Students protest exhibit photo

A photo at the Citizens of the World Photography Exhibit of a Spanish Holy Week ceremony sparked a silent protest of black students Wednesday, Nov. 2, near the ArtStreet Amphitheatre.

The exhibit is an annual event organized by ArtStreet and the Center for International Programs. The photo, titled “Semana Santa,” meaning “Holy Week,” depicts Spanish Catholics in white and red robes with coned hoods, according to an email from senior sociology major Fred Cox.

Cox, a black student, said the photo in an American context evokes an image of the Ku Klux Klan. According to a three-page document provided to Flyer News by Tricia Barger, associate director for the Center for International Programs, ArtStreet and the Center for International Programs said these garbs have been worn by Spanish Catholics centuries before the start of the Ku Klux Klan.

In an interview with Flyer News, Cox said he met with the Center for International Programs and ArtStreet on Monday, Oct. 31, as a student representative to voice concerns about the use of the photo in the exhibit.

Event organizers said in their document that the photo met all criteria for inclusion in the exhibit, which showcases important aspects of a culture that photographers experience while abroad. Cox said the event organizers decided to present the photo at the exhibit’s reception Wednesday. He said the event organizers attempted to compromise with the protesters by placing the photo in a binder for the remainder of the exhibit.

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Stuart Field open for students, intramural sports

The newly renovated Stuart Field opened for student recreational use at 9 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, after an inaugural weekend featuring a regional women’s club soccer tournament.

Students, including those involved in club sports, have said the new field is a clear improvement for campus.

“It’s great to be able to have fields to practice on, that are, you know, level and not dirt,” said Phil Brodrick, a renewable and clean energy systems master’s student, and captain and co-president of the ultimate Frisbee club.

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Campus members offer views on Iraq withdrawal

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President Barack Obama announced Oct. 21 that all American troops will return from Iraq by the end of the year, ending a war that’s cost 4,400 American lives and nearly $1 trillion, according to The New York Times.

Iraq’s leaders announced in October that they would allow 3,000 to 5,000 troops to remain in the country past 2012, but refused to grant them legal immunity. Obama said this was the main reason for the withdrawal in a White House press conference on Oct. 21.

Legal immunity is an agreement made between two countries when one is occupying the other, which would make soldiers free from any legal jurisdiction from crimes committed during the military occupation.

The decision also fulfills one of Obama’s 2008 campaign promises as he prepares for the 2012 elections.

“Another season of homecomings,” he called the troops’ coming returns during the press conference.

There are 39,000 American soldiers still in Iraq, according to the Los Angeles Times.

Ellen Fleischmann, who teaches the University of Dayton’s Middle Eastern history courses, said the war in Iraq was a bad move for America.

“This war was disastrous,” Fleischmann said. “It was an ill-conceived venture. … I think it’s weakened our moral authority in the Middle East.”

President George W. Bush sent American troops to occupy Iraq on March 19, 2003, because he said the country posed a terrorist threat. The U.S. occupation of Iraq included a manhunt for Saddam Hussein, the dictator who ruled Iraq for almost 30 years and was captured and executed in 2006.

On Oct. 26, Obama appeared on the “Tonight Show,” and host Jay Leno asked him what was accomplished in Iraq.

“Look, Saddam Hussein is gone, and that’s a good thing,” Obama said on the show.

In addition to hunting Hussein, American forces attempted to help Iraq rebuild after years of oppression, according to Lt. Col. Dan Redden, a UD military science professor and three-time Iraq war veteran.

Redden was a military transition team commander in the Diyala Province in eastern Iraq from January 2009 to January 2010. His Army brigade was paired with an Iraqi brigade to train and help the native soldiers with overall organization.

“The biggest problem was pay,” he said. “One Iraqi guy in the unit hadn’t been paid for two years.”

Obama said the overall mission was a success.

Obama said on Leno’s show that the U.S. efforts have prepared Iraqis to set up their own democratic government, and taught the country that “dialogue, discussion and debate” are effective means to solve issues than violence.

Based on recent attacks, Fleischmann said she doesn’t agree.

“There’s not going to be a happy ending,” she said. “There were bombings there [recently].”

... The Iraqi people would’ve done what people did in Libya and rise against Saddam Hussein.”

Two bombs at a music store in a Shiite neighborhood in Baghdad killed 18 people on Oct. 27.

Shiites are one of two major branches of Islam split by fundamental differences, according to Fleischmann. They disagree with Sunnis, the other major branch, about who was supposed to succeed the prophet Muhammad to lead the early Islamic community.

Major battles have arisen between Sunnis and Shiites in Iraq since American troops have been there, The New York Times reported. Many Iraqi political leaders blame the conflict on American pressure to agree on a new national unity.

“Fleischmann, too, said she holds the U.S. accountable for the violent sectarianism and many other negative situations in Iraq.”

John McGinnis, a senior international studies major who studied abroad in the Middle East from the beginning of last school year through the summer, said the withdrawal could have mixed results.

McGinnis said the U.S. efforts in Iraq have strengthened its security forces, but the absence of U.S. troops could pose a challenge for the country, which currently does not have an air force. He said the U.S. can help compensate for this by selling security forces supplies such as airplanes.

He also said the U.S. withdrawal may change Iraq’s political stability.

Violent attacks in Iraq may decrease because of the absence of American troops because the country is a terrorist target, he said. But this may also lead to an increase in terrorist attacks to reverse America’s efforts of the past eight years.

Overall, McGinnis said he thinks the U.S. troop withdrawal is a positive thing because it fulfilled one of Obama’s 2008 campaign promises.

“In the grand scheme of things, it’s a good thing that we’re out of there because the war is over pretty much, they’re just rebuilding the Iraqi security forces at this point,” he said.

