and universities with alumni currently serving as volunteers in Peace Corps and were fourth in Ohio in the same category. Maybe more attention should be given to our achievements, rather than our drinking habits.

Of course some UD students are going to have drinking problems, but uniquely, the majority of UD students are able to put down the drinks and pick up the books; school does take priority. We do have pride in more than our drinking habits; we have pride in ourselves, our school and our work. And while we’ll still brag that “we pregame harder than you party,” we also serve and study harder, too.

Drinking

What is your best friend doing? What is Shaquille O’Neill doing? What is Sony doing? What is everyone doing? To find these answers, look no further than the social networking site Twitter, which captures every member’s thoughts and actions, 140 characters at a time.

I was unaware of the impact Twitter was having on our culture until a few weeks ago, because I found the site unnecessary and ridiculous, so I effortlessly blocked it out of my mind. Then I read a story about how Shaquille O’Neill, posting under the name “THE_REAL_SHAQ,” was updating his Twitter status during one of his basketball games while playing for the Phoenix Suns. So in case you were unaware, because I was, everyone is on Twitter.

It’s not just a social thing. Last week, Sony released a new poster for its summer 2009 blockbuster release “Angels and Demons” on Twitter. And you know what? I can’t blame them, because that’s where everyone is. Blogs are so 2007.

Look, I love AOL Instant Messenger and enjoy spending a few minutes on Facebook every day, but do I really need to know what my friends and family are doing or thinking every second of the day? I don’t think so. Even the aforementioned Facebook has fallen into the trap and become “Twitterized.” Look, I just turned Twitter into an adjective. Let me tell you right now that any time a person or company’s name is used as an adjective it is almost always with bad connotation. Facebook’s latest updates are far too similar to Twitter, and in trying to compete and hold its share in the social network market, it has hurt the look and feel of the site.

So maybe you agree with me that it’s a little annoying, but in the end is it really a big deal? It probably seems like just another harmless way to kill time when you could be doing something else more productive. It could be, or it could keep growing in popularity and fall victim to people taking advantage of this cultural obsession.

For instance, with more and more famous people Twittering, it’s well within the realm of possibility in the near future that companies start paying celebrities on Twitter to post certain thoughts and actions as a form of advertising. For example, if Sony might approach LeBron James and offered him a large amount of money to post this status on Twitter:

“LeBron James is hanging out and playing Sony Playstation 3.”

LeBron James would be crazy to turn down money for doing absolutely nothing while Sony gains instant publicity from the thousands of people following what LeBron is “doing.” Now odds are that James is not actually playing Playstation — more likely he’s making a Nike commercial or winning basketball games for the Cleveland Cavaliers, but no one would ever know. And that’s the problem. In this competitive business environment, the ethical boundaries are stretched to the limits, consumers are deceived and in the end are the ones who suffer.

Even worse than deception, a child predator could find out what a neighborhood kid is doing based on his mother’s status, or even the child’s. Yes it’s disturbing, but I’m just saying, it could happen.

Whether you are a fan of Twitter or, like me, would like to send the site to cyberspace oblivion, beware what the site has become and where it could go in the future. As Tweeters continue to be immersed in what their family, close friends or that guy they met at the bar two years ago are doing, I will be sitting on the social network sideline for this one and watching where it goes. No need to keep me updated.
letters to the editor

SGA elections need to be invalidated, started over

What do Kim Jong Il and the incoming leadership of the Student Government Association have in common? They both recently ran unopposed and won their respective elections. How strange.

Nonetheless, I have to give Kim Jong Il a little more credit. After all, I don’t see SGA’s president promoting her haircut as a standard among UD students.

It’s sad to say, but there are probably tin-pot dictatorships in Africa that did a better job of promoting their elections than SGA did.

Which begs the question: Why not simply invalidate these elections and start over?

If SGA wants the trust of the student body it should quit creating excuses, admit that it did its job poorly, and redo it.

If they don’t want to do it, I say that the University of Dayton has a referendum with four choices: First, Peter Blazunas as dictator. Second, remove the present SGA leadership, invalidate the elections, and have the administration appoint a student committee to run new elections. Third, abolish the student government altogether in favor of an anarchistic-communist commune. Fourth, keep the present government.

Obviously, one of the above choices is pure fantasy; who would, after all, want to live in a commune?

Nonetheless, the point is that SGA failed in running its own elections. Do them over. Don’t whine about respect for the organization. It’s pretty clear at this point that very few people have any.

— PETER BLAZUNAS
SENIOR
ECONOMICS

Severe weather threat reignites locked basement controversy

Per the student announcement e-mail I received from Randall Groesbeck@notes.udayton.edu on Tuesday March 24, 2009, concerning the Spring Severe Weather Awareness Week.

