



# Gay?

~~I'm cool with that.~~

wait... Am I REALLY cool with that?

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While the sense of community at UD entices students to enroll and reels in national awards, it leaves one group feeling somewhat short-changed: homosexuals.

Straight students often identify with UD's aura of acceptance and are open to a gay community on campus. Where the problem lies is how many students actually look deeper into how they personally feel about it.

While on the surface most students are accepting of homosexuals, sometimes unintentionally they're uncomfortable about gay issues. This can bring gays down.

"The closest thing I have come to discrimination is, surprisingly, with friends," said Kurt Blankschaen, a UD senior. "I have to be careful about which jokes I say in front of which people, or who I ask to go out to dinner with, or who I hang out with. Some people are more comfortable than others. Some people don't want to talk with me in public because others might assume that they are gay."

While straight people are willing to support gay rights, one of their biggest fears is being mistaken for being gay.

"It's very interesting to see how far someone supports a cause and how far someone will identify with that cause," Blankschaen said. "You see it in how people broach topics: 'I'm straight, but I support gay marriage' or 'I'm not gay but I think that

... ' Why is qualification of your sexuality needed?"

Although he's faced some difficulties with the straight community on campus, Blankschaen feels for the most part the UD community has been supportive of his sexual orientation. The first time he experienced student acceptance was from residents in his freshmen dorm.

"It is hard to be gay and be a student at UD. When I first got here I was really nervous living on a floor with all guys," he said. "I didn't tell anyone right away. After I tested the waters everyone was cool with it. They stopped calling each other gay, queer or fag, and I had a blast freshmen year. I got lucky with my group of friends, but I know some guys that didn't hang out with their floor because they feel their floor doesn't like them or wouldn't understand."

Blankschaen has also experienced support from teachers throughout his studies and was pleased with people working in the university president's office when they established job security for gay employees a year before the national government did so. This type of support has made life as a homosexual student on UD's campus easier.

But to get attitudes where they should be, he believes the gay com-

munity has miles to go. Yes, they need support from straight people to get there, but in the end, it's up to the gay community itself to get there, according to Blankschaen.

Throughout his four years on campus, he has been disappointed in UD's gay community. It seems to him that more straights are willing to talk about the issue than gays, which ultimately makes coming out more difficult and a less welcoming option for students hiding their sexual orientation.

A single dinner party made this problem clear to Blankschaen.

"One of the biggest things I've noticed was in my sophomore year, there was a dinner sponsored by Campus Ministry about homosexual Catholics. It filled up and there was great discussion, but there was something fundamentally off about it," he said. "It was presented by a straight presenter and received by an almost totally straight audience. It's good that straights are talking about gay rights in religion, politics and society, but it's still straights talking about and for gays."

Blankschaen hopes homosexuals will embrace who they are, step forward and promote this community on campus.

"There are a lot of changes that

need to happen from the straight community, but in my view the more important ones are needed from the gay community," he said. "We can't just let them speak for us. As unfair as it is, gays at UD are ambassadors for the rest of the community. As for the straight community, there is very little dialogue with gays. Straight people often assume that they already know what gay people want. We are not a cause."

If UD's religious affiliation is stifling homosexual students' openness about their sexual orientation, it hasn't had too much negative impact on Blankschaen. Many teachers are willing to discuss homosexuality and how it links with religion. Although the Catholic Church may seem unaccepting of gay people, its emphasis on social justice means it can be welcoming as well.

"Some homilies are harder to hear than others, but that comes with the territory. I chose to come here so I guess I have to live with the consequences," he said. "While the area of religion and homosexuality is always contentious, this I think puts UD apart from other campuses. Some may think that this is bad, that the Church is homophobic and can't seem to get it right. Others may see this as good that despite ambivalent theology from the Church on this issue, there is still an atmosphere of social justice."

Many campuses experience challenges with gays receiving all the rights they should. While some problems may be easier than Catholicism for homosexuals to deal with, some may not.

"If I went to a secular school, the issue would still probably be my faith, but rather I would be the one defending it," Blankschaen said. "Life might

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## UD ranks nationally in community development

**JACLYN PHELPS**  
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UD recently ranked as a top Catholic university nationally and tied for number two in urban revitalization among Catholic universities in the 2009 "Saviors of Our Cities" award.

Out of 25 schools, UD was put in the spotlight because of its impact in urban communities. UD is tied second for urban revitalization with the University of Pittsburgh. The University of Pennsylvania and University of Southern California are tied for number one.

UD has created numerous projects to rescue the Dayton community from its title as a "dead city."

There were 11 criteria used to rank schools including the institutions' longstanding involvement, dollars invested by the universities, faculty and student involvement in community service, sustainability of neighborhood initiatives and the effect on local student access and affordability to attend college through K-12 partnerships, according to a recent press release.

UD president Dr. Daniel Curran said UD's contribution to service and the Dayton community is a historical endeavor.

He explained UD has projects that go back decades, such as the Dakota Center. Other projects have included working with Dayton Public Schools, the Dayton Early College Academy and the Fitz Center.

UD's director of the Fitz Center and community leadership, Dick

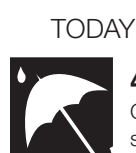
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“Straight people assume that they already know what gay people want. We are not a cause.”

– Kurt Blankschaen

## weather

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# Bombeck Center recognized for quality childcare services

## UD's local daycare center lets UD students educate children, gain hands on experience

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UD's Bombeck Family Learning Center recently received the highest rating for Ohio childcare centers.

The Bombeck Center was rated by "Step Up to Quality," a volunteer assessment process that allows childcare providers to be rated on one to three stars. The center received its three star rating after surpassing Ohio's licensing standards, according to a press release.

Diana Smith, director of the Bombeck Center, believes there are a number of reasons the center has received such high marks.

"We follow the three Rs: respect families, peers and students; research for future improvements; and reflect on practices," she said.

Smith takes pride in the services the center provides. She describes it as a place "to dem-

onstrate a successful childcare environment to the teacher applicants of the education program at UD."

But it's not only "Step Up" and staff that think highly of the center. Students involved in the center acknowledge this same positive atmosphere as well.

Sarah Moellering, a junior, has worked there two years and said it has provided tremendous help with her future career.

"The teachers at the Bombeck Center are not just teachers, they are mentors," she said. "They sit down with you and discuss your strengths as a teacher and what you can improve on."

Moellering not only commends the center for its mentoring, but also the services it provides to parents and children.

"The preschool allows the children to build on their schema and receive a head start to all of the concepts they will be learning once they reach kindergar-

ten," she said.

In the future, Smith believes

the center will "continue to grow about childcare is provided." as new information and research



Four Bombeck Center students enjoy a break on Tuesday. The center recently gained national recognition and a three star rating. LAURA MACK/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR



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# ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS MAKE THE GRADE FOR UD

Campus works  
on sustainability,  
sets example  
for universities

NATALIE KIMMEL  
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton is succeeding in redefining its role in the environment after changing its grade from a C+ on the 2009 College Sustainability Report Card to a B+ on the 2010 Report Card released Oct. 7.