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was hung for the majority population to begin having a dialogue about something black students experience daily.

When the reception began at 4:30 p.m., black students from a variety of diverse groups on campus gathered to protest the image by placing large pieces of black tape across their mouths and silently holding signs.

“Our silent protest was not in silence because we did not want to talk,” Cox said. “But it was in silence because students of color talk about race relations on a daily basis, and this dialogue is nothing new for us.”

The document from event organizers said, “We are aware of the possibility of the image being seen out of context, therefore we agreed that under no circumstances would the image be shown independent of its caption.”

Cox said he still felt that the image’s inclusion was a reason for the protest.

“We are a very visual people,” Cox said. “I think that it is a little bit ambitious to think that every student who sees this photo is going to go read two to three pages on what the ‘Semana Santa’ really is.”

Event organizers said they felt the photo was presented in a fair way.

“I am comfortable with the way it was presented because I feel like it was done in a way that was thoughtful, and it was done in a way that gave serious consideration to how this image would affect different members of our community,” Barger said.

Lisa Peskar, a senior foreign language education major, who studied abroad in Spain last semester, was the photographer of the controversial image.

“I sincerely apologize if I have offended anyone due to this photo,” she said in an emailed statement to Flyer News. “I understand that this picture, being out of context, can be interpreted as offensive, although it is depicting a sacred Catholic holiday in Spain. The intention was not to offend or harm anyone, but to inform students and staff of cultural differences between symbols in the United States and Spain where I studied for the past semester.”

Cox said the protest was not about the photographer.

“It is not in any way about censorship,” he said. “It is really about the individuals who made the decision after knowing how much it would impact the students.”

The Citizens of the World Photography Exhibit will run until Nov. 22 in ArtStreet Studio D Gallery.

For more information about the Citizens of the World exhibit, check out p. 6
While many University of Dayton students are still fast asleep on Saturday mornings, some students are waking up early to help the city of Dayton.

The SERVICE Saturday program has worked to meet the needs of the Dayton community for three years, said Kelly Bohrer, coordinator for community outreach at the Center for Social Concern.

"SERVICE Saturdays provide students with good opportunities to dip their toes into community service in Dayton," said Nick Cardilino, director for the Center for Social Concern, in an email to Flyer News.

Students volunteer for one Saturday at a time and perform a variety of volunteer activities with different companies in the Dayton area, Bohrer said.

"This program is especially good for those students who don’t have a whole lot of experience doing service," Cardilino said in his email. "It gives them a sense of how much fun it can be and how just a few hours a week can make a difference in people’s lives."

There is not a typical type of volunteering that SERVICE Saturday students do, Bohrer said. In the past, students have landscaped and gardened, worked at fundraising events and volunteered at local homeless shelters, she said.

The program is open to anyone, individuals or groups, who wish to try out different ways of volunteering, Bohrer said.

She also said it is a great way for students to connect with other peers and to create connections within the Dayton community.

"Because we are focusing on community needs, we are offering volunteers where volunteers are needed," Bohrer said. "The community has been very happy about it."

Each Saturday event provides a trained leader for the project who notifies students of what to expect a week in advance, Bohrer said.

Bohrer also said the organization keeps waiting lists in case students cancel.

The acronym in SERVICE Saturday stands for social, enriching, rewarding, valuable, inspiring, community-oriented and effective, according to its website. Bohrer said the organization started three years ago after a previous service group, Into the Streets.

The Center for Social Concern developed SERVICE Saturdays and REAL Dayton in fall 2009 because Into the Streets program was not effective.

REAL Dayton stands for "Reach out, Enriching yourself, Active for others and Learning about Dayton," according to its website. It is a program connecting UD students with the Dayton community during fall break through activities such as community service and retreats.

There will be three more SERVICE Saturday opportunities this semester, and the spring semester schedule will be posted in early December, Bohrer said.

Fox said the program works to bridge the gap between UD and the city of Dayton.

“A huge goal of the Center for Social Concern is to help UD students become better neighbors to Daytonians,” Fox said. “SERVICE Saturdays are a part of this.”

If interested, students must sign up for SERVICE Saturdays in person at Liberty Hall room 107.


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Greek office names first director

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The University of Dayton has named a new director of Greek Life and Leadership Programs after renaming the office in September.

Kevin Cane, former assistant director of Greek Life and Leadership Programs, was appointed to the director position on Oct. 24.

“I am tremendously excited to continue guiding the advancement of the values-based Greek community through targeted and intentional educational programming, community engagement, and meaningful reflection,” Cane said in an email to Flyer News.

Cane will serve as an adviser for UD’s Greek community while managing its future plans, according to an Oct. 21 email to Greek students from Bill Fischer, vice president of Student Development.

Cane began his time at UD as assistant director of the Office of Leadership Development in July 2010, according to the email. Over this time, Cane also has assisted graduate assistant programs, special interest housing, the Standor Symposium, a hazen prevention committee and a pair of diversity action teams.

The Office of Leadership Development was renamed recently to Greek Life and Leadership Programs, although it has a similar purpose, according to a Flyer News article published Sept. 13. Sarah Schoper was the most recent director of the office before leaving the university in February.

Before coming to UD, Cane was an instructor of participant leadership courses at Indiana University and a traveling chapter leadership consultant to the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, according to Fischer’s email.

Cane said he looks to bring new and positive ideas to UD’s Greek Life and Leadership Programs.

“With a focus on values-based leadership, we will grow the Greek community in its membership and its reputation on campus,” Cane said in his email. “We will also collectively identify areas for improvement in communicating our successes to others, openly welcoming in those who are not as familiar with Greek life.”

Cari Sue Wallace, director of new student programs for Student Development, served as the interim director of Greek Life, until Cane filled the position.

