The University of Dayton’s Code of Conduct has undergone major revisions recently from the Office of Community Standards and Civility, according to an Aug. 22, email sent to students by the Division of Student Development. • After a year of consultations, UD has made edits to the drug policy, created a new complicit finding for violations, and added in the Opt-In Program, according to Debra Monk, director of the Office of Community Standards and Civility. • One of the changes causing the most controversy from students is the alleged hookah ban, Monk said. • The university added hookahs to the banned list of paraphernalia “commonly used to consume drugs” on campus, she said. • “Paraphernalia includes but is not limited to pipes, bongs, hookahs, and homemade smoking/consumption devices,” according to the Code of Conduct’s drug policy. • Monk said she has struggled to make clear that there is not a hookah ban at the university, but hookahs are considered drug paraphernalia. • “We do not have a hookah policy,” Monk said. • She said if a student is seen smoking hookah by a resident assistant or neighborhood fellow, then the student will be asked to put the hookah away, but will not be written up for a violation of the drug policy. However, if a student is found smoking marijuana through the hookah, the student will...

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Society of Free Thinkers club denied registration
Contradiction of university values, affiliation with national secular organization cited as reasoning

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Two University of Dayton graduate students are continuing their efforts to start a club for the discussion of religion with an emphasis on a secular worldview despite the administration’s recent denial of its registration.

Nick Haynes and Branden King said they began planning their club, the Society of Free Thinkers, in April. Haynes is working toward a Master of Science in applied mathematics, and King is working toward a Master of Science in biology.

The group was designed for religious and nonreligious students to discuss topics related to both religion and a secular philosophy, Haynes said.

King said he and his friend, Kevin Stanton, a 2010 UD alumnus, had the idea for the group because there isn’t a club on campus with a focus on atheist dialogue.

“I was really excited about the idea, so we went right to work,” Haynes said.

The group submitted the necessary paper work to Student Life and Kennedy Union before this year’s deadline, he said.

“Student Life said we were a religious group so we had to get approval from Campus Ministry before we would be recognized,” Haynes said.

Haynes and King said they met with Amy Lopez-Matthews, director of Student Life and Kennedy Union, and Crystal Sullivan, director of Campus Ministry, to get approval for the group. They said this meeting took place approximately two weeks before fall classes started.

Sullivan and Lopez-Matthews both said to them that UD could not back their group, according to Haynes.

Lopez-Matthews said their reason was because the group would contradict UD’s values.

“I don’t know, as a religious, Catholic university, how we can promote this,” Lopez-Matthews said. “It’s in direct contrast to what we believe.”

But UD has supported a similar group in the past, according to Paul Tibbetts, a philosophy professor.

“Years ago I organized, and was the faculty representative, for what was called ‘Free Inquiry,’” Tibbetts said in an email to Flyer News. “It had the then support of the university provost (Pr. James Heft). Both theists and non-theists were invited to attend our bi-weekly meeting and give presentations which members of the group then responded to.”

Lopez-Matthews said she and Sullivan had a problem with the new group’s association with the Secular Student Alliance.

SSA’s mission is “to organize, unite, educate, and serve students and student communities that promote the ideals of scientific and critical inquiry, democracy, secularism, and human-based ethics,” according to www.secularstudents.org.

Haynes said he contacted SSA over the summer along with King to ask for logistical support for forming their UD organization. Haynes said they needed help with issues such as how to start the organization on campus and how to handle confrontations with administration.

Haynes and King then met with an SSA representative a few times this summer to discuss potential roadblocks in the recognition process, before sitting down with Sullivan and Lopez-Matthews, Haynes said.

“Automatically there were some questions about the viability of this group [SSA],” Lopez-Matthews said. “Giving SOFT [Society of Free Thinkers] recognition allows SSA to use the University of Dayton name. How can an institution that’s founded on faith OK an organization that says faith doesn’t exist?”

Haynes said the meeting with Lopez-Matthews and Sullivan made it apparent that the group’s affiliation with SSA would be problematic for gaining administrative approval.

“We had a conversation about coming to an agreement sometime in the future,” Lopez-Matthews said.

She said the organization would have to drop its SSA affiliation if it wanted a chance of successfully registering with the university.

“But Haynes said he and King could do without the SSA connection for their proposed organization. ‘We want first and foremost for SOFT to exist on campus,’ Haynes said. ‘We’re flexible. Having this organization exist is more important than our affiliation with SSA.’”

Lopez-Matthews said Student Life supports dialogue of all religious views.

“We’re all about helping students in development of faith, whatever their beliefs may be,” she said. “If students are atheist, having a place on campus where they can gather or talk is a great thing.”

Haynes and King said they are currently waiting for their next meeting with administrators, and said they are trying to build support on campus. He said they also have prepared a letter to President Daniel Curran and other administrators explaining the organization’s goals.

“We’re not trying to come on campus with an agenda,” Haynes said. “There are stigmas attached to being atheist, and I want to expel those.”

Graduate students Nick Haynes (left) and Branden King (right) pose for a picture on campus, Monday, Aug. 29. The two are working to form a campus organization called the Society of Free Thinkers. MICKEY SINEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

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be cited for a violation and the hookah will be taken as evidence, she said.