The report card identifies colleges and universities that are leading by example in their commitment to sustainability. The grades are determined by assessing performance across 43 indicators in nine main categories.

UD tied with Ohio State University for the second highest grade in the state right after Oberlin College, which received an A-. UD and Ohio State were the only two universities that received any form of a B, Kurt Hoffman, environmental sustainability manager said.

"I'm approaching the end of my first year as UD's sustainability manager, and I can say confidently that there are more sustainability programs in place and on the drawing board here than at almost any other college I know," Hoffman said. "We have made some huge strides in energy savings, waste minimization and efficiency."

Twenty percent of electricity consumed in the U.S. is for lighting, and according to the Ohio Senate, 87 percent of Ohio's electricity comes from burning coal. UD is striving to counter these statistics and do its part for the betterment of the environment in Ohio, the U.S. and the world.

UD is committed to reducing utilities usage by 10 percent during the 2009-2010 academic year. One way UD plans on achieving this goal is through conserving energy by replacing the lighting in Roesch Library with a high ef-

ficient/high light output combination that requires only about half the energy as the original lighting. The new lamps have a life of 40,000 hours as opposed to the old lamps' lives of 20,000 hours. UD is reducing the number of fixtures in half and installing more efficient bulbs in every other fixture throughout the library. And don't worry about book worms; the new lighting arrangement will not decrease the brightness level in the library, it will actually increase.

According to Jim Blevins, director of general maintenance and energy, UD will save on air conditioning costs because the existing ballasts generate significant amounts of heat, while the new units generate virtually no heat. The other big savings is with maintenance. UD will now have only half the fixtures to maintain. With the warranties, UD will not incur replacement costs for three to five years.

By reducing the amount of energy used in the library, Dayton will reduce campus-wide energy by 10 percent, or \$1 million. This campaign is both energy and cost-efficient. It will likely take a couple of months to complete the new light arrangement because there are over 11,000 fixtures to retrofit.

UD has a heightened awareness about their use of energy and other natural resources. By changing to more efficient bulbs

UD is eliminating unnecessary energy usage and maximizing its resources.

Since all UD students play a part in the use of resources, they also have the opportunity to be part of the solution. There are many ways UD students can get involved, such as joining the Sustainability Club or the Sustainability, Energy, and Environment Living Learning Community.

The Sustainability Club hosts eco-events, coordinates an annual campus energy saving competition and works with the student government and administration to help make the campus more eco-friendly. It just takes a little energy from students to conserve a lot of energy for everyone.

Students don't realize that energy is still consumed through plugs being left in outlets even if they're not in use. This energy is also known as "ghost power." For students hoping to help reduce energy usage, Hoffman suggests that they invest in a power strip and turn off the strip when they leave their room to stop energy from being wasted.

With a little help from students and faculty, the University of Dayton can change more than light bulbs. It can change the future.

## campus watch

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### DANCE MARATHON REGISTRATION

Today is the last day to register for Dance Marathon, which takes place Nov. 7. The 12-hour event raises money for the Children's Miracle Network and Dayton Children's Hospital. Register at [www.helpmakemiracles.org/event/dayton-dancemarathon](http://www.helpmakemiracles.org/event/dayton-dancemarathon).

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### CHRISTMAS ON CAMPUS 5K REINDEER TROT

The \$15 registration and packet pickup begins at 9:30 a.m. at ArtStreet on the corner of Lawnview and Kiefaber. Awards will be presented to the top five male and top five female participants. There will also be prizes for the best Christmas costume and best team theme.

## COMING OUT

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be easier somewhere else, but it might not be."

UD promotes acceptance of all sexual orientations on campus and invites students to talk about their homosexuality with the support of counseling services and the organization, Student Allies.

"It's an issue that presents itself at college counseling centers, whether it is a public or private institution," said Steven Mueller, assistant vice president and director of counseling and health services. "[The counseling center] is a safe place to come talk about it."

While the sense of community at

UD is a point of pride that gives the university national recognition, it should also be the vehicle that unites the diversity of students on campus. UD is making strides in this area, but the quest for acceptance of all sexual orientations still needs hard work.

"The greatest strength about UD is community, but all communities need work," Blankschaen said. "Someone once told me that hard work is the language of God. Funny thing about work is that it doesn't care who you go home to at the end of the day. That is what makes UD an accepting place."

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# UD COACH GIVES FROM THE HEART

Brian Gregory teams with young transplant recipient to spread organ donation message

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In the last 10 years, more than 2,000 Ohioans have died waiting for an organ transplant.

UD's men's basketball coach Brian Gregory and 9-year-old heart transplant recipient Pierce Blalock have teamed up with Life Connection of Ohio to advocate organ donation

awareness in hopes of reducing that number.

Gregory and Blalock shared their message of awareness in a public service announcement for Life Connection of Ohio, a nonprofit organ procurement organization.

"Registering as an organ and tissue donor is such an easy thing to do, yet it has such an enormous impact," Gregory said. "The greatest gift you can give is to give of yourself to help

someone in need. Just look at Pierce. He has so many possibilities now in life because someone said yes [to being a donor]."

Pierce suffered from congestive heart failure at three months old and received a heart transplant at 15 months. He is now a healthy 9-year-old third grader who is a Flyer basketball fan.

"Pierce knows how important his transplant is, as well as organ donation awareness," Kara Blalock, Pierce's mom, said. "He knows to give back and pay it forward. When you are involved in an experience like ours, you are willing to help and give back."

The Blalock family tries to raise awareness for children in need of transplants. Kara Blalock talked about the importance of organ donation for children because many people associate organ donation with adults. Children are affected too, she said.

"Coach Gregory and the University of Dayton have a dedicated fol-

lowing of Flyer fans, and we want UD friends and fans to become 'Flyers for Life' by registering as organ and tissue donors," Cathi Arends, director of Community Relations at Life Connection of Ohio, said. "Thanks to an organ donor, Pierce is a future Flyer."

One organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 50 people, according to the Life Connection of Ohio Web site.

Life Connection of Ohio strives to enhance the lives of people in need by providing services to 53 hospitals within 23 counties in central, southeast and northwest Ohio. The organization has a goal of raising the number of organ donors and ending the wait for both organ and tissue transplants.

There are 3,007 Ohioans currently in need of a transplant and the need for organs far exceeds the supply. Every 11 minutes a name is added to the National Transplant Waiting List and 18 people die each day waiting for an organ, according to Life Connection of Ohio.

The state of Ohio is addressing the organ shortage through the Ohio Donor Registry, which was created in 2000 when Gov. Bob Taft signed the Organ Donor Bill. By joining the registry, a participant's decision to be an organ donor is known and honored.