“The transitional period went very well and UD hopes to continue showing improvement developing a full-time Greek Life program,” Wallace said.

Kim Merrill, senior administrative secretary for the office of Greek Life and Leadership Programs, said she is pleased Cane was chosen for the position.

“He has been a pleasure to work with both as an assistant director and as the director, and I couldn’t have wished for a better supervisor,” Merrill said.

Christine Schramm, who was recently promoted to dean of students auxiliary, agreed.

“We are not as familiar with Greek life.”

Wallace said.

“Kevin has demonstrated his commitment to the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and his ability to do the job.”

Christy said. “I think Kevin brings a great understanding of Greek life to the table.”

Megan Christy, a senior marketing major and president of Panhellenic Council, also said she has enjoyed working with Cane during his time at UD.

Panhellenic Council is the overseer of UD’s sororities, according to its website.

“Kevin has a real positive attitude and outlook,” Christy said. “I think that will be an asset for our group. I think he will bring our great community together more so than it already is.”

Cain said he is excited to take on his new position and motivated to improve it.

“With so many blessings from the entire Dayton community, I am charged to provide long-term strategic visioning and direct advising for the entire values-based Greek community including all three governing councils and chapters,” he said in the email. “I look forward to interacting with all of our men and women in Greek life at UD and all those who support our unified values.”
**STUART FIELD**

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a nice change,” Hanna said. “When it gets cold outside, people don’t really want to come out that much, but they’re definitely coming out more for the turf I think.”

Hoying agreed, citing only four forfeits on Halloween night – something he called an outstanding ratio for Campus Recreation.

Hanna said there have been difficulties with people using the emergency exits on the field, as opposed to the main entrance and exit turnstile on the west side of the field. Hoying said Campus Recreation needs to educate students on using the main gate. He said an advantage of the main gate is being able to check in students in a central location.

Hoying said the only real issue is when a ball is sent over the fence. He said he thinks Campus Recreation will reevaluate how students can retrieve balls without walking around the outside of the field.

In an Aug. 25 Flyer News article, Hoying said UD acquired sufficient funds to proceed with the project last year and planned to start building in April. But then excessive rain delayed the beginning of construction until May, and subsequently delayed the original September opening of the field.

The field was built using Twenty-Four/Seven infill synthetic turf, and was installed by The Motz Group, a Cincinnati-based company, according to a March 30 Flyer News article. The field was largely finished by the afternoon of Oct. 26, Hoying said.

Although the field hosted the 2011 Women’s Midwest Alliance Soccer Conference Tournament the weekend of its opening, Hoying said the first month of use will be worst month of the field’s life in terms of how true the field will play to grass. He said the patches of black rubber currently visible will settle and disappear over time.

Stuart Field will be available for recreational activities from 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. every day through Nov. 21, when not in use for Campus Recreation scheduled programs. After Nov. 21, the field will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day and will closed on all university holidays. Patrons must have a valid UD undergraduate ID or Campus Recreation membership to gain access to the field.
International study experiences shared in ArtStreet exhibition

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ArtStreet and the Center for International Programs present the Citizens of the World Photography Exhibit on display now through Nov. 22, in ArtStreet Studio D Gallery.

An opening reception was held Wednesday, Nov. 2. Guests sampled handmade crepes, sushi and other international foods, and also had the opportunity to make Guatemalan worry dolls with artist Leese Haapapuro, according to the ArtStreet website.

According to Tricia Barger, associate director of the Center for International Programs, this month-long exhibit provides an opportunity for University of Dayton students, faculty and alumni who have studied abroad to share and celebrate their international experiences with campus through photographs.

This is the seventh consecutive year that the exhibition has been presented, Barger said. It began when two students wanted to share their photographs from their study abroad experience with the campus and found other students interested in doing the same, she said.

Adrienne Niess, associate director of arts initiatives at ArtStreet, said photography is a powerful way to share these experiences. “This exhibit allows students and faculty to share something more … [to] offer a unique perspective into the culture, traditions, and features of that country,” Niess said in an email to Flyer News.

This event allows individuals to not only learn from the images and descriptions, but also to gain a unique perspective based on the experiences of the artist, Niess said.

One of the photos in the exhibit, taken by senior Ryan Arling, a mechanical engineering major, shows children playing on the beaches in Malawi, Africa. “Mirrors are rare in Malawi, so showing the children their picture on the back of the camera after it was taken was most likely the first time that they had ever seen themselves,” Arling wrote in his artist statement. “The response to seeing themselves for the first time was an outburst of uncontrolled laughter.”

Numerous European countries are represented in the exhibit, as well as countries such as Singapore, Ethiopia, Morocco and Egypt, Niess said.

This event allows students to be recognized for their experiences abroad and to spread the word of international education, Barger said. “Participating in an education abroad experience allows students to expand their education through exposure to new cultures and new perspectives,” Barger said.

She said through study abroad, students can apply knowledge of how other cultures work to their experiences in the classroom, as well as in future careers. These experiences enhance their problem solving and decision-making skills, Barger said.

The exhibit is held in conjunction with International Education Week, which is celebrated on college campuses across the U.S. every November, Barger said. Throughout the month, there are events that combine international education with music, dance, food, speakers, exhibitions and more, according to Barger.

Niess said she also emphasizes how fortunate UD is to have so many international experiences available for students and faculty. Barger said she encourages families to visit the exhibit during Family Weekend to explore the opportunities for international education at UD. In addition, an education abroad info session will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 5, in Sears Recital Hall, Barger said.

For more information, visit ArtStreet’s website at http://artstreet.udayton.edu.

Star Like Me: ‘Hildy’

“Star Like Me” is a series of journals written by University of Dayton actors. To see previous entries, go to www.flyernews.com.