“Our drug numbers tripled last year,” she said, citing the reasoning behind the rules on possessing a hookah.

Monk said there also is a new change in the drug testing policy for this school year. The old rules said that a student caught violating the drug policy automatically would be found “responsible” if he or she refused to take a drug test, she said.

In the new policy, a police officer will hand the student an information card detailing how to add evidence to their case, including the possibility of taking a drug test, Monk said. The university will base its finding on the evidence gathered, even if the student refuses to take the test, she said.

Monk said another one of the most substantial changes in the document is the new “complicit” finding for violations. She said a student can be found “complicit” rather than “responsible” if he or she is present during a violation, but not directly involved.

In the past, if a student witnessed a violation and did not stop the problem or leave the situation, then he or she would have been found responsible of violating the Code of Conduct, she said.

Monk said she wanted to go in a different direction with the new finding so “complicit” students are in a better position for the future.

“We wanted a word [complicit] that law schools and medical schools could understand [that] meant that you were not in direct violation,” Monk said. “Responsible clearly means you did it, and not responsible means you didn’t do it.”

The complicit finding will not include a fine, but the student will be required to attend an instructive workshop related to the violation, she said. This educational workshop also could include a reflection paper, she said.

“I definitely think it’s fairer than just black and white, responsible or not responsible,” said Winston Black, a junior chemical engineering major and neighborhood fellow in Irving Avenue.

Monk said the only exception to the complicit finding is in the case of a drug policy violation. She said any student who is found complicit or responsible in these instances will have to submit to random drug testing, according to the Code of Conduct procedures.

This new finding also means students no longer have to sign up in violation of one of the four Standards of Behavior, such as “The Common Good,” Monk said. Under the new revision, she said a student can simply be found complicit.

If any violation is reported, then a UD behavioral hearing officer reviews the student’s report according to the Code of Conduct, Monk said. The university then notifies students of the alleged violations and the possible next steps, which she said includes a new option this year.

Monk said a new Opt-In Program may be offered to students as an alternative to the Student Conduct System, the traditional method of accountability hearings through the University Hearing Board.

The program was developed for first-time incidents of a minor nature, she said. However, students will not qualify for the program if a violation includes the accusation of intoxication, direct possession of alcohol while under age, or offenses of an egregious nature, such as assault, igniting a fire or possession of a weapon, she said.

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For more information about the Code of Conduct, visit http://bit.ly/qyQ4hB.

Counseling Center hires new therapists

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Chief News Writer

The University of Dayton Counseling Center recently added two new therapists, filling positions left vacant since October 2010, according to Dr. Steve Mueller, director of the Counseling Center.

Jennifer Karpinski and Shamell Brandon join the center as the only full-time staff members still working toward a psychology license, Mueller said.

The Counseling Center was short-staffed through end of last year when two therapists resigned in October, Mueller said to Flyer News in May. The Counseling Center compensated for the short staff with waiting lists and extended hours through both semesters, he said.

Karpinski and Brandon, both Wright State University psychology graduates, started at the Counseling Center Tuesday, Aug. 30.

Both new employees said they look forward to working at UD.

“I like the idea of working at a Catholic university, because it’s an idea for a cultural immersion,” Brandon said.

Karpinski said she is trying to experience UD’s campus community.

“I’m really working toward plugging in to campus community,” she said. “This is an immersion opportunity for me, and I want to emerge myself in campus culture.”

For more information on services or to seek professional mental health care, contact the UD Counseling Center at 937-229-3141.

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Hygiene, intimidation causes for new RecPlex rules

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Web Editor

Clean mouths and hemmed shirts will be required of all patrons at the University of Dayton RecPlex fitness floor, according to a new RecPlex policy that prohibits profane language and the wearing of cutoff T-shirts.

The reasons for the policy change include an intimidating culture on the fitness floor for certain males, females and international students, lack of female use of free weights, and hygiene, said Johnny Chase, assistant director of fitness for Campus Recreation.

Chase, who is in his second year as assistant director, said a change in environment was necessary.

“Over those two years, I’ve noticed that we are not the most welcoming environment to all participants,” Chase said. “We do have some students that choose some words that are not very welcoming, that are not very friendly, and thus it creates a very intimidating environment for some.”

Chase said focus groups included profanities used by some patrons of the fitness floor, along with certain attire, intimidated female patrons and kept them from using the facility.

“Since I’ve been here, I’ve noticed female participation in this area, specifically the free weight area, is very low,” he said. “[It is] 1 percent a day type thing. So, if we see 100 males, we see one female.”

Chase, originally from Canada, said Chase, who is in his second year as assistant director of fitness for Campus Recreation.

Chase said. “We do use disinfectant, the less that material absorbs, and the better, even though they might not see it at first.”

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TEACHER FEATURE

Feat. Andy Slade

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Staff Writer

Many students may be familiar with Rate My Professors, a website that allows users to share feedback on the best – and worst – aspects of the classroom experience. This new Flyer News feature delves into the lives of professors who incite passion in their students and cause a buzz on registration day.

Andy Slade, assistant professor and director of the English program at the University of Dayton, said he denounces the traditional authoritative-professor role by giving students the power to conduct his classes according to their own learning goals.