In the 2008-2009 school year, the University of Dayton participated in the Do It Now College Competition through Donate Life Ohio, which is made up of numerous organ donation organizations such as Life Connection.

UD competed with 13 other universities statewide to register the most organ donors. Other universities included Xavier University, Miami University, University of Cincinnati and Ohio State University. All together, the 13 universities registered more than 125,000 donors for Ohio.

Being a donor is a way for those of the Dayton community to reach out to those of the outer community and truly make a difference in others' lives.



Heart transplant recipient Pierce Blalock (front right) and family participated in an organ donation publicity event at a UD basketball game last year. PHOTO PROVIDED BY LIFE CONNECTION OHIO

## NATIONAL RANKING

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Ferguson said leadership is what builds community and that's what makes UD stand out from all the rest.

"Many individuals and programs contribute to UD's leadership in Dayton. Our university is a very good citizen," Ferguson said. "We help Dayton build on its great assets. We leverage long-standing and trustful relationships. We bring people together around widely shared visions of the future."

Curran believes the Fitz Center's involvement from faculty and staff who have researched and participated in a wide variety of service programs is crucial for the university.

One organization he takes great pride in is the Rivers Institute and the River Stewards, because they "bring together academics, the interest of students and the interests of the community," he said. It also enables students to get hands on science experience with the river in UD's backyard.

"It is important to have students on the river doing scientific

tasks, looking at water quality, looking at the impact of the industry and environment is so important," Curran said. "And I think we are taking a leadership role in that area."

The Fitz Center is involved with numerous other organizations on campus and in the Dayton area to bring a brighter future to the area.

"We will work on tough challenges wherever folks are willing to work with five principles: build on community assets, form trustful relationships, convene important civic conversations, increase adaptive capacities and work from a widely shared vision," Ferguson said.

Curran is pleased that UD is also the only Catholic university that sponsors a charter school, the Dayton Early College Academy.

"DECA was originally a public school," he said. "As pressures confronted the public school they worked closely with [UD] to make it a charter. It brings its challenges from a fiscal perspective."

UD's School of Education worked hard with the Urban Catholic schools to make DECA happen.

"DECA couldn't be more exciting," he said. "It's not about all

students coming to UD, but all students going to college."

Another initiative is the Civic Scholars, which is a program that brings students together with local government.

"I think that [the Civic Scholars] will hopefully form future leaders in that program, too," Curran said.

He sees UD playing a significant role in helping the region and possibly the world.

"We are not only involved socially with education but play a significant role in working for the economic development of the region and we plan on having a positive impact on the Dayton community,"

he said. "With students reaching out to the community, the environment and sustainability are important not only to the Dayton community, but to the world. When you have this interaction between faculty and students and staff, that's exciting."

## Crime Log

### Assault

**Oct. 4, 1:09 a.m.**

Officers Roberts and Ryan were dispatched to Virginia W. Kettering residence hall on the report of an assault. The officers met with a 19-year-old male UD student who stated that at approximately 12:15 a.m., three white males approached the student on Evanston Avenue, in front of the RecPlex, and assaulted the student by punching him in the face. There are no witnesses, suspects or known motives at this time.

### Criminal Damaging

**Oct. 4, 2:09 a.m.**

Officer Little was dispatched to the RP1 parking lot on the report of a damaged vehicle. He then met with a 21-year-old male UD student who stated that he parked his car at 10:50 p.m. on Oct. 3 in the lot. When he walked past his car at 1:45 a.m. on Oct. 4, the student noticed that the driver's side mirror was broken. The mirror had been pushed against the side of the car, damaging the plastic housing and breaking the actual mirror.

### Burglary

**Oct. 4, 11:50 p.m.**

Officer Parmenter was dispatched to a Chambers Street residence on the report of burglary. Three male UD students stated that the lock on their back door had not been working properly, and their door had been left unlocked the night of Oct. 3. When one of the residents entered the kitchen at 9 a.m. on Oct. 4, he observed that two backpacks containing textbooks, two iPods and calculators, all belonging to the house's residents, were missing.

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety on Oct. 4. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.



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Beth Renner and a group of UD students bike home after spending the morning shopping at the Second Street Market, a local market featuring locally grown and made products. LEAH WINNIKE/ASSISTANT PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

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## Faux Flyers attempt deceit for money from area residents

MEGHAN MILLER  
Staff Writer

Recent door-to-door fundraiser seekers have been posing as UD student athletes to raise money for themselves.

UD released a press release detailing the incident to neighboring communities including Centerville and Huber Heights, according to athletics administrator Debbie Seaman.

This is not the first time that

this scam has been attempted in order to solicit money from Dayton area residents, according to Seaman.

She stated that she wasn't aware of why someone would want to commit these actions but was concerned for local residents and students.

"We wanted to get the alert out through a press release that this behavior was happening. I wouldn't want the community to be deceived," Seaman said.

Kettering Police Department's crime prevention and public records officer Michael Burke said that no reports had been made in Kettering, but with such close proximity to the university, residents, no matter what neighborhood, should exercise caution.

Burke said possible ways in which to deter these individuals from attempting this scam again is if there ever is an actual fundraiser that Flyer athletics are sponsoring, they should call the

local police departments of the city they are soliciting and let them know that the athletes are in the neighborhood.

"Anyone at anytime needs to always be cautious when approached by a solicitor because some solicitation is completely legitimate and some is not," Burke said. "It is best to be aware at all times."

Seaman said that residents in the surrounding locales should be more aware of solicitation laws

within the city that would affect their community and help them to avoid becoming crime victims.

"Local residents could ask students to see their student identification, also," said Seaman.

This type of solicitation could be punishable as a case of theft by deception, according to the Centerville Police Department. Theft by deception is classified as petty theft, or a misdemeanor of the first degree if the amount of money stolen is under \$500 or more.

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# POP CULTURE BRINGS ZOMBIE MANIA TO LIFE

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Silence hangs in the air as you walk down a deserted Lowes Street, but as the sound of your footsteps echoes off the boarded houses, you notice that you are far from being alone. Only one word hangs in your mind: zombies.

With the growing number of zombie-based entertainment media, fans are dragging their bodies to see, read and play games involving zombie-killing action.

"The cultural fascination with zombies stems from a deep-seated horror of the animate human corpse; that is, a being with a recognizably human body that contains no humanity within," said Jeffrey Courtright, a philosophy and film professor at UD.

Zombies have been featured in movies since the beginning of horror films, with famous titles such as "Night of the Living," "Dawn of

the Dead" and recently "Shawn of the Dead," which became a zombie fan-favorite right away.

The newest zombie comedy film "Zombieland" takes place in the U.S. after zombies have killed most of the population. A group of zombie killers tries to make sense of what really matters in a post-apocalyptic world.

"Besides the great zombie killings and funny dialogue, it ["Zombieland"] still had an amazing plot," said Jamie Sturgill, an electric and chemical engineering student.