“As we enter Spring and warmer weather returns, we must be aware of hazardous weather conditions that could occur in our area. In Ohio, the two most prevalent severe weather conditions are thunderstorms and tornadoes.”

Severe weather, thunderstorms and tornadoes are prevalent in the Ohio area, a good reason to have an Awareness Week about what to do in these serious situations. For the majority of us on campus, we have been through these drills before, as storms and high winds are not unique to the Dayton area. We even had firsthand experience of this troubling weather recently causing the great blackout of ’03. We have all learned that if you are driving, get under an overpass or in a ditch. At school, get to the most interior, lowest floor possible room with the strongest walls (I’ve been told bathrooms are good because of all that plumbing). At home, get to the basement, period.

We hope by bringing this incident to light, the UD community will be watchful to prevent other such occurrences from tainting the reputation of an otherwise thoughtful and socially aware campus.

This past Monday in class, a student shared seeing sexism within the Ghetto two weekends ago. Our peer saw a group of 30 or so intoxicated males throwing beer cans at passing females chanting “Women are objects!” repeatedly. Our peer was appalled by the blatant sexism and that UD students would act in such a way toward another, treating them as less than human. This event occurred for 20 minutes or so, including a female UD student who was a victim of this attack approaching the mob and encouraging their treatment toward her.

Many in class were saddened by this display of sexism and downright mistreatment of human beings by UD students, and the acceptance and encouragement of such acts. We, as a Catholic Marianist university, have certain values which by which we agree to live, two of these being community and inclusivity. This calls for UD students to respect their fellow students and treat them with love and integrity. This incident negates such charisms and gives a bad name to UD.

— ANTHONY BRUNO
JUNIOR
BIOLOGY

Sexism has no place on UD campus, community

We wish to bring to the attention of Flyer News readers an incident we feel acted out against our Marianist values and degraded the reputation of UD due to the careless actions of a few immature students. We hope by bringing this incident to light, the UD community will be watchful to prevent other such occurrences from tainting the reputation of an otherwise thoughtful and socially aware campus.

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We say to you, our peers, we are better than this. This incident is unacceptable at any time in any place, and especially here at UD. We ask those involved to realize the impact their actions had and take responsibility; drunkenness not now nor ever should be an excuse. Also, we ask you to document such incidents using your cell phone or digital camera and report them to Public Safety as well as file a BRI, or Bias Related Incident at http://stophate.udayton.edu. Let’s show the world what UD really is and never allow this to happen again.

— SARAH DEAK
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INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

political cartoon

recession tip #1

Instead of using 5x as much energy as the rest of the world...

— NICK KASTNER
SENIOR

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Seniors Michael Wade and Michael Murphy play cornhole on Alberta Street last weekend. As the weather warms up, students are increasingly flocking outdoors for exercise and recreational fun. The Campus Rec department has also started intramurals outdoors on Stuart Field. RYNN KOZELKA - ASSISTANT PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Women's Tennis

**Flyers gearing up for Atlantic 10 Tournament**

Dayton hopes to continue improvement on already successful year through season's final matches

**MARISSA MALSON**  
Staff Writer

The Dayton women's tennis team is wrapping up its spring season and is preparing for the upcoming Atlantic 10 Tournament. While the team was dealt its first A-10 loss by Duquesne March 27, the Flyers are looking ahead to tournament play.

“I am really looking forward to the A-10 Tournament,” senior Nikki Dzubay said. “It is a lot of tennis put into a short amount of time, but the competition is good and I have a lot of fun getting some great matches in.”

The Flyers stand at 7-7 for the spring season and will play the last match of the season on April 2 against Wright State.

“Our team has done really well this season,” sophomore Laina Grote said. “We have a rather even record and have won some really close matches, which is really encouraging. We have put our all into every match so I think there is nothing to feel bad about.”

Dzubay agreed that the team has performed well over the course of the spring season.

“The team is doing really well; we have gotten some great wins against tough competition,” Dzubay said. “Overall, I am happy with our performance. We definitely have had some matches we should have won, but it just helps us learn what we need to work on. Every week we look at our match we just played and pick out things we need to work on at practice. We have all been trying to improve on a lot of parts of our game from serves to footwork; it varies from week to week.”

Dzubay is the lone senior on the team, with the rest of the team composed of four freshmen, four sophomores and one junior.

“We have done very well this year considering how young our team is,” freshman Loni Dickerhoff said. “We are looking forward to the last bit of our season and are hoping to play some of our best matches at the A-10 Tournament in a few weeks.”