This issue’s writer is freshman Jenna Gomes, a theater major, who performed in the UD theater show “Slasher,” which was performed from Oct. 21 through Saturday, Oct. 29.

Being a freshman in college is intimidating. Being a freshman in college auditioning for the fall play a week after moving in is even more intimidating. But just like some people need tubes through their throats to breathe, or prosthetic legs to walk, I need to be on stage.

There was no doubt in my mind when I first heard of “Slasher” that I would audition. That being said, I didn’t expect much. There were four female roles, and I was a freshman new to the University of Dayton where my talent and potential were completely unknown. My high school director had watched me grow and learn. She knew what I was capable of, but no one here did.

On the night of auditions, as I scanned the seats of the auditorium, the 30-plus faces of all the girls in the room blurred together. In high school, our theater department was a small family. The only thing we worried about when auditioning was if we would get the parts we wanted.

And here I was, not a mathematician, trying to figure out my chances of beating out all of these extremely talented girls for a role. But confidence is key, and I stopped worrying about how well everyone else did and focused on my audition instead.

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D2D committee to present new trip features at Halfway event

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The annual Halfway to Daytona kickoff event will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, at the Central Mall.

According to junior Megan O’Mera, a public relations major and Dayton to Daytona trip coordinator, the goals for this year’s Halfway event are to get students pumped up for the trip, to include as many student organizations as possible, and to increase awareness about service and safety.

The safety aspect of the trip often gets overlooked, O’Mera said, and the committee wants to affirm its importance.

“We’re going to be incorporating beer goggles into a game this year at Halfway,” O’Mera said.

When worn, beer goggles distort vision to show the effects of intoxication, she said.

Senior Kristen Rosemeyer, a psychology major and trip coordinator, said the event will feature a disc jockey playing music between classes and a dance-off.

Students grow mustaches to support community fundraising

From left, fifth-year student Andrew Bosway, Katherine Cashio, Patrick Cashio’s wife, graduate student Wyatt Eldin and senior Paul Azzi tabulated final funds in UD’s mustache-growing fundraiser in this Nov. 19, 2010, file photo, at Kennedy Union. MIKE MALLOWYE PHOTO

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Fans of facial hair have an excuse to skip shaving, and support a charitable cause in the process, by participating in the second year of Movember fundraising at the University of Dayton.

Held in conjunction with the university’s annual Thanksgiving basket drive, MoFud is a unique fundraiser aimed at collecting “mo” food for families in the Dayton area for Thanksgiving, according to Patrick Cashio, creator of the event and former graduate assistant in the Center for Social Concern.

“At first I thought it was ridiculous,” said Nick Cardillino, director of the Center for Social Concern, in an email to Flyer News. “But it was incredibly successful ... well over 6,000 dollars were raised [last year].”

Cardillino said there is a huge need for fundraising in the Dayton area, with aid agencies requesting hundreds of food baskets. But fundraising for cash donations is generally more successful than asking for food donations because many people don’t have cars and access to the kind of food this drive is collecting, he said.

According to MoFud’s Facebook page, participants must collect $2.50 each day in order to avoid shaving off their mustaches and “depriving the world of such budding beauty.”

The website states that MoFud is not just for hairy men. Anyone can sponsor a “grower” as long as he or she is registered and continues to come up with the $2.50 each day in order to “keep the mustache flourishing.”

Senior Paul Azzi, an international business and marketing major, said he participated in MoFud last year and tied graduate student Wyatt Eldin for the most funds raised.

“When I first started out, I was collecting a little more than $2.50 every day, but I wasn’t going above and beyond,” Azzi said. “It wasn’t until I was challenged by my friend Wyatt that I started to find some creative ways to collect money.”

Azzi said Eldin scolded him for shaving his mustache when he forgot to collect money one day. Azzi said he then challenged Eldin to a bet to see who could raise more money in the last week of the fundraiser.

“We each independently raised like $800,” Azzi said. “It was a big shock when we saw that we were within $2 or $3 of each other.”

Azzi said he, Eldin and two other students, one of which was female, collected a total of around $4,000 during the last week of 2010’s fundraiser.

“It started out as a silly competition,” Azzi said. “But the end result when we both put forth our all, we made a huge difference to people in the area who probably otherwise wouldn’t have had Thanksgiving.”

Besides UD’s fundraiser, there are many more ways to get involved with Campus Ministry, the Center for Social Concern and mustaches.

For example, Movember is a fundraiser that takes place around the world every November and causes the sprouting of mustaches on thousands of men’s faces, as well as awareness and vital funding for men’s health, according to us.movement.com.

“Once registered at www. movement.com, men start Movember 1st clean shaven,” the website said. “For the rest of the month, these selfless and generous men, known as Mo Bros, grow, trim and wax their way into the annals of fine mustachery. Supported by the women in their lives, Mo Sistas, Movember Mo Bros raise funds by seeking out sponsorship for their Movember efforts.”

Freshman Patrick Gill, a finance and marketing major, said the Movember efforts are a creative way to raise money for a great cause.

“It’s kind of cool how ‘No-shave November’ can have a purpose now,” Gill said.

The city of Dayton’s own Movember celebration, the Movember Mustache Ride, kicks off at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at Fifth Third Field downtown. In order to help raise funds and awareness for men’s cancer research, participants will join local fundraising team MoFRO for a bicycle ride around downtown, according to a Dayton Daily News article. The ride will end at Brix Ice Company for refreshments and continued celebration, the article said.

In addition to MoFud, Movember and the Movember Mustache Ride, Cardillino said many campus ministers in the dorms are encouraging students to donate money to Thanksgiving baskets using their Flyer Express cards. A Gardens Apartments residence assistant also is encouraging people to participate in a 24-hour fast to donate to the baskets, Cardillino said.