"I love zombie movies because they provide a good story and circumstances that someone usually doesn't find themselves in," he said.

Zombie-themed video games are also growing in popularity, with titles such as "Dead Rising," "Resident Evil" and "Left 4 Dead."

The objective of these games is to make it through the levels while

fighting off hordes of the living dead.

"Part of the enjoyment of the 'shoot em' up' zombie genre is that the zombies are most obviously not human anymore," Courtright said. "It makes it easier to get a visceral thrill out of destroying human-looking beings. They keep on coming, and the protagonist has to keep shooting or cutting them up."

Fans took the idea of killing zombies to the next level with the live-action game "Human vs. Zombies" which is now sweeping across college campuses.

In "HvZ," a group of human players, wearing bandanas around their arms and Nerf guns at their sides, fight for survival against a growing group of zombie players, who sport bandanas on their heads. Further information about this "moderated tag" game can be found at humansvszombies.org.

Austin Wiggin, a student at Otterbein College near Columbus, Ohio, said he has been playing the "HvZ" game with others on his campus.

"Our game is last-man-standing," he said. "Over 200 people

are playing with five random people who start as zombies, and the game is over when one human is left who wins \$100. I've lasted five days

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Jeffrey Courtright, philosophy and film professor

already, and the human count is down to like 90 people."

To further add to the craze, many books have been published in order to inform the masses on zombie-

takeover survival.

Such popular titles as "The Zombie Survival Guide," "World War Z" and "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies" tell of a world where the idea of zombies is as factual as the air we breathe.

Some students, however, are not taking part in the current zombie obsession.

"I think [zombies] are a little out there," said Kelly Mullen, an international studies major. "I don't think it's actually real. Someone talked about it in class the other day, and we all just laughed. The teacher made fun of him for it and still does every day."

Still, other students said it might not be realistic to believe that a day when zombies roam the earth is coming, but it never hurts to prepare.

"I'm ready for zombies, but other people would get in the way ... people with other plans or people who didn't know what was going on," Sturgill said. "The main plan is to get somewhere cold and make a self-sustaining community, picking up people, supplies and guns on the way."

## 'CSI' star and best-selling author to speak

SARA DORN  
Chief News Writer

Star of CBS's "CSI: NY" and New York Times' bestselling author Hill Harper will speak at 7:30 p.m. today in UD's RecPlex as part of the Diversity Lecture Series.

Harper's speech will be based on three main themes: fear, courage and the idea that each individual designs the course and outcome of his or her own life.

"My soul mission with whatever I do is to uplift, inspire, empower and entertain," Harper said. "The hope is that everyone will get something different out of what I speak about, and whoever attends, something will resonate personally within them."

Much of Harper's inspiration comes from his own personal struggles.

"Acting is an interesting journey because an actor experiences a great deal of rejection, and people see them in one role on screen, but people don't see all the rejection they've gone through before that," Harper said.

Harper currently plays the character Dr. Sheldon Hawkes on "CSI: NY." He has also done work on the Fox TV show series "Married with Children."

In addition to acting, Harper has written advice books for teens titled

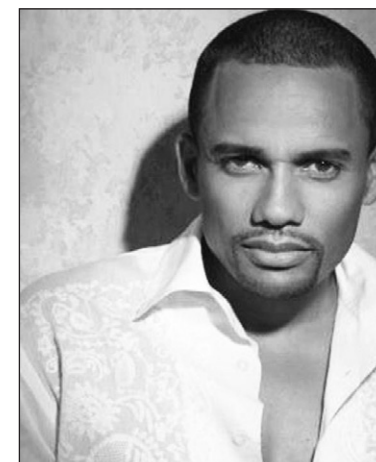
"Letters to a Young Brother: MANifest Your Destiny" and "Letters to a Young Sister: DeFINE Your Destiny," which are both New York Times bestsellers. He recently published "The Conversation: How Black Men and Women can Build Loving, Trusting Relationships."

"I travel and speak to a lot of students across the country, and many ask questions that start to fit certain themes, and I wanted to write books that answered those questions," Harper said.

Harper has found other ways to send his message and assistance to young people as well. He is founder of MANifest Your Destiny, a foundation geared to empowering, encouraging and inspiring underserved males and females to succeed.

"There's many individuals out there that have goals and dreams but don't necessarily have the resources," Harper said. "We give scholarship money, as well as put on a summer empowerment academy for people entering the ninth grade whose parents didn't necessarily go to college ... they get one college credit for attending."

Lynnette Heard, executive director of the president's office, said she hopes that Harper will instill his drive and incentive for success in his audience.



Hill Harper will speak today as part of the Diversity Lecture Series. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY TERI RIZVI

"His journey as an African-American man is one filled with success," Heard said. "We look to him to provide motivation, encouragement and inspiration to all who will fill the RecPlex on Friday evening."

UD's Diversity Lecture Series is part of the university's plan to increase campus diversity and educate the UD community in order to aid its success in 21st century society.

"His [Harper's] youthful and energetic presence along with his ability to effectively communicate with young professionals and teens made him the ideal choice for our series," Heard said.

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# AFRICAN-AMERICAN VOICES

“Her Story - Her Song” festival celebrates women’s music and culture

CHRISTINA CHAFFIN  
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton community will have the opportunity to journey from Africa to the United States on a musical voyage this weekend.

Blues, jazz and gospel music arranged and composed by African-American women will fill Sears Recital Hall for “Her Story - Her Song: Festival of African-American Women Composers and Arrangers.”

The festival is part of an annual celebration of African-American music at UD.

Festival coordinator Dr. Donna M. Cox, a music professor at UD, has been celebrating African-American music on campus for 18 years.

According to Cox, the festival will be jam-packed with a variety of events.

“The festival will include recitals, presentations and interactive workshops, which invite participants to experience the music through hearing and singing,” she said.

Throughout the two-day event, the audience will be invited to sing with a gospel choir and can learn from Rosephanye Powell, one of the nation’s leading African-American choral composers.

“The atmosphere will be intimate, informative and non-hectic,” Cox said. “Many opportunities will be included for others to get to know wonderful people who value the significant contributions of African-American women to American



Dr. Donna Cox, pictured in the center, poses with students in Ghana, West Africa. Cox is the coordinator for this weekend’s “Her Story - Her Song” festival, which will celebrate African-American women musicians and their culture. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY DONNA COX

history and culture.”

Dr. Linda Snyder, professor and coordinator of voice performance studies, is one of the performers who will take the stage as part of the Faculty Artist Series program.

Snyder said she has seen firsthand how large the production will be.

“The festival will include wonderful music, outstanding guests and faculty performers, and UD student and faculty collaborative performances,” she said. “Most of all, the event will heighten awareness of the contributions of women

composers to the world of music.”

Cox said her goal is for “the audience to get an insider’s view on a body of music that most would normally not get to hear.”

“I also hope to see people communicating in ways that cross the boundaries of UD students, community members and professional musicians,” Cox said.