Slade said he stresses the idea that students should think of him more as an equal than as a superior. He said he encourages students to answer questions according to their true feelings and the meanings they draw from text, rather than with responses they think he wants to hear. In addition, he said his students determine the deadlines and grading systems for their assignments.

“They’re not up to me to decide what they learn,” Slade said. “They have to learn it.”

Senior David Recker, an adolescent to young adult language arts education major, said he was enrolled in Slade’s literary theory class in the spring semester of 2011.

“The cool thing about Dr. Slade’s class is that it is completely about learning,” Recker said. “When that happens, grades become unimportant and more learning takes place.”

Recker said literary theory was “a really interesting and different class” that ultimately made him “a much better writer and thinker.”

“I believe that literature can save your life,” Slade said. “It can give you a life you’ve never imagined possible, and I have to be able to show students that it does this. It’s important to teach students how to read in their own way. Anytime a professor treats it [literature] like some kind of chore, it kills it.”

In addition to in-classroom instruction, Slade said he began teaching an extracurricular periodical film series within the past two years.

“The first time I did it, it was international horror movies,” Slade said.

He said the current series explores films by John Waters at 10 p.m. every third Tuesday of the month, at ArtStreet Studio B. John Waters is famous for his trash movies, which means making movies in bad taste, Slade said.

Slade said he believes in the importance of leading extracurricular events at students’ convenience.

“It’s basically a free movie at ArtStreet that you would otherwise not see,” Slade said.

Slade said he also instructs a continuing education course for retired people, which is offered through UD’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. This class will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays from Oct. 6 to Nov. 10, at 1700 Patterson Blvd.

“I am a firm believer in lifelong learning,” Slade said. “I’m currently studying to get my master’s degree in counseling.”

Slade said the continuing education class studies the Dayton Literary Peace Prize winners and runner-ups in the fiction and nonfiction categories.

Slade said he is an academic adviser and also works as an honors thesis adviser for graduating seniors. He said he has instructed a variety of courses throughout the years and currently teaches the 400-level courses literary theory and psychanalytic theory.

Senior Cierra Wood, a public relations major, said she enjoyed taking Slade’s gender and film class over the summer.

“He pointed out little details in every movie that I never would have noticed before taking his class,” Wood said.

Wood said the course also encouraged her to reevaluate films she had seen before, including “Fight Club,” which she watched in the gender and film class.

“Slade’s approach to Freud and studying gender totally changed the way I view literature and film,” said senior Liz Martens, an English and Spanish double major.

Martens said she also took Slade’s summer gender and film class, and enjoyed it so much that she signed up for his literary theory course this fall.

Outside the classroom, Slade said he is strongly committed to his faith, though his teaching style may lead students to think differently.

“Because I swear and I’m a Freudian, students don’t typically think I have a very deep faith and commitment to prayer and meditation,” Slade said. “Although I’m not as deep as I’d like, I could not do what I do without a life of faith, prayer and meditation.”

Slade said he also stresses the importance of处理 relationships and family. He said his three children mean the world to him, and he stays involved with their education board and a variety of programs at their school.

“I try to live a life of purpose and service to others,” Slade said. “I do not do it perfectly, but I try to stay committed to trying to do it better.”
University of Dayton theater directors presented their selection of plays for the 2011-2012 main stage theater seasons at the general theater meeting, Monday, Aug. 29, at Boll Theatre.

This year’s performance lineup includes “Slasher,” directed by Linda Dunlevy, “Eleemosynary,” directed by Tony Dallas, and “Urinetown,” directed by Gina Kleesattel.

After opening remarks from Darrell Anderson, associate professor and director of the theatre department, Linda Dunlevy, director of UD’s 2009 production of French playwright Molière’s “Scapin,” introduced her upcoming play, “Slasher.”

“Slasher,” first performed in 2009 at the Humana Festival of New American Plays in Louisville, Ky., is a spoof of slasher horror films. Dunlevy said it is a combination of blood, violence and laughter.

“I appreciate the transition from serious [themes], to comedy,” said Dunlevy, regarding one of the main reasons why she chose this play.

Dunlevy said the plot centers on Sheena, a young girl working at a restaurant called “Busters” – a pun of Hooters – in order to pay for her college education and help support her younger sister, Hildy. Sheena is forced to live with her mother, Frances, a loud, opinionated preacher of feminist doctrines who constantly attempts to victimize herself, Dunlevy said.

Sheena’s life changes, however, when she is offered a part in a feature horror film, directed by a sexually frustrated, recovering alcoholic D-list director, Dunlevy said.

Tony Dallas, director of UD’s 2010 production of “True West,” which explores a sibling rivalry between two estranged brothers, presented the play he will direct as the second play of the season: “Eleemosynary.”

Written by Lee Blessing, the play focuses on the lives of three women: a grandmother, a mother and a young adult daughter, Dallas said.

The play is stylized to jump through time to different points of the plot, he said. Dallas said “Eleemosynary” has “wonderful language” and smart characters, who serve as an important staple in the play’s depth and entertainment.