For more information about MoFud, contact the Center for Social Concern at 937-229-2224.
Kardashian breakup is a waste of time

Yes people, it happened, I know. I couldn’t believe it either! I, too, was devastated when I heard the news that Kim Kardashian got a divorce. Kim’s picture perfect marriage to NBA player Kris Humphries is “kaput,” as Sheila Marikar of ABC News put it her Monday, Oct. 31, article. The only question I am left with is: why?

Their marriage was all but 72 days old; it was merely an infant. Its young life has been stripped from this world as quickly as presidential candidate Rick Perry’s popularity among Republicans. I can only imagine how Kim and Kris are handling the separation after the few blissful days they spent together.

Poor Kris Humphries. With the NBA lockout, he can’t even distract himself by practicing with the New Jersey Nets … or is it the New York Knicks? Perhaps the Boston Celtics? Where does he play? Who cares, that isn’t important.

And Kim must be destroyed by the situation. I just hope this doesn’t affect her career as an actress. Wait, she’s not an actress! Once again, that’s not important.

What is important is to get as much coverage of this divorce as possible.

Forget that these two people hold no significance in society. Forget the fact that the United States is currently involved in multiple conflicts overseas. And of course, forget the fact more than 9 percent of the U.S. population is currently unemployed.

Kim and Kris’s divorce is way more important, right?

It must be. I can’t fathom any other reason as to why I have heard so many conversations along the lines of, “Did you hear about Kim Kardashian’s divorce?”

I bet it’s just some public relations stunt.” Yet I hear no discussion about the U.S. cutting off aid to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or anything silly like that.

Come on people, let’s get our act together. It’s disturbing that the divorce of two irrelevant people is causing more of a stir on campus than the suffering of American citizens. Imagine what we could accomplish if we only applied our time to relevant issues, such as helping the home-less, instead of to the smut of a pseudo-celebrity divorce.

I am encouraging everyone to please, for the sake of humanity, stop propping up people like Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries on a soapbox. Stop giving them a platform to project their irrelevance onto the world. Instead, take up a cause and work to make the world we live in a better place to live. I promise it will be time much better spent.

“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”

Henry Ford, American industrialist and Ford Motor Co. founder, 1863-1947
Two enormous fists stick into the air, a red chain of dollar signs cuffs them together and blood drips from the shackles. A man’s silhouette stands in the background and waves a white flag bearing the word “OCCU-PY.”

This advertisement was posted on www.OccupyWallSt.org on Sunday, Oct. 30, calling for a “General Strike” to “Shut down Wall Street” by the Ohio Statehouse in red capital letters. The calls to action refer to the movement’s usual rallying cries and the California city that has featured many demonstrations recently.

Occupy Wall Street claims to represent the 99 percent of people “that will no longer tolerate the greed and corruption” of the 1 percent who hold much of the wealth in the United States, and the protesters believe that corporations and politicians are unqualified to fix it. I would propose, however, that Occupy Wall Street is equally unqualified.

I agree that the balance of power in our nation is unfair and that there needs to be a major shift in public policy in order to put the United States back on the path to prosperity. But Occupy Wall Street is going about it all wrong. What the movement is doing amounts to inciting class warfare in place of real, productive change in government.

To begin, Occupy Wall Street does not actually represent 99 percent of Americans. According to an Oct. 18 Gallup poll, 78 percent of adults disapprove or are uncertain of the goals of the movement, with 75 percent disapproving or being uncertain of the manner in which the protests are conducted. In addition, 65 percent of adults were more likely to blame the federal government for current economic problems than Wall Street.

Violent imagery like the advertisement on www.OccupyWallSt.org is another problem. Its colors and imagery evoke hatred toward the upper class, resembling the violent communist propaganda of the Cold War. Even the notion of “occupying” Wall Street is threatening. The 1 percent is composed of citizens of this country who have had to make great sacrifices in order to get the education that allows them to achieve opportunities that many do not have. I agree with the Occupy Wall Street movement that the balance of power in the United States is backward beyond comprehension. But the problems aren’t just the abuses of big business or an ineffective government. The truth is that the citizens of this country are the ones electing public servants, spending banks’ money and falling prey to violent imagery and exclusionary rhetoric like that used by Occupy Wall Street.

If we want to solve the issues facing us today, we have to start holding our public officials accountable for the kinds of reforms we want to see in society.

MATTHEW WORSHAM, FRESHMAN

Discussion, compromise will fix Wall Street problems

On Nov. 8, Ohioans will go to the ballot box to vote on a series of state amendments. State Issue 2 is one of the amendments on this year’s ballot. Issue 2 is a citizen-driven referendum on Senate Bill 5—a bill which limits public employees’ rights to have a seat at the table to collectively bargain with city management. This bill was passed solely on party lines by the Ohio Statehouse and signed into law by Governor John Kasich. I am against Issue 2 and will be voting “No” on it this election.

First of all, Ohio’s Issue 2 is unsafe. As I mentioned, the bill puts Ohio families’ safety at risk by impeding opportunities for public employees, such as emergency responders, police officers and firefighters, to collectively bargain with city governments. This means it will be harder for those public employees to give their input about critical safety equipment, safe staffing levels and professional training that protects Ohio citizens. An example of this can be found in the story of Columbus, Ohio, police officer Michael Weinman. One day while on patrol, a man shot Weinman in the leg, paralyzing him, and then shot him in the chest. Luckily, Michael’s life was saved because he received a bulletproof vest through a successful bargaining session with city management a few weeks prior. That bargaining session had not been allowed, the vests would not have been purchased and Michael would be dead. Stories like this can be found all across Ohio.