Two UD student recitals will occur at 1 p.m. Friday and 10:50 a.m. Saturday, Snyder said.

Guests from other colleges and universities including Claflin University in South Carolina,

Berea College in Kentucky, Central State University in Ohio and Wright State University will also perform at the festival.

“This is a great way to support your peers, as well as take a short and uplifting study break,” Snyder said.

Both Cox and Snyder said they are looking forward to the festival and hope others are touched by the many components of it.

“Remember it takes a composer, performers and listeners to make music happen,” Snyder said. “You, the audience, are essential.”

## event highlights

### Oct. 16

8:30-8:50 a.m.  
Purpose of the Festival  
Sears Recital Hall

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Choral Master Class  
Sears Recital Hall

### Oct. 17

1:00-1:50 p.m.  
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**THE DAYTON OPERA PRESENTS “LA TRAVIATA”** 8 p.m. Saturday at the Schuster Center. Considered one of the top ten all-time opera favorites, “La Traviata” tells the story of Violetta who sacrifices her glamorous life to follow her heart. To find out more and to purchase tickets, go to <http://www.daytonopera.org/site/index.php?page=turandot>.

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fneditorial

## DIVERSITY:

### FOCUSING ON DIFFERENCES CONTRIBUTES TO DISCRIMINATION

If you were to use one word to describe UD, it would probably be community. As part of that community, we're taught to strive for and to celebrate diversity.

But, should we be so quick to categorize people into ethnic groups, sexual orientations or socio-economic classes? By pointing out the differences among us, we are creating separate groups of people.

Stereotypes and labels always have a negative connotation. Pointing out diversity is a form of labeling and it only serves to separate us more. It's important to familiarize and immerse yourself in different cultures, but at the same time understand that it is tradition, pride and passion that creates culture, not ethnicity, orientation or economic position.

Differences among students should be based on qualities they possess rather than these labels. Black, white, gay, straight, male, female; what do those things matter in defining someone? These things are genetic. They are uncontrollable and objective. They don't make someone distinguished or good, and they certainly they don't define who someone is.

How people act, what they accomplish and how they respond to people and the world around them are the important things that establish an identity. Instead of rattling off minority statistics that we so often see, wouldn't it be better to show that every person is equally important and distinct?

In the ideal world, these qualities would be of no importance. In an ideal world one's actions would distinguish them from a group.

What if we lived in a world where you didn't notice these differences? Not a world of clones, but a world in which every single person was celebrated because each person is uniquely diverse.

Instead of celebrating diversity in race, ethnicity, or even orientation, let's celebrate accomplishments, choices, and actions. Discrimination will no longer exist when these differences are not important.

## Overreaction:

Obama did not choose to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, world needs to calm down



MAGGIE MALACH OPINIONS EDITOR

It was Friday, Oct. 9 when I heard the news: President Barack Obama is being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

Before I begin my argument, I would like to make it clear that while I have my opinions on whether or not Obama is deserving of this award, it is completely unrelated.

What bothers me about this situation is that I have heard way too many people blaming Obama for being chosen to receive this award.

Let's do a quick review. Nobel laureates are chosen by a committee in Norway. Candidates are nominated and there is an extensive process to determine a winner. This is not a rash decision and it is not made by one person, or even an American.

Furthermore, one can in no way campaign to be given this honor. The only way that a per-

son can up his chances of being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize is to actually work towards peace. It's a crazy concept.

According to the Nobel Prize committee, Obama was chosen to receive the prize “for his extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples.”

Almost every Web site I visited had the same reaction: “Whaaaaat?” Obviously this choice has caught the country off-guard. I have heard comments that this is just another way the world is showing undeserved adoration for Obama, but a few things need to be considered.

First, historically Americans do not typically receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Out of 97 winners, only 21 have been Americans. They don't historically receive any of the Nobel Prizes that often; in over 100 years, only 10 American authors have ever won the prize in the category of literature.

Second, no country on this planet is known for favoring America. In a committee of Norwegians, we do not have an exceptional amount of clout, certainly not

enough to make an American the pushover candidate to win.

The Nobel Peace Prize is both a prestigious and an established award. Anyone who takes the time to research it will see that its recipients are chosen in a lengthy and thorough process. There is only one annual winner in the world, and in a world with over six billion people, one has to trust that the decision is not made lightly.

I don't care if people disagree with the committee's choice. I understand both arguments about whether President Obama should have been chosen. The fact of the matter is that a respectable portion of the population is angry that he won, and this anger is being severely misdirected. If someone is going to be irate about something, then he needs to direct his feelings at the deserving party.

Whatever the reasons were for the committee ultimately choosing Barack Obama as this year's winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, remember that it was their choice, not his.

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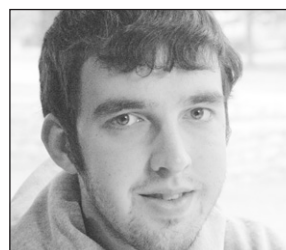
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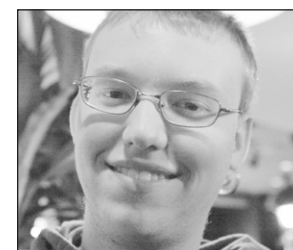
## Word on the street...

Do you think Obama should have won the Nobel Peace Prize?



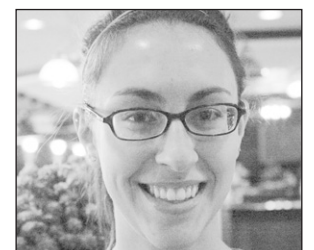
“No. The Nobel Peace Prize should be dictated by actions more than what he is expected to do.”

**JAMES FRITCHMAN, SOPHOMORE**  
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING



“Honestly, no, but I don't have as big a problem with him winning as I do with Gore winning two years ago.”

**BRIAN MCMASTERS, JUNIOR**  
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING



“I don't know what he's done to deserve it.”

**LAUREN KEMPTON, FRESHMAN**  
EDUCATION



# letters to the editor

## Basement debate unearthed, student demands dialogue with Dayton administration

The time for basement storage work orders has come and gone, but I didn't put one in. Why should I, when it would be re-locked immediately afterwards? I live in a house with six bikes that are, quite frankly, too expensive to leave on the porch where a pair of bolt cutters could make quick work of any lock. I also don't have access to my basement, despite the fact that it contains both a washer and a dryer. Right now, I have those same six bikes in my living room, which, besides aesthetic considerations, severely restricts movement and blocks convenient access to the exits of the house. And I'm pissed.

While basements are certainly an old issue, they're one that hasn't been settled satisfactorily for any of the parties involved. And the worst part is that I, and the rest of the student body, have not even really been told why our basements are being locked in the first place.

Why couldn't Res Props have printed a single sheet of paper detailing the policy for my fellow to give me? Who do I contact with complaints? Why did I only hear about how I can store my suitcase there, several weeks into the semester? Why, in short, is there no accountability?