The A-10 Tournament begins April 17 and matches will be played in Monroeville, Pa.

“We need to stay positive and keep working hard all the way to the A-10 Tournament,” Grote said. “If we use our last couple matches as strong practice for what is to come in the tournament, and keep up our hard work over spring break, we should be rather successful.”

Additionally, Dzubay believes that the team needs to “keep pushing (themselves) at practice to get ready for matches.”

“We have a long season so it is hard to always stay focused,” Dzubay said. “To be successful we have to have a match mind frame at all times so we are ready when we have tough competition.”

Finally, team chemistry will be an important factor in postseason play.

“Even though we may not win every match, our team is tightly knit and there for each other,” Grote said. “If one girl loses, and someone else on the team is in a close match, you get over your loss and cheer for the person still in their match. Everything we do is about the team, rather than individuals. That’s often hard to come by in tennis, and is part of the reason why our team is so much fun.”

Sophomore Kelly O’Connell volleys during a recent practice at the Athletics Practice Facility. The Flyers are preparing for the Atlantic 10 Tournament, which will take place next month in Monroeville, Pa.
Baseball

Flyers off to hot start in A-10 play

Although weather hasn’t warmed up, Dayton off to 5-0 start; Defeated perennial conference power Charlotte

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In case you hadn’t noticed (and you might not have, given the cold weather) the UD baseball season is in full swing.

The Flyers continued a series against strong Atlantic 10 opponent Charlotte on Saturday. Charlotte is perennially one of the top teams in the A-10, but had no answer for Dayton Saturday as the Flyers picked up the win, 4-2.

Dayton was fueled by a 137-pitch, complete game performance from senior left-hander Quinn Haselhorst. Haselhorst bent but never broke during the game, and Charlotte hitters could not figure out his curveball all afternoon.

Haselhorst’s complete game was the second in a row for the Flyers (freshman Mike Hauschild delivered a complete game in the first game of the series Friday). Haselhorst was aided by some strong defensive play, including two outfield assists by left fielder Max Navalinski.

After Charlotte scored in the top of the first inning, Dayton came right back with two runs of its own on a two-run hit by first baseman Jonathan Castine.

The score remained 2-1 until the sixth inning when Charlotte was able to notch up another run to tie the game. Once again, Dayton came right back to regain the lead in the bottom of the sixth on a sacrifice fly by senior catcher Scott Dunwoody. Junior Cole Tyrell added an insurance run one inning later with a solo home run that just snuck inside the left field foul-pole.

After that, it was all Haselhorst, retiring all six batters in the eighth and ninth innings.

With the win the Flyers improved to 14-10 overall and 5-0 in the A-10. After a rocky start to the season, going 2-4, the Flyers have gotten hot, winning six of their last seven games. Dunwoody attributes the Flyers’ strong play of late to a couple sources.

“We’ve been getting some solid pitching performances,” Dunwoody said. “Our starters have been going out there and throwing a lot of innings, and we’re hitting the ball real well ... a lot of times we’ve been getting three or four or

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TONY VITTORIO, HEAD COACH

five run innings, which certainly helps.”

Head coach Tony Vittorio agreed with Dunwoody’s assessment of the pitching.

“It’s awesome to get through day one and day two with complete games,” Vittorio said. “Quinn has done a great job, he’s a true competitor and we expect that out of him. Our freshman pitching is what we’ve been really pleased with. Michael Hauschild and Chuckie Ghyselfs and Cameron Holson; so we’re excited about those guys.”

Vittorio also said a lot of the team’s recent success is due to the attitude Vittorio has instilled in his players.

“It’s not Charlotte you play against, you play against yourself. It all depends on who’s on the mound and executing pitches and playing team offense,” Vittorio said. “We have a lot of experience, players back from last year so probably the experience with the confidence our guys are playing with, we just believe we can win right now.”

Charlotte is usually one of the better teams in the A-10 because it has the opportunity to get outside and start practicing earlier than most other teams because of the city’s climate. Dayton does not get as much work in outdoors before the season starts, but the team gets some work in anyway.

“We actually got out quite a bit this year,” Dunwoody said. “We get our work in, we have some indoor space, but we also get outside and take some ground balls, things we need to do.”

This Dayton team is never intimidated, and that is in part due to the attitude Vittorio has instilled in his players.

“It’s not Charlotte you play against, you play against yourself. It all depends on who’s on the mound and executing pitches and playing team offense,” Vittorio said. “Charlotte is a good team, we’ve got a lot of respect for them, but it’s not who you play against man you play against yourself. More importantly, we executed a game. That’s why you play the game everyday.”

The Flyers will travel to Rhode Island for its next set of conference games this weekend.