Issue 2 is also unfair. The same Columbus politicians who passed Issue 2 voted to give themselves and their staff tens of thousands of dollars in raises. According to a Jan. 6 article in the Akron Beacon Journal, Kasich even uses taxpayer dollars to pay his chief of staff about the same salary as the new White House chief of staff. Ask yourself: How can Columbus politicians ask public employees to make economical changes when they won’t do so themselves? As part-time employees of the state, politicians are making two to three times more money than full-time public employees, according to state auditor candidate David Pepper. For the record, an Oct. 18 article in The Columbus Dispatch said that public employees sacrificed $350 million through concessions with former Governor Ted Strickland.

Issue 2 would end up hurting us all. If Issue 2 is passed, there will be shortages in staffing levels that will result in slower response times for firefighters and police officers. These public servants know what equipment and manpower they need to get the job done. How many politicians in Columbus have fought a fire? Without direct knowledge of the demands of the job, politicians shouldn’t be in charge of telling our public employees what they need in order to do their job of protecting Ohioans.

In the end, Issue 2 is bad for Ohio. The support against Issue 2 is bipartisan. Republican State Senator Bill Seitz described it best when he said Senate Bill 5 is like “going to divorce court and finding out your wife’s father is the judge,” as mentioned in an Oct. 15 New York Times article. Issue 2 turns collective bargaining with management into collective begging with management, as management will always win. This bill is only about increasing the size and roll of government in local matters. The repeal of Senate Bill 5 is critical and I urge you to stand with me and vote “No” on Issue 2!

DANIEL RAJAIAH, JUNIOR

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**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

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**FOOTBALL**

**UD claims victory in 1,000th game in program history**

**DANIEL WHITAKER**

Staff Writer

The University of Dayton’s offense stole the show in a 49-10 win against Valparaiso University Saturday, Oct. 29, in the 1,000th game in the football program’s history.

Touchdowns came from seven different players in the game, including an 88-yard kick return from sophomore wide receiver Gary Hunter to open the second half and give Dayton a 35-3 lead.

Dayton also scored two touchdowns in the final minute of the first half as redshirt freshman quarterback Will Bardo ran in from five yards out with 54 seconds left before halftime. Then redshirt sophomore linebacker Collin Monnier intercepted a pass and two plays later, Bardo threw a 44-yard touchdown pass to redshirt freshman receiver Brandon Johnson with 10 seconds remaining in the half.

According to UD head coach Rick Chamberlin, these plays were key in putting the game away early in the second half.

“We had good execution all game, and being able to capitalize on the three [Valparaiso] turnovers put us in a good position for the rest of the game,” he said.

Also getting in on the scoring were senior running backs Taylor Harris, Dan Jacob and Brian Mack. For the first time this season, all three scored a touchdown in the same game and the trio finished the game with 183 yards rushing combined on 35 carries.

Junior receiver Jordan Boykin also added a touchdown on a 55-yard pass from Bardo.

Bardo said he knew the UD offense was going to be tough to stop Saturday.

“I thought we performed really well, we got into a rhythm early and once we get into a rhythm, it’s hard for anyone to stop us,” he said.

The performances on both sides of the ball allowed the starters to rest for the whole fourth quarter. Also, all 57 players who made the trip to Valparaiso, Ind., played in the game, including three quarterbacks for the first time this season.

This enabled all of the players to be involved in a piece of Dayton football history. It was the 1,000th game in the program’s history, and the win clinched the Flyers 34th winning season in 35 years.

Bardo said it was awesome to be a part of the significant victory.

“Coach [Chamberlin] had a pre-game speech about the impact of this game, and that motivated us to go out there and get a win,” Bardo said. “It’s cool that we were able to be a part of this history, and even better that we got a win.”

Chamberlin said he also was thrilled to get a win on such a special day for the program.

“It’s always our number one goal to have a winning season, and to have that coincide with our 1,000th game as a program is something special,” he said. “I’m glad these boys were able to be a part of this.”

With the win, the Flyers move to 6-3 on the season with two games remaining. Dayton hosts San Diego University on Senior Day at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Welcome Stadium.

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**Women's Basketball**

**Wooden Award candidate ready for senior year**

**ERIN CANNON**

Staff Writer

After undergoing reconstructive knee surgery in the off-season, forward Justine Raterman said she is back stronger than ever for her senior season.

Raterman tore the anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee in the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament, but continued to play with the injury through the NCAA tournament. She had surgery in April, and has worked her way back into shape.

“I never doubted that she wouldn’t have a full recovery,” Dayton head coach Jim Jabir said. “Her strengths are her intelligence and mental toughness, which helped her throughout the process.”

Raterman said she was nervous and initially upset about being injured the summer before her senior season. She said she was concerned about her abilities to prepare and work out as much as she wanted, but gave credit to her teammates for supporting her during her recovery.

“The thing that got me through was my teammates,” Raterman said. “They always had my back and were always motivating me. Just being able to still be around the girls was very uplifting.”

She said she was fortunate to make rehabilitation her only job this summer, and said that it was nice not having to schedule work-outs and appointments around classes.

Raterman’s hard work was noted nationally as she was named one of 30 preseason frontrunners for the John R. Wooden Award. The award is “presented annually to the outstanding collegiate female basketball Player of the Year,” according to its website.

She is the first Flyer in the history of the women’s basketball program to be on this watch list. She is also the sole A-10 representative this season.

“I was very excited to be honored in that way,” Raterman said. “I think it is a very telling from where our program has come over the past few years. It is a great reflection of our program and our team.”

Jabir also said her nomination for the award is a product of the team’s national reputation.

“If you’re a good player on a bad team, you don’t get nominated for this award,” Jabir said. “She would be the first one to say that it is her teammates’ award as well.”

Raterman has led the Flyers in scoring for the past three seasons with 14 points per game and 7.2 rebounds per game.