Still, I don't only want to rant – I want the opportunity to present an argument. Can students handle the danger of dealing with storage near a heater? Yes. First, housing could instruct fellows to discuss proper storage and could fine houses that don't comply. Students are adults, and there are plenty of dangerous things that the university has turned a blind eye to if it really wanted to child-proof us. A portion of the stoves are gas; most students have grills on their porches. There are elec-

trical outlets in the bathrooms. Some students even own staplers and don't use safety scissors.

As far as the no-fire-exit-in-the-case-of-a-party fear goes (and I'm reduced to speculation here since UD's official stance on basements has been silence), why couldn't we institute a "basement no open container" rule? Students could still store reasonable items downstairs, such as bicycles and laundry machines, but if they are caught throwing a party, fines would be assessed, much like with the keg rule. I know that kegs still get on campus every once in a while, but if they do, it's always a clandestine operation that rarely leads to the large dangerous parties that got them banned in the first place. Even when they remain undetected, the spirit of the rule prohibiting them still works.

The same, I feel, would be true of basements. Write it into housing contracts. We'll still complain, but at least the logic makes sense.

Further, I know people who now have only one exit to their house, since they no longer have access to a second door on the landing in their basement. This is actually against Ohio fire code: it is illegal for the university to lock these basements for reasons of fire safety.

I'm looking forward to a real dialogue in the future. But for now, there are so many bikes upstairs, that we'll have to take the door off the hinges and start partying in the basement.

ALEX WHITEHEAD  
SENIOR  
PREMED/ENGLISH

## "Gun" column fails to consider Second Amendment

This article is in response to Michael Miller's recent column about the Second Amendment. His proposal was that the Second Amendment has run its course and that it is now time to adopt tighter gun control laws in the name of the safety of Americans. He cites the historical context of the law and the shootings in Columbine and Virginia Tech as reasons to adopt new gun control laws. With all do respect, one should also consider the rest of the facts before adopting this opinion.

One fact that wasn't mentioned was the original intention of the Second Amendment, which he claims was meant to protect Americans from their enemies since no police or army existed to protect them. This may be

true, but the main reason Americans were given the right to bear arms was to protect themselves from what the Founding Fathers would call the real enemy: an out of control government. Thomas Jefferson and company knew that America's birth came out of the failure of the British to protect the individual rights of the colonists, and they didn't want their newly created government to do the same. The right to bear arms was born out of the notion that people are granted by their Creator with the right to protect themselves should their government come after their individual rights.

This notion holds as much truth today as it did 250 years ago. The government may now provide protection from foreign

armies and domestic criminals, but the one thing government cannot guarantee Americans is protection from itself. If a government were to attempt to take away the individual right to own a gun, wouldn't it essentially be taking away the right to protect oneself from the government taking away his or her individual rights? That would be the real end of the safety of Americans. Benjamin Franklin said it best by saying, "Any society that would give up a little liberty to gain a little security will deserve neither and lose both."

LOUIS SCHULTE  
SENIOR  
CIVIL ENGINEERING

## Raise in tuition is not a reflection of greed, for the students' and employees' benefit

Paying high tuition is not ideal, but it is not fair to say that the university is straying from its Marianist values or showing a lack of care for students and their situations by raising costs. Maybe the price increase reflects the costs of running a university and even an attention to the needs of its community members.

The university is not trying to gouge us just for the heck of it. Tuition goes up every year due to the rising costs of energy, upkeep of buildings, payment of employees (UD has to make sure its workers are being compensated fairly, too, doesn't it?), inflation and the amount of money it takes to provide the UD students with a good experience.

Have you ever thought about how much we benefit from our

enrollment here? We have free access to an amazing recreation facility and to tons of sporting, cultural and educational events year-round. We are even one of the few universities where students do not have to pay for intramurals. All of that costs.

On top of all that, UD still costs less than many other universities – look at SLU (\$31,000/yr), St. Joseph's (\$34,000/yr), Fordham (\$37,000/yr), and Richmond (\$40,000/yr), among others.

The university is not slouching in trying to help its students cover costs either. More than 90 percent of students receive some sort of financial assistance, from grants and scholarships to loans and part-time work study programs. In fact, the average award given is \$19,563.

Sure, there are probably ways

UD could be more efficient with its spending, and yeah, it would be devastating to lose what little diversity we have, but how do we know that the administration is not trying to solve those problems already?

Even ignoring all of that, though, I do not think we can say that UD is losing its sense of service and social justice. Look at the Fitz Center and the Center for Social Concern. Look at the number of service organizations and service learning projects on campus.

Really, look at how much UD does for its community.

COLLEEN FITZSIMONS  
SENIOR  
RELIGIOUS STUDIES

**"This is actually against Ohio fire code: it is illegal for the university to lock these basements for reasons of fire safety."**

ALEX WHITEHEAD,  
SENIOR



NEXT QUESTION  
Who is your favorite UD basketball player?

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Football / Rowing

# Flyers returning to Dayton; look to continue win streak

Football team has rattled off four straight wins and will go for number five at home versus PFL foe Davidson

**JOHN BEDELL**  
Assistant Sports Editor

UD Football is finally coming

back home to play in front of the Flyer faithful at Welcome Stadium.



Quarterback Steve Valentino and the Flyers will try to keep the wins coming Saturday versus Davidson. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

The team returns home this Saturday for the first time in three weeks. The Flyers are coming off a 2-0 road trip with come from behind wins over Morehead State and Campbell. Dayton will be looking to improve to 3-0 in Pioneer Football League play when the team welcomes the Davidson Wildcats to town.

UD squared off against Davidson on the road last year and the Flyers' 44-21 thumping was Dayton's 600th win in program history. This year's game, however, promises to be a closely contested game.

"We told the team last night, this will be the best coached team we play all year," head coach Rick Chamberlin said. "They do so much on both sides of the ball scheme-wise that makes you wonder, 'How in the world do they practice all this'. They really know how to go about their game planning and their young men do a good job of executing."

Coach Chamberlin said that the Davidson football program is similar to the tradition of UD football in that the Wildcats' success, in part, is due to the type of young men and the type of

students they have at the college.

"They get outstanding students," Chamberlin said. "The admission standards there are probably even a little higher than they are here at UD. They have bright young men that pick up what the coaching staff throws at them."

But don't just take Chamberlin's word for it. According to Davidson's Web site, the college has graduated 23 Rhodes Scholars since 1837.

The offensive changes that the Wildcats have made this year will be a challenge for the Flyers to defend.

"They're more of a running team now," Chamberlin said. "In the past their quarterback was more of a passer. Now with Michael Blanchard, he's more of a running quarterback. They remind you a lot of the West Virginia offense when Rich Rodriguez was down there. We've got to be ready."

Another similarity Davidson has with the Dayton program is the defense.