The final play of the season is the Tony-award winner, “Urinetown.” The production will be directed by Gina Kleesattel, director of UD productions such as “Bat Boy: The Musical” in 2009 and “Smoke on the Mountain” in 2010.

Anderson said the play’s plot takes place in a society where private toilets are banned, and people must pay to use the restroom. Anderson said “Urinetown” includes a “brilliant use of comedic devices” and range of characters.

In addition to the theater schedule, Richard Mosley, the choreographer of UD’s Dance Ensemble, said ensemble auditions will be held Sept. 11, at the Music/Theatre Building. He said all interested students are welcome to audition, no matter their skill level.

Students interested in participating or watching 2011-2012 theater season events can visit the Black Box or the theater office at the Music/Theatre Building for more information.

Top: Students browse the scripts of “Slasher,” “Eleemosynary,” and “Urinetown,” the three plays to be performed during the 2011-2012 UD theater season. Bottom: Students watch as the theatre program presents the schedule of plays at the general theater meeting Monday, Aug. 29, at Boll Theatre. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

A FAIR WEEKEND: The Montgomery County Fair is going on now through Monday, Sept. 5, at the Montgomery Country Fairgrounds at 1043 South Main St. Gates are open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, visit www.montcofair.com.

FRIDAY NIGHT FRIGHTS: ArtStreet Friday Film Series presents a free showing of Darren Aronofsky’s psychological thriller, “Black Swan,” at 9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 2, at ArtStreet Studio B. For the full Friday Night Film schedule, visit www.artsstreet.udayton.edu/ffm.

BIG WILEY STYLE: Comedians Tim Wilson and Chris Speyer take on Dayton at 10:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 3, at Wiley’s Comedy Club at 101 Pine St. The laughs continue Sunday with Wiley’s annual Labor Day’s Eve Comedy & Blues Party. For event and ticket information, visit www.wileyscomedyclub.com.

TUNE UP: Alternative rock bands Guster and Jack’s Mannequin perform at the Lifestyle Communities Pavilion in Columbus, Ohio, at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 4. For ticket information, visit www.promowestlive.com.
COMMUNICATION OF BEHAVIORAL POLICY CHANGES ESSENTIAL

The University of Dayton Office of Community Standards and Civility recently made revisions to the Code of Conduct, as featured in this issue’s front page story.

Highlighted in the news article is the updated drug policy, which now formally lists hookahs as paraphernalia. The change has caused a stir on campus thus far, as students seem unclear about the way in which the university will enforce this policy.

The specific inclusion of hookahs does not irritate Flyer News, as FN is more concerned about the overall lack of communication regarding these changing standards. The Division of Student Development emailed the university Aug. 22, with a link to the new Code of Conduct, which also features a new complicit finding, an Opt-In Program and changes to the drug testing policy.

This email was the first time many FN staffers and UD students heard about these changes, and many individuals on campus continue to be confused about the revisions. It’s a problem when edits like these are not understood completely by the entire student body before going into effect.

While this issue of Flyer News thoroughly reported the changes made, we feel they were not communicated in an otherwise effective manner to students.

We believe it is Community Standards and Civility’s duty to make such important policy changes known to students. True, it is the duty of each student to know the Code of Conduct by which he or she is supposed to behave. However, when changes of this magnitude are made, it is the administration’s responsibility to spread the news before putting the ruling into effect.

Music industry, fans need festivals

This August, for the fourth consecutive summer in my life, I spent a weekend in the bass-pumping, sun-soaking, ear-pleasing heaven known as the Lollapalooza music festival. The three-day music event held its 20th anniversary in Chicago’s Grant Park from Aug. 5 to Aug. 7.

I walked among a crowd of over 90,000 daily attendants, ate traditional Italian beef sandwiches and lost my voice screaming in the presence of some of my favorite bands. And as in previous years, the entire weekend was an absolute blast.

Sure, it wasn’t entirely smooth sailing—I could come up with a healthy list of downsides to Lollapalooza, if I tried. The tickets, for example, cost close to $200 for three days, and that’s not including food or public transportation to the venue each day. The wait at the entrance gate was horrible, claiming close to 45 minutes each morning. The heat was unbearable, which meant full-body sweat stains for most people in the park. The concert schedules conflicted many times during the weekend, meaning I either had to choose between two of my favorite artists or see less than half of each show. The security staffers were annoying in more ways than one. And walking to or waiting for concerts had me on my feet for hours on end, leaving me exhausted at the end of each day.

But when I left at the end of the third day, all of these setbacks really meant nothing: I left feeling entirely satisfied. In fact, there’s even an unspoken tradition among Lollapalooza-goers leaving the park. Most people are so pleased with their festival experience that the crowded streets around Grant Park erupt in loud, slowly building cheers after each day.

That’s because Lollapalooza, and many large music festivals like it, aren’t just a bunch of bands thrown together in a park, as they sometimes appear to be. True, many concerts have impressive lineups of over 100 bands that ensure enjoyment by all, from the alternative rock Radiohead-obsessed college student, to the teenage Lady Gaga wannabe. But these events are much more than just alluring lineups and great music.

There are countless creative side activities and attractions. Many festivals have interactive workshops, theatrical performances, kids’ stage shows, sponsor tents, dance floors, vendor booths, farmers markets, circus events and more. The people attending are typically just as creative and interesting, and meeting new people is unavoidable when standing in large crowds all day or camping out all night.