Jabir noted that Raterman is a “coach on the court” and is constantly talking to her teammates and giving them advice.

“She leads by her own example,” he said. “She’s a great example of getting the most out of your abilities. Justine achieves, and over-achieves, and is just an overall great human being.”

Both Raterman and Jabir said they are looking forward to the start of the season. With seven returning seniors, the Flyers said they have high hopes and expectations for themselves.

“One of the biggest goals this season is to play without regrets and to go out every single day playing our hardest,” Raterman said. “If we do that, then our goals and accomplishments will fall into place.”

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Men’s Basketball

Flyers shoot strong in opening exhibition victory

CHRISS MOORMAN
Sports Editor

Day by day, the season for the University of Dayton men’s basketball team looms closer.

The Flyers beat Walsh University 92-78 in their first exhibition game of the season Saturday, Oct. 29, at UD Arena. Redshirt junior forward Josh Benson led Dayton with 23 points and 8 rebounds.

Walsh is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, an athletic association with 270 member institutions in the U.S. and Canada, according to the NAIA website. The Cavaliers are currently in the second year of a transition to NCAA Division II.

Dayton opened the game 8-for-9 from the field before the first media timeout with 12:22 remaining in the first half. The Flyers used that shooting streak to claim a 21-12 lead.

UD shot 63.3 percent from the field in the first half and had a lead as large as 19 points after Benson hammered his third and final dunk of the first half at the 7:31 mark to make it 41-22 Dayton lead. First-year head coach Archie Miller said after the game the Flyers used that shooting streak to claim a 21-12 lead.

Defensively, the Flyers gave up 78 points to Walsh, and 6-foot-9 junior center Kenny Kornowski scored a game-high 30 points while grabbing nine rebounds. Dayton was outrebounded 37-32 in the game.

Defense is something Miller said will take a team effort, and Saturday showed there were still some things to work on, according to Dillard.

“We gave up 78 points ... at home,” Dillard said. “That’s a lot of points to give up anywhere. You give up 78 points, you’ve got to score a lot of points to win. It’s not the way we wanted to win, but we got the win. So we going to take it, take the criticism tomorrow from the film and try to get better.”

Dayton will play its final exhibition game against the University of Findlay at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at UD Arena.

Volleyball

Volleyball continues winning streak with weekend A-10 sweep

STEVEN WRIGHT
Asst. Sports Editor

Another weekend sweep of Atlantic 10 Conference foes moved the University of Dayton volleyball team closer to securing its third straight regular season conference championship.

On Friday, Oct. 28, the Flyers defeated the University of North Carolina at Charlotte 25-14, 25-13, 25-13, at the Frericks Center. Junior outside hitter Rachel Krabacher led the team with 11 kills and sophomore middle blocker and rightside hitter Megan Campbell had 10. UD recorded a .442 hit percentage and held holding the 49ers to only .028.

The Flyers continued its winning streak in defeating George Washington University 26-24, 25-19, 25-10 Saturday.

The Flyers recorded a .309 hit percentage, held GWU to a .136 hit percentage and outscored the Colonials 59-20.

“GW is pretty good and they play pretty good defense,” UD head coach Kelly Sheffield said. “We missed quite a few serves in that game one, which made it difficult for us to score points.”

Krabacher again led the team in kills with 14. Junior libero Paige Vargas and sophomore defensive specialist and setter Allyson Morey both recorded double-digit digs with 16 and 13, respectively.

GWU junior outside hitter Lauren Whyte had a double-double with 14 kills and 10 digs.

With the two wins, both against squads UD previously defeated this season, Dayton has won 15 consecutive matches and 31 straight in A-10 regular season play dating back to Oct. 30, 2009. The Flyers’ five-match streak of sweeping its opponent ties the team’s longest this season.

Sheffield said it can be difficult to defeat teams twice in one season without players being in the right state of mind, but that is something his Flyers do not need to worry about.

“I think if you’ve got weak-minded players on your team, then it’s very difficult,” he said. “I don’t think our players are wired that way. One of the great things about this team is we respect every one of our opponents and the results have shown that we’ve gone out with the mentality that we want to play our best each and every night.”

Krabacher leads the conference in kills and points this season and ranks 16th and 18th in the country in each category, respectively.

She said a team effort has led to the success for her and UD this season.

“Everyone has improved this year and everyone plays a crucial role,” Krabacher said. “Our team is so great this year that I think [any] one person can really take over a match. If they’re putting up a huge block on me, then someone else can really put balls down, so anyone can do it at anytime.”

The Flyers can clinch at least a share of the A-10 regular season championship for the sixth time in seven years with one more victory.

The team can also clinch the top overall seed in the conference tournament in a variety of ways. The two main scenarios include two more wins, or one more win plus a loss each by Xavier University and Saint Louis University, who the Flyers both will play over the next two weeks.

“Going into the tournament, we always want the momentum knowing we’re the best team and we can beat anyone,” Krabacher said. “Every game is important.”

Sheffield said with the margin his team has over second-place Xavier, he hopes to clinch the top overall seed. Winning championships is what the team wants to accomplish in the end though, he said.

“We want to win championships here,” he said. “The first championship you get a chance at here is the A-10 regular season championship. It’s extremely important. We’re not playing for a seed, we’re playing for a title.”

The Flyers return to action in Cincinnati against Xavier at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at the Cintas Center.
Flyers hoping for NCAA tournament three-peat

CHRIS MOORMAN
Sports Editor

The drive for the University of Dayton women’s basketball team to achieve three consecutive NCAA tournament appearances begins Friday, Nov. 11.

Dayton had a first-round NCAA tournament appearance last year and finished the season 21-12, but will have to answer questions early in the 2011-2012 season.

The graduation of three seniors, including guard Kristin Daugherty, the fifth-highest scorer in program history, leaves some holes on an experienced roster. Senior forward Justine Raterman was last year’s leading scorer and rebounder, and she is coming off knee surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee that she suffered in the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament in March.

Raterman said her knee is fine, although slightly sore as to be expected, and she is ready for the upcoming season. Head coach Jim Jabir said he doesn’t plan on coaching any differently despite Raterman’s knee injury.

“She’s worked very hard rehabbing,” he said. “She’s ready to go. I’m not treating her... other than the brace on her knee; we don’t treat her like there’s anything wrong with her.”

Raterman scored 13.7 points a game and grabbed 7.3 rebounds last season. The loss of Daugherty could affect Dayton’s goals of winning the A-10 Tournament and getting back to the NCAA tournament, but senior guard Patrice Lator and others are looking to contribute, Jabir said.

Lator scored eight points and went 2-for-2 from behind the three-point line in the yearly Red-Blue scrimmage Oct. 22 at UD Arena. She recorded an assist-to-turnover ratio of 1.46 last season with 118 assists compared to 80 turnovers. Lator also had the best free-throw percentage on the team with a minimum of 60 attempts at 86.4 percent.

Jabir specifically said that junior forward Olivia Applewhite and senior guard DeSarre Chambers are likely contributors as well.

“I think that we have a lot of talent,” Jabir said. “People have improved. Olivia Applewhite has really improved. DeSarre Chambers is in the best shape of her career and she should be able to contribute a higher level... We’ll miss the seniors, but I think what we have back and what we have coming in would be enough to help us get where we want to go.”

The two freshman recruits Jabir brought in will be expected to produce this year, he said. Guard Andrea Hoover will be an option off the bench when Lator or senior guard Kayla Moses needs a breather. Freshman forward Ally Malott, the program’s first McDonald’s All-American, could also see extensive minutes. The McDonald’s All-American team is comprised annually of the nation’s top high school basketball players.

Raterman said it has been interesting so far for her to watch the two freshmen get accustomed to college basketball.

“(The) two freshman coming in, I mean, they’re great recruits,” Raterman said. “Now they just have to learn how to play at a college level and they’re picking up on it very quickly. It’s really fun to watch them grow and become part of our culture and the way we play. There’s a lot of expectations we have out of them, but they’ve really rose to the occasion.”

With senior center Casey Nance, sophomore center Cassie Sant and Malott all standing over 6-foot-3 inches, Dayton has as much height as anyone in the conference. Temple and Dayton both have three players over that height and both schools were picked to finish first in the annual A-10 coaches’ poll on Oct. 31.

Jabir said with the Flyers’ fast-paced offense, balance is more crucial than having a height advantage in the post if Dayton wants to win.

The Flyers begin their season next Friday against Bowling Green State University in hopes of meeting the team’s objective of another NCAA tournament appearance.

“Our success in the past few years, everyone is expecting a lot out of us,” Raterman said. “There’s a lot of goals that we have in mind, but I think the main thing is that we just have to come out every single day and let it all out on the court... If we go out there and play every game like it’s our last, we’ll have a great season.”

Women’s Basketball

All-American freshman makes transition to college game

JAY SEATON
Staff Writer

It is starting to get cold outside and at the University of Dayton that means one thing: basketball season.

This year, the UD women’s basketball team is looking to improve upon last year’s overall mark of 21-12. One of the key components to this improvement will be 6-foot-4-inch freshman forward Ally Malott.

Malott, an exercise science major, enters her first year at UD as the only McDonald’s All-American in program history. Every year, McDonald’s sponsors a game between some of the best and most highly recruited high school players in the country. This past year, according to the McDonald’s All-American website, Malott was selected as one of the 24 top women’s basketball players in the country to play in the featured game at the United Center in Chicago.

Honors like these don’t come easy. When asked how her work ethic affected her high school success, Malott said it was a constant stream of output on the court.

“I had to work hard day in and day out,” she said. “I always had coaches and teammates pushing me to be my best.”

She said there is a similar atmosphere at UD.

“I still have people pushing me here on a daily basis, making me be the best I can be,” Malott said.

One of those people looking to push Malott is Dayton head coach Jim Jabir. Jabir said he looks to find ways to push Malott without putting too much pressure on her.

“I just want Ally’s best effort,” Jabir said. “I’m not going to overhaul her with too much pressure.”

As for the honor of being the only McDonald’s All-American in UD history, both Malott and Jabir said they use it as a building experience.

“When I found out I got selected, I was shocked,” Malott said. “I got the chance to play against the highest-caliber players in the country and that will only help me now.”

Malott averaged 21.2 points per game in her senior season at Midtown Madison High School in Middletown, Ohio, which is located about 30 miles southwest of Dayton. She finished her career with 1,689 points and 865 rebounds while being named first team all-Division III in Ohio three times, winning Division III Player of the Year in 2011.

Jabir said that Malott has to make a name for herself at UD, too.

“We are glad to have a player like Ally, but that stuff is in the past,” he said. “She starts fresh now.”

Even as one of the best freshmen in the country, Malott said the game changes in college. She said the game is much faster and much more physical. She plans on using her strengths more effectively on the basketball court to compete.

When asked about Malott’s acclimation to the program at UD, Jabir had positive remarks.

“She has adapted to our system really well,” he said. “We look forward to her contributions on offense this year.”

Malott also has things to improve on too, according to Jabir.

“She has to improve on defense, but we expect big things,” Jabir said.

Taking the leap from high school to Division I college basketball may be difficult, but the UD women’s basketball team is awaiting significant contributions from its big-time recruit.

Freshman forward Ally Malott dribbles the ball up court against Northern Kentucky University Tuesday, Nov. 1, at UD Arena. MICKEY SHIEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

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