"It's a collective effort for them defensively," Chamberlin said. "It's very similar to our team.

We have 11 guys that contribute in their own way and they're no different."

The Wildcats also bear a third striking resemblance to the Flyers and that's how similar Blanchard's style of play is to that of Dayton senior quarterback Steve Valentino.

"Blanchard throws well enough to keep you off balance," Chamberlin said. "And they've got some good wide receivers and they also have another quarterback that they might play as well who is a little better passer than Blanchard and they may bring him in for a series or two."

Chamberlin said that the key to a win over the Wildcats hinges on the running game.

"We have to do what we've been doing consistently on offense all year and that's moving the ball with our ground attack," he said. "We can't just throw the ball every down. We also have to keep the ball out of their hands and tackle well when they do have the ball because they will move the ball."

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## Rowing team enjoys first place finish to start season

**CHRIS MOORMAN**  
Staff Writer

Another fall means it's time for UD women's rowing team to pick up their oars again.

The team kicked off the fall portion of their season at the West Virginia Fall Regatta last Saturday.

In the Varsity Four open meet, the Flyers took first place with a time of 20:42. They also finished in third place in the Varsity Eight open meet with a time of 19:32.

The coach of the rowing team,

Derek Copeland, said even though it was an early race, it was an important learning experience.

Despite the success of the program, women's rowing remains one of the lesser known sports at UD. Last year, despite a change in the point system, the rowing team finished fourth in the Atlantic 10 Women's Rowing Championship.

"Even with the scoring change we were still able to compete with the top schools because we were leaner and meaner," Copeland said.

While rowing may not have the same draw as football or basketball, it definitely puts an athlete's limits to the test.

"Rowing is a sport of mental and physical toughness. It's really about laying everything on the line," said senior Lydia Caldwell, team captain.

The sport requires a strong lower body and a stable core instead of, what many would assume to be necessary, primarily upper body strength.

"People are under the impression it's a big upper body sport, but it's actually 90 percent lower body," Caldwell said. "It's a common misconception."

The season for the rowing team is broken into two parts. The first half of the season starts in the fall. Coach Copeland compared the fall season for rowing to fall ball for baseball or softball.

The spring brings the Flyers back into the water for the championship half of the season.

During the months in between the fall and spring, the ladies continue to work. They may not be outside rowing on the Great Miami River, but they keep working hard inside the Frericks Center perfecting their sweep style of rowing.

"Even though we're racing now, the training will be more serious in December and January while we're inside," Copeland said.

Each practice during the winter months gradually grows in intensity until the team once again gets out on the river in mid-February.

This team is a close-knit group depending on one another to succeed. Junior Grace Doepker said everyone lives together, hangs out together, and more importantly, supports each other.

The team's goal for this year is to be successful at the 2010 Atlantic 10 Women's Rowing Championship, according to Coach Copeland.

Doepker and Caldwell are optimistic about the season. Doepker said the Flyers are in the mix with many of the more prominent, "BCS" schools.

Caldwell summarized the Flyers best. "We're small, but mighty," she said.

The next step for women's rowing in reaching their goal is at the Head of the Eagle meet in Indianapolis on Oct. 31.

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## Women's Soccer

Friday, Oct. 16 at St. Bo-  
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Sunday, Oct. 18 at Duquesne  
2:30 p.m.

## Football

Saturday, Oct. 17 vs. Davidson  
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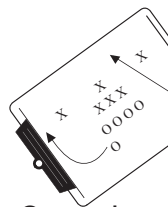
There are only three teams in all of NCAA Division I women's soccer that are still undefeated this season: the Stanford Cardinal, the South Carolina Gamecocks and the Dayton Flyers.

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The 2009 football season for the Dayton Flyers marks the 20th anniversary of the 1989 UD squad that won the NCAA Division III National Championship. The members of the '89 team will be inducted, as a unit, into the UD Athletic Hall of Fame at halftime of the Davidson game Saturday at Welcome Stadium.

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The football team out-scored Campbell 21-3 in the second half en route to a 35-17 victory last Saturday. The Flyers also had 10 first downs to CU's three in the second half.



Coach's Corner: Volleyball

## SHEFFIELD CARRIES ON TRADITION

Coach and team have meshed beautifully to keep UD volleyball a top-tier program

**JACOB ROSEN**  
Chief Sports Writer

Focused and brilliant. That is how people close to head coach Kelly Sheffield describe the second-year leader of the UD volleyball program.

In just over 18 months, Coach Sheffield has continued the volleyball legacy at the University of Dayton with a 2008 NCAA Tournament appearance and a strong 2009 season so far. A post-season bid would certainly be one of the many goals for this year's team, a unit that features just one senior.

Sheffield has followed the success of former head coach Tim Horsmon who left for the same position at the University of Maryland two years ago. The Flyers currently stand at 16-2 with a 5-0 record in the Atlantic-10 Conference, proving how Sheffield's "player-driven" system continues to provide results.

Sheffield began his coaching career in his volleyball-crazed hometown of Muncie, Ind. where he attended Ball State University. He was an assistant coach at his high school alma mater for three years where he won two national championships, and later coached at the club level for seven years.

Starting in 1997, he worked his way into the college game and over the next four years coached at three different universities as an assistant. Sheffield was then in charge of the Albany University program for seven years from 2001-2007 before arriving at UD last season.

In his final years at Albany, Sheffield ran a fast-paced offense built around smaller athletes, a stark contrast to the physical style of the Flyers this season. The best things about this current UD squad are that all of his players are "passionate, driven and coachable," according to Sheffield.

In discussing his coaching philosophy, Sheffield added that he tries to find people that truly want to put the extra work in to get better at the game. He is looking for players that are passionate about volleyball and that are enjoyable to be around at practice and during games.

Junior transfer Amanda Cowdrey is one such individual.

She attended Albany for two years before transferring to Dayton. Sheffield's most impressive characteristic is his "dedication to the sport," she said. "He lives and breathes volleyball and finds out how to make his players better."

When asked about the current state of the program, Cowdrey mentioned how the 16-2 start is not enough just yet. "There is always room for improvement," she said, "but I have never been happier on a team."

Assistant coach Matt Affolder is a long-time friend of Sheffield dating back to their days coaching club volleyball in Indiana. He emphasized how Sheffield's work ethic is what sets him apart from other coaches in the business.

In response to what makes his boss successful, Affolder echoed the sentiments of Cowdrey in emphasizing his work ethic.

"This is clear," he said, "after he went to winless Albany and brought them to the NCAA Tournament three times. He is always looking for ways to make his team better."

Affolder believes that UD volleyball has been headed in the right direction and will continue to do so under Sheffield.

"The program has been on a positive climb for the last five years at least," he said.

The star of this year's team is honorable mention All-American Lindsay Fletmier, an intimidating presence on the offensive attack for the Flyers. Despite the way it seems this season, Sheffield admitted that his athletes dictate the style of play each successive year.