But perhaps the most important part of music festivals is their effect on the music industry.

Never mind the publicity and attention gained by larger bands; the biggest benefactors are artists who are still in the process of developing their music careers. For these bands, appearances at music festivals mean being discovered by a broad audience and hopefully a large number of new fans. Plus, samples of their music are often given out for free, which furthers the chance of picking up new fans. Each year I have attended Lollapalooza has meant my personal discovery of at least five new artists, most of whom I now regard as favorites.

With all these festivals have to offer, it’s not surprising to see people attending their second, fourth or even 10th season in a row. The fact that we have such an enormous variety of opportunities to discover and lend to artists live just goes to show that this is a great era for music.

That’s why we need these festivals. They give music lovers of all ages something to look forward to each year, and more importantly, they’re helping keep today’s music scene alive.

Word on the street...

What do you want to be when you grow up?

BRIEN GEARIN JUNIOR ENGLISH

“I want to be dean of the UD Ghetto. Watch out for my double secret probation.”

ERIN SHELLEY SOPHOMORE UNDECLARED ARTS

“I want to be a marine biologist because I love the ocean.”

DANIEL FORERO JUNIOR MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

“I want to be the voice of a new character for Toy Story 4.”

“Law and order exist for the purpose of establishing justice and when they fail in this purpose they become the dangerously structured dams that block the flow of social progress.”

Martin Luther King, Jr., American civil rights activist, 1929-1968
OPINIONS
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RecPlex workout wear restrictions unfair for fitness floor

Everyone says that they love UD because of its sense of community. As students, we foster this sense of community by working hard together during the week, relaxing together on the weekends, and growing together throughout our four years here. Integral to this development is the idea that the community is open and welcoming to all students, and that a more diverse student community strengthens and unifies us.

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Is this a joke? Why are we being told what to do? I’m a 5-foot-2-inch, 110-lb. blonde female who – gasp – happens to be one of the villains frequently stocking these apparently prominent and non-Marianist cut-offs. Am I being perceived as intimidating to others because of this? And if so, is every male who is lifting weights and wearing these godforsaken un-hemmed tank tops now perceived as an arrogant meat-head? Cut-offs are what people wear to work out. They let our bodies breathe, they’re super comfy and they’re easy to move around in. Besides that, the guys probably want to show off their muscles. And why shouldn’t they? They’re obviously there working to get ripped, and now they have to hide their progress? It’s probably hurting their poor egos.

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letters to the editor

Club organizers looking for recognition

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Freshmen taunts not cruel

In Issue 2, a letter to the editor titled, “Accepting new members of community,” stated an opinion that freshmen were heckled, scorned and treated like the bottom of the barrel. Personally, I think freshmen benefit from predential treatment. My desire to call out the first-years in jest, yes, to let them know how obvious they are to spot. That doesn’t mean we won’t immediately offer them some tasty knowledge. Some might call it a light case of hazing, but I’d prefer to think of it as making them aware of what they might want to change. My desire to call random people up to my porch greatly decreases if I find out they’re sophomores or older – those students should know the ropes by now.

My roommates and I lived on Lowes Street last year, and little has changed at our current residence on Stonemill Road. We still love sharing our UD sense of community with the newcomers. At every opportunity this year, we’ve shouted with glee at a group of freshmen. They’re so awkward, longing to be guided into the next stage of their lives. And on our part, we have accepted and shown the ropes to many different demographics of students. Yes, they do look longingly at every porch, but I argue that many porchies oblige their desire.

I often think back to my first few weeks as a freshman at UD, knowing I couldn’t be too loud in the dorms, and that the real party was out in the beloved and famed Ghetto. One of my favorite memories is from opening weekend that year. My first venture to the Ghetto resulted in being invited to literally the first porch I passed, 3 Evaxton Ave. The residents were outside playing a game that was then foreign to me, involving a triangle rack of cups and an unconventional use for ping pong balls. It really wasn’t much, just a couple games and guidance to help my random roommate and I learn the rules and technique before sending us on our way. But it meant a lot, and I believe seniors today exhibit the same ushering tendencies.

Sure, we might not call out to a group of six dudes with collars popped and lanyards donned, but overall I think the combination of playful taunts and knowledge sharing is a net gain. So freshmen, I hope you feel welcome at your new home. If someone’s giving you a hard time, know there are plenty of others there who welcome your presence. We recognize the way we treat you these first few weeks will determine the campus’ spirit for years to come, and I don’t ever want it to change.

LUKE JESPERSEN
SENIOR
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Men’s Basketball

Flyers gaining transfers from power conferences

CHRIS MOORMAN
Sports Editor

A new trend for the University of Dayton men’s basketball program is emerging under the four-month tenure of new head coach Archie Miller.

Guard Vee Sanford and guard/forward Matt Derenbecker joined the Flyers this summer as transfers following the departures of former head coach Brian Gregory and freshmen guards Juvan Staten and Brandon Spearman.

Sanford, who will have two years of eligibility remaining, transferred to UD in mid-May from Georgetown University, a member of the Big East Conference, according to the athletics website. Matt Derenbecker decided to attend Dayton after leaving Louisiana State University, a member of the Southeastern Conference, prior to his sophomore season, the website said.

He will have three years of eligibility left after sitting out this year.

Traditionally, any transfers arriving at Dayton did so through the junior college route. These junior college players start at a small, two-year community college out of high school and look to advance through the college basketball ranks.

Under the control of head coach Oliver Purnell from 2004 to 2003 and Gregory from 2003 to March, Dayton gave 12 roster spots to transfers, according to Flyer News research. Of those 12 transfers in 17 years, seven came to UD from a junior or community college. Former guard Rob Lowery in 2006 was the last Flyer to do so, transferring from Cecil Community College.

“A player transferring from a junior college to a four-year Division I institution is known as a “3-4” transfer, according to the NCAA transfer guide. A player can then practice and play immediately at their new school as long as he or she satisfies NCAA requirements such as earning a grade-point average above 2.0 and finishing at least one semester at the two-year college. Gregory said a coach’s most important task in dealing with transfers is recruiting them the same way as a high school recruit.

“When it comes to transfers, it’s important to know why the kid is transferring,” he said. “Character issues and academic issues are high priorities for a staff. At UD we used the same criteria to judge a high school kid as a transfer. We had some transfers who wanted to come to UD but had problems, so we didn’t take them.”

Other transfers change from one Division I school to another, such as Sanford and Matt Derenbecker.

According to the NCAA, this move is a “4-4” transfer. There are some exceptions in these rules allowing an athlete to play right away, but in most cases, the transferring player must sit out a year as an “academic in residence.” During the year, transfers can practice and participate in team events, just not actual games.

The Division I transfer route is unusual throughout UD’s program history. Darnell Hoskins and Jeff Penno left the University of Wisconsin and the University of Akron, respectively, to join the Flyers during Purnell’s coaching tenure. Both players, though, grew up in the Dayton, Ohio, area.

Gregory recruited three “4-4” transfers in guards Mickey Perry, Josh Parker, and Kevin Dillard, none of whom had any ties to the region. Perry transferred from the University of Wisconsin and was the only one to transfer from a Bowl Championship Series conference as Parker and Dillard came from the Missouri Valley Conference, a mid-major conference.

The BCS is a notation of the NCAA Division I athletics hierarchy, particularly in football and basketball. There are six BCS conferences at the top of the pecking order – the Atlantic Coast Conference, the Big Ten Conference, the Big East, the Big 12 Conference, the Pac-12 Conference, and the Southeastern Conference. Mid-major conferences then include the remaining Division I athletic conferences.

Miller’s two Division I transfers are a sign, according to John Derenbecker, Matt Derenbecker’s father. He said athletes are now looking for playing opportunities outside of the traditional basketball power conferences.

“When he [Matt Derenbecker] came out of high school the only thing he was looking at was major conferences,” John Derenbecker said. “And I think a lot of kids who are able to perform at that level do the exact same thing. … Looking back on it now, after a year’s experience at one of the so-called major conferences, he saw that there were other things like relationships that were more important than the name of the conference you played in.”

Gregory also said the idea of BCS conferences establishing a recruit’s true rank in the college basketball world is no longer the absolute truth. As for Miller, he said it could be a sign of the future since Dayton has a multitude of scholarships remaining for the next couple seasons.

“We’re always on the hunt,” he said. “We’ll never take anybody who doesn’t fit what we do or who can’t make it work at our place, but at the same time, any time we feel we can make an impact, send a shockwave and get a guy who in my opinion will fit well with what we do, that’s what we are going to try to do. Matt won’t be the last transfer, I can promise you that.”

Division I Transfers

OLIVER PURNELL 1994-2003
Darnell Hoskins 1996-1997
University of Wisconsin
Jeff Penno 2004-2006
University of Akron

BRIAN GREGORY 2003-2011
Mickey Perry 2007-2010
University of Wisconsin
Josh Parker 2009-PRESENT
Drake University
Kevin Dillard 2010-PRESENT
Southern Illinois University

ARCHIE MILLER 2011
Vee Sanford 2011
Georgetown University
Matt Derenbecker 2011
Louisiana State University

Women’s Soccer

UD returns to Baujan, hopeful to beat Badgers

STEVEN WRIGHT
Asst. Sports Editor

The University of Dayton women’s soccer team will put an early undefeated record on the line at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, when the Flyers host the University of Wisconsin at Baujan Field.

The team is coming off a tournament victory in the Lakeside Women’s Soccer Classic this past weekend in Evanston, Ill. The team defeated Loyola University Chicago 3-0, Friday Aug. 26, and then tournament host Northwestern University 2-1 in overtime, Sunday, Aug. 28, for the title.

The Flyers have a 4-0 record on the season, and moved into the top 25 this week in the Soccer America Top 25, placing No. 23. In the latest National Soccer Coaches Association of America poll, the team placed 31st overall.

Dating back to last season, the Flyers have a six-game winning streak at Baujan Field, outscoring the competition 21-2 during that span. The team is 50-12-7 since 2004 at home.

The Badgers have a 2-1 record and have won back-to-back games heading into the contest, including a victory over No. 25 University of Washington. The preseason Big Ten Conference coaches’ poll picked the Badgers to finish third, matching its 2010 regular season finish.

“I expect them to be a top 20 team for sure,” UD head coach Mike Tucker said. “They’re loaded with talent, they’re physical. They will be a very good opponent. They fit right in with our next four or five games really.”

This will be the second of three Big Ten teams the Flyers face this season. The team will travel to Columbus, Ohio, for a rematch of last year’s second round NCAA Tournament game with Ohio State University Sept. 14.

Sophomore midfielder Juliana Libertin said it is unique and difficult playing the so-called big teams.

“Any Big Ten team will be very physical and competitive,” Libertin said. “They will use their bodies against us. We’re coming in preparing that this will be a physical game, and we have to come out 110 percent ready to go.”

Tucker said this season’s offense has been “way above typical average,” as the team has scored 15 goals in four contests. Libertin said it has been exciting start to the year.

“It’s been awesome,” Libertin said. “Everyone came in ready to play. Willy [junior forward Coleen Williams] has been doing her normal thing scoring goals. We have a lot of goals coming from different people and different parts of the field, so it’s great.”

Among the goal scorers this season have been two freshmen, forward Kelsey Smigel and midfielder Haley Keller. Tucker said it’s a nice addition getting production from the younger players.

“Particularly considering the amount of injuries we’ve had, they’ve stepped in and done a fantastic job early on,” Tucker said. “There are four or five we feel really comfortable throwing into a match right now and there’s a couple more getting close to that. Athletically they can compete; they’re just still learning the game.”

Tucker said consistency and staying with what the team does well is what he wants to see this season. He said sticking to the game plan is his goal for Friday.

“Keep the ball, keep a lot of good movement, build numbers into the attack, and defend with pride and passion like UD Flyers do,” Tucker said. “Hopefully we’ll have a couple thousand rowdy UD fans at Baujan supporting us. We get all that, and I like our chances.”

After Friday’s match, the Flyers next home game will be at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 17, against the University of Kentucky.
Cross Country

Running programs replace departed stars with young talent

BRADY ASHE
Chief Sports Writer

Teamwork and unity will be the keys to success for the University of Dayton men’s cross country team this season after graduating several successful runners, head coach Rich Davis said.

The team was ranked fourth in the preseason Atlantic 10 Conference cross country coaches poll and is without a single senior on the roster after graduating twin brothers Chris Lemon and Matt Lemon. Davis said he’s looking for a total team effort to win as many meets as possible in the twins’ absence.

“Cross country is a true team sport,” he said. “We’re a young team and these guys are going to be running with each other for at least two years. We want to be the best pack-running team in the region.”

Team cross country scores are determined by adding the top five individual finishing places on each team, Davis said. The lower the sum of the top five finishers, the higher the team places, he said.

Davis, who’s coached the team for 15 years, said he’s confident the Flyers’ top five runners in each meet can lead to several first-place finishes because the team runs well together and can successfully establish pack running when needed.

“These guys are more of a family than a team,” he said. “They run together and know how to race together when it counts. They’re one of the best teams I’ve ever coached in terms of pack running.”

In UD cross country’s 30-plus year history, the shortest time span between the first and fifth place finishers in a race is 43 seconds, according to Davis. The coach said he’s confident this team will break that record and is capable of finishing together in less than 30 seconds.

“You could probably cover the top five runners with a single blanket when they’re going,” he said.

While team running is the focus for the 2011 Flyers, Davis said he expects redshirt junior Greg Roeth to lead the pack. In 2009, Roeth was named A-10 Rookie of the Year and then earned All-Conference honors last season, finishing eighth in the A-10 Championship 8K behind seven seniors.

Roeth said he’s prepared to assume a leadership role in the 2011 season after learning from the Lemon brothers in previous years. “Being the oldest kind of forces you into that leadership position, but it’s a position I’m happy to be in,” he said. “The Lemons didn’t really leave a void but a legacy of excellence. I’m not trying to fill their shoes, I’m just trying to carry on what they started in making Dayton national contenders.”

The Flyer 5K Challenge is UD’s season opening race and the only home meet for the Flyers this season. The race begins at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, at Indian Riffle Park in Kettering, Ohio. Twelve men’s and women’s cross country teams from schools throughout the region are expected to compete at the event, Davis said.

Davis said runners will navigate five kilometers, less than the standard eight for collegiate cross country races, through the park. He said the Flyer 5K Challenge is an appropriate season opener because it allows the runners to ease into the season with a shorter race in a spectator-friendly venue.

“You can stand in one spot and see the runners do their thing for the entire race,” he said. “It’s really close for friends and families to come by and see the hard work these kids put in all offseason.”

Cross Country Schedule

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Michael Roche
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton women’s cross country team is looking to reload after an historic 2010 season, according to head coach Sarah Hinkley.

Last year, the Flyers finished ninth in the NCAA Division I Great Lakes Region, the highest finish in program history. This season, Hinkley said the Flyers are hoping to build on that success, despite the graduation of star runner Maura Bulgrin.

“Bulgrin obviously was a huge impact on the team,” Hinkley said. “She was our No. 1 runner all season. She really set the standard and morale of the team.”

Senior runner Emily Zimmerman said she agreed with her coach’s take on Bulgrin’s impact.

“Maura was a prominent leader both running wise and as a captain,” she said.

Dayton graduated five runners total last season, including Bulgrin. She placed third in the Atlantic 10 Conference Championships in 2010, and led the Flyers in every single outdoor race.

Bulgrin’s departure does not worry Hinkley too much though, as she said she hopes the addition of seven incoming freshmen will motivate the entire team.

“I have no problem with healthy competition,” Hinkley said. “I think when a senior sees she needs to stay on top of things and be doing things the right way or this freshman will pass [her]. I don’t think that’s a bad thing. Last year’s recruiting year was really important to bring in some solid freshmen that are going to contribute right away, and we did that.”

Guiding the team this year will be returning seniors Elissa Mason, Lindsey Cummings and Zimmerman, Hinkley said.

The three seniors posted personal best times in the final 6K meet last season with Mason finishing with a time of 21:43.17, followed by Zimmerman at 22:15.73 and Cummings at 22:55.44. Zimmerman also was named an Academic All-American in June.

Hinkley said she believes the veteran runners will be more comfortable with her as a coach in her second year and that comfort will translate into success during the season.

The Flyers were selected to finish third in the A-10 coaches’ poll this season, behind the University of Richmond and La Salle University. The players said they are hopeful for steady progress throughout the year and a repeat of last year’s conference title.

“If we could prove the rankings wrong that would be awesome, and I think we can,” Zimmerman said. “We’re not letting the third-place ranking stop us at all.”

Hinkley said she is optimistic about this year’s team because of their early excitement and motivation.

“We could win the A-10,” she said.

The women’s cross country team will compete in preseason Saturday, Sept. 3, with the Flyer 5K Challenge at Indian Riffle Park in Kettering, Ohio.

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Football

**Flyers begin quest to claim 12th PFL championship**

**BRADY ASHE**
Chief Sports Writer

The University of Dayton football team is looking to compete for the Pioneer Football League title this year and claim its 35th winning season in 36 years.

The team has adopted the slogan, “Whatever it Takes,” for the 2011 season and the Flyers will need to heed their own words to be successful after graduating several starters in key positions, according to head coach Rick Chamberlin.

The Flyers graduated seven starters on offense last year including most of the wide receivers, and two-time PFL Offensive Player of the Year Steve Valentino at quarterback. Redshirt freshman Will Bardo will replace Valentino under center after winning an offseason position battle between three young quarterbacks, Chamberlin said.

“We have a brand new quarterback and a brand new batch of receivers in place,” Chamberlin said. “As a coach you want to see improvement from day one to opening day in the summer and we have with the young guys on offense. These guys have been developing a lot, making plays and growing more consistent each day.”

Bardo said in an email to Flyer News that he’s ready to accept the challenge of leading the Flyers offense.

“I know being the starting quarterback for any team is a big responsibility,” he said in the email. “I have some big shoes to fill being next in line after Steve [Valentino]. The team is really going to miss him but he left [the quarterbacks] with a lot of knowledge and experience to feed off of. I’m just ready to win some games and become more comfortable with the offense every week.”

Chamberlin said Bardo may find comfort in the Flyers’ potent rushing attack. The team is returning three senior running backs in Taylor Harris, Dan Jacob and Brian Mack. All three backs are capable of starting with similar running styles and are rotated in regularly to wear down defenses, Chamberlin said.

UD offensive coordinator Dave Whilding said he plans on implementing more sets with two running backs in the playbook this year to utilize the three senior running backs. The three combined to rush for a total of 946 yards and 22 touchdowns last season.

“There’s more experience in the backfield than the rest of the entire offense,” Whilding said. “They’re all friends, they’re all fast and they’re all powerful. They’re definitely the strength of this offense.”

Mack said the backs are ready to shoulder the offense this year.

“It’s been a goal of ours since we got here as freshman to be the focal point of the offense,” he said. “It’s been tough in the past with playmakers like Steve Valentino and Justin Watkins [former wide receiver and program career leader in receptions and receiving yards], but with a young quarterback this year, it’s finally our time to take control of the offense. We know the passing game won’t miss a beat this year but having a strong running game only makes the passing game better.”

Coach Chamberlin said there are six starters returning to the defense this year. He said the defense has performed well in camp and he is expecting the experienced defenders to step up and be accountable for the young offense early in the schedule.

Redshirt sophomore Kyle Sibetic, a returning starter at cornerback, said the older defense is prepared to lead the team to a winning season.

“We have a lot of experience and returning starters on defense so we really have a chance to be the strength of the team this year,” he said. “We’re taking pride in playing hard and giving our offense a lot of opportunities.”

Chamberlin said he’s also hoping for a large turnout of UD fans across the river every Saturday.

“We want to make Welcome Stadium feel like a very, very un-welcome place for visiting teams,” he said.

The Flyers’ season kicks off at noon Saturday, Sept. 3, against Robert Morris University in Corapolis, Penn. Dayton will open at home Sept. 10, against Duquesne University at Welcome Stadium.

**FOOTBALL Schedule**

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