Looking into the crystal ball of the program, the future has never been brighter for Dayton volleyball. Another NCAA trip in 2009 would mark the sixth tournament appearance in seven years, but the post-season accolades are not the only thing that Sheffield wants to accomplish at the university.

His long-term goal is to create "a fun atmosphere that UD, the athletics department and the community are all proud of," he said. "I want to have a program where little girls in the area can look up to the power and grace of the volleyball players and want to be just like them."



Head coach Kelly Sheffield and the Flyers have enjoyed a great season so far, starting 16-2 and 5-0 in the Atlantic 10. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

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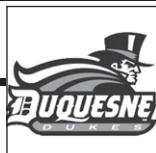
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## Women's Soccer

# BUSINESS BEFORE PLEASURE

Before starting soccer career at Dayton, freshman opened business with two friends

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Freshman midfielder Alexis Garcia has been a major contributor for the Flyers, starting in 12 of their 14 games, but she had already done so much more before coming to Dayton.

The Brunswick, Ohio native started her own business along with two friends from high school. The three helped to open Cammy's Crepes during the summer before they began their freshman year in college.

Garcia said that the idea came from her father, who got it from a business trip in Europe.

"My Dad saw a crepe stand and he thought it was a good idea," she said.

Garcia's father came home and registered the name Cammy's Crepes in Ohio, but due to his job, did not have the time to put the business plan in motion. The name was without a physical presence, not even a sign.

Luckily for Dad, Garcia's high school, Walsh Jesuit, required its seniors are to participate in Senior Experience, a program in which seniors get out and learn about working. Most students went the normal route of shadowing a professional around for three

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**Alexis Garcia, freshman Women's soccer**

weeks. Not Garcia and her friends. They saw senior experience as an opportunity to put Mr. Garcia's plan into action.

Garcia's father set up meetings for Garcia and her friends to get a jump-start for Cammy's Crepes. While her father guided them



Garcia and her friends stayed busy starting a business over the summer. Pictured here is the final product of Cammy's Crepes, located in the Westfield Shoppingtown Southpark mall in Strongsville, Ohio. Garcia and her two partners designed the color schemes, menus and came up with the recipes for Cammy's Crepes. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

through the process because he had experience and knew what kinds of people to contact, basically all the work was done by Garcia and her partners.

"We met with everybody," Garcia said. "We met with promotions people, we met with lawyers, we met with food and equipment distributors, we met with leasing managers. We went everywhere."

Garcia and her friends also came up with the other facets of the business, including color schemes and recipes for the stand.

Over the summer Garcia's mother also got involved in getting the business off the ground. The team was originally ready to go for a grab-and-go style stand, but they were able to get a good deal at the Westfield Shoppingtown Southpark mall in Strongsville, Ohio. They took it, and leased an in-line space in the food court.

"They gave us a really good deal for the food court," Garcia said. "My dad said that we couldn't pass that up."

Garcia and her friends continued to work on opening the business five days a week until they had to go to school. Cammy's Crepes has opened and is operating in full force.

Garcia's mom takes care of running the business now, but Garcia still checks in on the

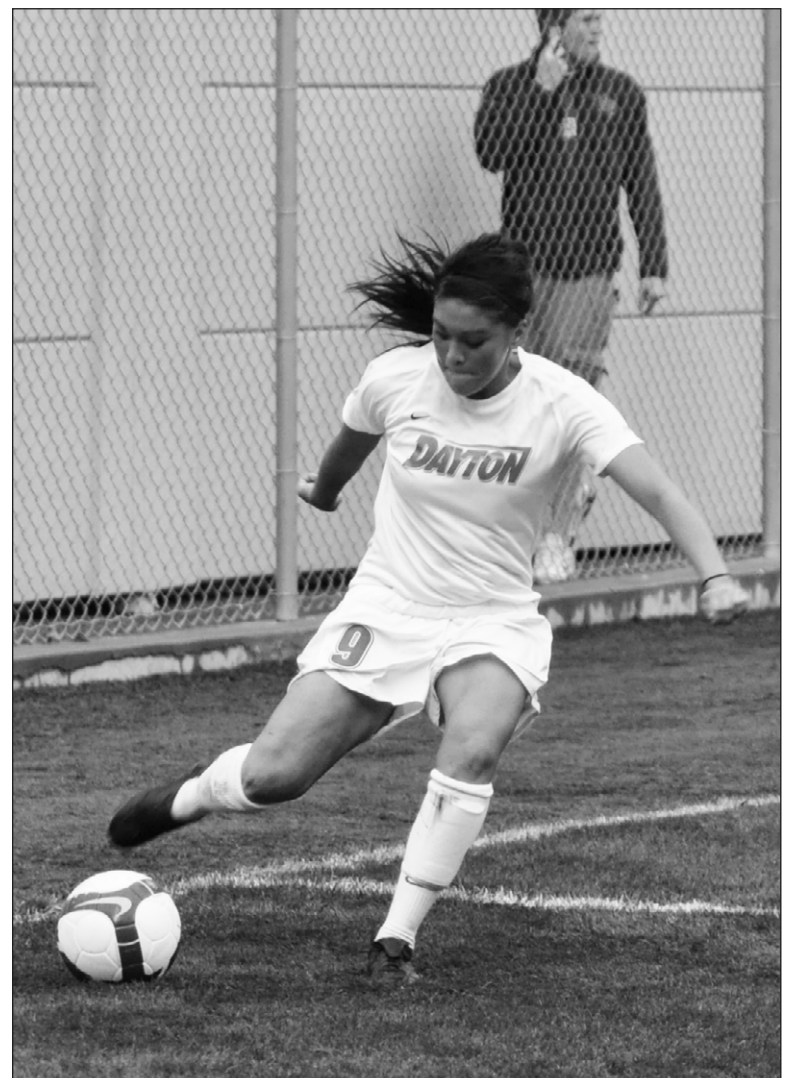
business from time to time. She said they make 400 to 600 crepes a day and are doing quite well. Their store has also been on the local news.

"We've already been on channel three and my mom's been interviewed," Garcia said. "It's been getting good press, and it's really popular right now."

Garcia, a psychology major, knows that her major has nothing to do with Cammy's Crepes, but she thinks the experience of meeting people and being in business situations will be helpful to her down the road.

Garcia also said that because Cammy's Crepes is such a simple idea, it could be duplicated and turned into a franchise pretty easily. It is possible that Cammy's Crepes could span the nation one day, if Garcia and everyone else involved really wants it to. As to whether or not that will happen, she is hesitant.

"We're not sure yet, but we talked to a couple malls in my area that have been interested in opening a Cammy's Crepes," Garcia said. "We wanted to start with one location so it's like testing to see how it goes."



Freshman midfielder Alexis Garcia clears the ball in a game against Temple earlier this season. Garcia has played a vital role in the women's soccer team's success, starting in 12 of their 14 games. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR