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Asst. News Editor

University of Dayton students, faculty, and staff and Dayton residents came together at sunset Wednesday, Nov. 9, in the Immaculate Conception Chapel to commemorate Kristallnacht, the event popularly recognized as the beginning of the Holocaust. Kristallnacht means "Night of Broken Glass," in German and refers to Nov. 9, 1938, when Nazis went through Germany destroying thousands of synagogues, houses and stores of German Jews, according to a flier advertising this year's commemoration.

"Kristallnacht is really where it became clear in Germany that it was going to be very different than the many previous persecutions of Jews in Europe," said Rabbi Judith Bluestein, professor of Religion 366, The Holocaust: Theological and Religious Responses.

Three years ago, Sister Laura Leming, an associate professor and chair of the department of sociology, anthropology and social work, organized UD's first Kristallnacht remembrance event.

Leming said that for years she has watched the day pass and felt like she needed to do something to commemorate it.

"As a Catholic Marianist university, I felt we needed to do something to remember a night that was so significant," Leming said.

A candlelight ceremony began with a moment of silence for the victims of the Holocaust and a speech from Renate Frydman, a Dayton resident who escaped Nazi Germany with her family on the night of Kristallnacht. Frydman said in her speech that she made a promise to herself that she will always help teach people about that night, especially the hundreds of people that were killed and thousands incarcerated, including her uncle.

"Kristallnacht was a lesson in the history of humankind," Frydman said in her speech. "If our neighbors are targeted, we cannot stand idly by. Please help me in making the world a better place."

The remembrance continued with a lighting of the lamps of remembrance, six lights for the 6 million Jews lost in the Holocaust, and one light for the others that died with them. The ceremony also featured the UD World Music Choir singing "Ani Ma'amin" in a Hebrew dialect, which means "I believe" in English.

Emma Vichill, a sophomore education major and World Music Choir member, said the song was one Jews sang as they entered the gas chambers during the Holocaust. She said the choir sang the song as a sign of respect for life, reminding all of the inhumanity of the Holocaust.

After the choir's performance, everyone at the ceremony lit candles, listened to a prayer for Kristallnacht and shared peace. Debi Ormsbee, a human resource staff member and student in Bluestein's Holocaust class, said that the event was very nice and respectful.

Ormsbee said she felt the significance of the event was to "remember all those who suffered a great loss because of racism and anti-Semitism."

Bluestein also said the ceremony was well-done, tasteful and moving. She said she believes that it is important to remember events like Kristallnacht so that they do not happen again.

"The Holocaust never needed to happen if the nearby countries hadn't closed their eyes to it."

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University prepares for switch to Google Apps email system

SARA DORN
Chief News Writer

The University of Dayton will switch from the Lotus Notes email software to Gmail through Google Apps for Education on Nov. 25.

Starting that day all emails sent to current Lotus Notes accounts will be forwarded to UD Gmail accounts called UDMail, which will be the new campus email service, according to the UD Information Technologies website.

Google Apps for Education is a free email service available for schools from kindergarten to the college level, and the administrative level, including state government and school districts, according to the website.

New email addresses will be addressed to users at "@udayton.edu" instead of "@notes.udayton.edu."

Cody Knife, a junior political science major and UDit technology service representative, said he made the switch to UDMail early along with many others to test the service. He said it's been running flawlessly thus far.

He said 215 faculty and staff members and 41 students were included in the early switch so they could help with the transition.

"What we've done is we have people called 'Google guides' set up, and they're going to be members of the staff set up to help guide people through the transitions," he said.

Every academic department has a faculty or staff member designated as a "Google guide" to help their respective departments transition through the process.

Knife said he expects students to enjoy the new UDMail software.

"I think one of the things students will like is there's a lot more room for emails," said Knife, who has been using UDMail for about a month.

Karen Bull, UDit director of IT administrative services, said UDMail has 25GB of memory, compared to the consumer version's

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UDDeals website offers students fundraising, discount service

VINCE TORCHIA
Staff Writer

Two University of Dayton alumni recently started a website offering fundraising opportunities for student organizations and deals for students. Adrian Perez, who graduated in 2009, and Eduardo Arroyo, who graduated in 2010, said they started the website www.UDDeals.com in October. They said the website is modeled similarly to popular existing sites such as Groupon and LivingSocial.

“It's the same thing that Groupon and LivingSocial are doing, but they have failed to penetrate the college market,” Arroyo said. Groupon and LivingSocial are websites which allow users to save money on goods and services by purchasing them at a discounted rate with a group.

Arroyo said their website is free for students and student organizations. It offers a new deal from local vendors every week. He said he and Perez negotiate with local businesses to offer at least a 50 percent discount for each week’s product.

He said the deals feature helps students save money while merchants gain exposure. The website also allows student organizations to sell event tickets and fundraising items such as T-shirts. Arroyo said, “We don’t attract them [students] just by giving a deal,” Arroyo said. “We also let them use their platform to fundraise as well.”

Before using the website to sell fundraising items, a group must submit a request for approval to the website. The student organization receives all proceeds from fundraising, except for fees UDDeals must pay to Paypal, the credit card service which handles the website’s transactions, Arroyo said. The website also provides a feature allowing student organizations to see how much money they have raised so far.

Arroyo and Perez also are incorporating their Monchon business, a sandwich stand open from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays at 16 Woodland Ave., with UDDeals.

Perez said Monchon now offers student takeovers, nights when students can sell Monchon sandwich vouchers to raise money for their organizations. Student organizations receive 30 percent of the profits for paper vouchers and 50 percent for vouchers sold online. Perez said this is a way to attract students to the website.

“We wanted to hit the future leaders of the world,” Arroyo said. “We have to recognize the impact that social media and sharing has on this generation.”

Distance 4 Dreams recently had a Monchon takeover event with great success, according to Jared Steinmetz, a junior pre-physical therapy major and the organization’s fundraising chair.

Distance 4 Dreams is a student organization at UD, Xavier University and Wittenberg University which raises money to send a child with a life-threatening disease to Universal Studios, Sea World and Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

“There are a lot of student takeovers on campus,” Steinmetz said. “If people support their mission, they say, ‘This is a new and cool idea and I can get a good deal’.”

Arroyo said UDDeals’ vouchers include QR codes, bar codes that smart phones can scan, for student organizations and merchants.

He said students may also be able to use Flyer Express funds, money they can load on their student identification cards, on UDDeals in the future.

For more information on UDDeals’ weekly offers and fundraising opportunities, visit www.UDDeals.com.
RACHEL TOVITITI
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton Army ROTC observed Veterans Day with a memorial ceremony from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at the Central Mall.

More than 6,000 names of service members who died since 9/11 in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom were read out loud at the Central Mall, according to the UD Army ROTC website.

ROTC also participated in a national moment of silence at 2 p.m. to remember all of those who had fallen in combat and given their lives in military service as part of the event, according to the UD Army ROTC website.

Julia O’Neil, a senior criminal justice and sociology major and ROTC cadet, said in an email to Flyer News that the event was meant to communicate to students “that freedom is not free.”

“The event is meant to honor all the service members that have given their lives to ensure freedom,” she said in the email.

Jeremy Krug, a senior electrical engineering major and ROTC cadet, said in an email that he helped with some of the planning process for the event, including decorating Central Mall with over 6,000 American flags.

“Many of the seniors, including myself, took ropes to measure place. There is a timeline that breaks the transition up into phases. The last phase of the transition, from Dec. 19 to Dec. 23, is designated to transfer students’ Lotus Notes messages to their new UDMail account. This service will not automatically be done though, Bull said.

By joining the Google Apps group on Porches, students can request their old emails be transferred to their new account. Faculty and staff have this service automatically. The UDMail channel on Porches also sends updates and instructions on the transition.

All mail that was forwarded previously from Lotus Notes to another account will stop Nov. 25, and students will have to indicate on Porches if they would like to have their Lotus Notes email accounts still be forwarded to their UDMail accounts, and students will be able to use UDMail for one semester after they graduate or withdraw from the university, Knife said. This means students who graduate in May will have access to their UDMail accounts until the beginning of August when the second summer session ends.

Knife said UDit will schedule more staff members than usual from Nov. 27 to Dec. 2 to handle the transition.

For assistance, anyone can contact the UDit call center at 937-229-8888 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9-11 p.m. Sunday. Individuals also can visit Miriam Hall room 53 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

For more information about the UDMail transition, visit www.bit.ly/UDMailTransition.

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7GB. Students also will be able to access their UD address book from their UDMail account after the transition, which will take place at 9 a.m. Nov. 30 with no expected downtime.

Knife said the UDMail login page will remain the same as the consumer version of Gmail, but with the UDMail logo on in the top-right corner of the screen.

Bull said another plus about the new mail system is that it’s free. “Conservatively, it saves us about $100,000 a year because with Lotus Notes, we have to support an infrastructure of data and the software and licensing fees,” Bull said.

An online guide for the pre- and post-transition information is available on the community.udayton.edu website. There are links for students, faculty and staff about how to access the new account through Porches once the transition takes out and mark with tape at 11.5 inch intervals,” Krug said in the email. “This allowed for easier set up during the early morning (Friday) by laying down the ropes on the field and placing flags at each mark to keep up even spacing.”

O’Neil said the flags symbolized all the service members whose names were read at the event.

“[It] is meant to send a powerful message by having a flag representing each service member while reading all the names to acknowledge their important sacrifice,” she said in her email.

Reading the names of service members who had fallen in combat was part of Remembrance Day National Roll Call, which is sponsored by the Veterans Knowledge Community of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators in Higher Education, according to O’Neil.

NASPA is a 12,000-member student affairs professional development organization.

More than 180 schools from all 50 states participated in the event on Veterans Day, according to O’Neil.

Some of the participating schools included Clemson University, Indiana State University, University of Michigan, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, and Texas A&M University, according to the NASPA website.

The UD Army ROTC program offers students classroom activities, hands-on training, and many other team building exercises to help them build leadership skills necessary to succeed in the military and corporate worlds, according to the UD ROTC website.

Krug said in his email that the Veterans Day event was meant to elicit a moment of respect for U.S. military veterans. “We are trying to send a powerful message so that anyone who comes by KU Field will stop and think about all of our military veterans, especially all who made the ultimate sacrifice,” Krug said in the email.

Students pass by 6,000 U.S. flags placed on Veterans Day by the UD Army ROTC program to commemorate fallen soldiers since the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Friday, Nov. 11, at the Central Mall. KEVIN LONGACRE/ASSIT. PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

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Eleven UD professors sign death penalty petition

MEREDITH WHELCHEL
Staff Writer

Eleven University of Dayton professors are among hundreds of scholars listed on a petition written last month for the United States’ repeal of the death penalty.

The Oct. 10 petition was organized by Catholic Moral Theology, an organized association of Catholic theologians who gather to explore their faith, according to its website.

The petition, written by Anthony Winright, a professor of theological studies at Saint Louis University, states it was signed by the DPIC, a non-profit Washington, D.C., organization that publishes articles on the death penalty and serves as a resource for the topic.

Thirty-four states, including Ohio, recognize the death penalty as a criminal punishment, according to the DPIC.

Kelly Johnson, an associate professor of religious studies at UD, said she signed the petition and opposes the death penalty by virtue of Catholic teaching. As an educator, Johnson said she felt it was her responsibility to inform students and others of the recognized Catholic stance on the death penalty.

Johnson said UD should be informed of the injustice that continues in the legal system today because it is a Marist institution.

“People value community here at UD,” Johnson said. “Community means you have to stay at the table, even if it means staying for criminals. This means we have to keep talking, we have to keep our commitment to social transformation by creating a fight for redemption.”

Most people who support the death penalty argue that it supports justice and safety, Johnson said. Many feel that when injustice occurs, a proportionate penalty should result, she said.

Although there are safety concerns following capital offenses, she said that restraining convicted criminals through life sentences without parole ensures safety and is more cost-effective.

“People need to understand an unjust system,” Johnson said. “When a murder occurs, people want to make it right by eliminating the murderer. Sacrifice ended with Jesus and it is not acceptable to kill people in order to make the world right.”

Dennis Doyle, a professor of religious studies at UD, said he signed the petition to repeal the death penalty after years of supporting it.

Doyle said he previously incorporated the death penalty topic into the Faith and Justice course at UD, which is now taught by Johnson.

As a Catholic theologian, Doyle said he felt the death penalty did not coincide with recognized Catholic values.

“There seem to be cases where the death penalty, from many angles, would look appropriate or represent a certain kind of justice,” Doyle said. “However, the death penalty has also wrongfully put many innocent people to death.”

Caitlin Cipolla-McCulloch, a senior Catholic religious studies major, said it was a bold move for so many professors to sign the petition. She said it showcases the professors’ understanding of Catholic social teaching and their desire to live in a more just world.

“The death penalty is not a form of judicial action that should be utilized in any situation,” Cipolla-McCulloch said. “It is really difficult for me to imagine a situation where the death penalty could be justified in the United States due to the prison system that is in place in our country.”

On days of scheduled Ohio executions, UD’s Center for Social Concern holds vigils at the Immaculate Conception Chapel to pray for both the victim of the crime and the criminal, according to Nick Cardilino, the center director. He said that individuals are invited to join a vigil at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, as Cleveland native Reginald Brooks, who has been on death row since 1984 for killing his three sons in 1982, will be executed that day.

The Department of Languages announces a competition for the

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and invites applications from undergraduate students who have declared or will declare a major or minor in the Department of Languages before the application deadline.

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- Applicants must have completed foreign language instruction in the target language through the 202 level or equivalent.
- The language of instruction at the host institution cannot be the student’s native language.
- Application information can be obtained in the Department of Languages office, Humanities Center, Room 332.
- Deadline for application: February 1, 2012.
- One scholarship granted each academic year.

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NOV. TUESDAY
SPAGHETTI DINNER
15 Visit Virginia W. Kettering Residence Hall from 6-8 p.m. for a $5 spaghetti dinner to benefit Shoes for the Shoeless, a charity organization which gives shoes and socks to needy children. The event also will include a raffle for Brown Street restaurant gift cards. For more information, contact the UD Marketing Club at info@udmk.com.

NOV. TUESDAY
LEARNING ABOUT SOCIAL JUSTICE
15 Former UD President Brother Raymond Fitz will lead a discussion titled “What is Social Justice?” from 7-8 p.m. in the Marianist Hall learning space on the second floor. For more information, contact Hillary Cook at cookh1@notes.udayton.edu.

NOV. WEDNESDAY
A CLASS APART
16 Roesch Library will host a documentary film screening of “A Class Apart” from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The film covers a famous 1950s discrimination case in Texas organized by Mexican-Americans. For more information, contact Roesch Library at 937-229-4221.

NOV. THURSDAY
HOMELESSNESS PLUNGE
17 Learn about poverty and homelessness firsthand at 7 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. Participants will spend time with homeless people and staff from HomeFull, a homeless shelter in Dayton. For more information, contact the Center for Social Concern at 937-229-2524.
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Bluestein said. “I hope that something like it will never happen in the future.”

Leming said she was pleased with the ceremony and that the many students, faculty, staff and local residents involved helped make it come together.

“It’s [the event’s] very simple, it’s not a big thing, but it comes together with a lot of energy and makes me feel like, ‘yeah, that’s a good thing to do,’” Leming said. “Genocide is still happening in the world today and we need to stand against it. We have to have a global perspective about what’s important and what we can learn. If we don’t take a lesson from the past, what’s going to change?”

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Senior exhibition celebrates artistic growth, commitment to studies

HAYLEY DOUGLAS
Staff Writer

The second floor of the College Park Center will feature artwork by graduating seniors in an exhibition from 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, through Dec. 11, in its newly renovated display space, “Gallery 249.”

Each senior participant selects the piece he or she wants to display in the gallery for the yearly senior exhibition. The variety of media and techniques in the exhibition are meant to showcase the talents and diversity among the students in the visual arts department, said senior Lauren Graehler, a visual communication design major and featured artist.

Although there are faculty advisers helping oversee the setup of the show, it is mainly put together by a team of seniors, said Erin Holischer Almazan, associate professor in the visual arts department. These students are thoughtfully providing the content, installation, and music for the senior exhibition, she said.

One organizer of this show is senior Donny Rambacher, a visual communication design major. Rambacher will feature his work titled “Book, Altered.”

“Art is either plagiarism or revolution.” Rambacher said in his artist statement.

As the senior show approaches, Rambacher said he remembers his time spent in the visual arts department.

“It’s [the CPC’s] a second home to me,” Rambacher said. “All of the professors are extremely welcoming.”

The effort put in behind the scenes to create these works of art should not be overlooked, Almazan said.

Senior Sarah Fortener, a fine arts major said, “The show will be featuring the work that we love doing and have been doing for these past four years.”

This event is meant to appreciate and celebrate the years that each senior has been refining his or her artistic abilities, Fortener said.

The featured works illustrate the students’ dedication to the processes of art for their future vocation, she said.

Senior Kathryn Sturm, a visual communication design major, said that the show wishes to suggest the importance of “good design and being able to convey a message beautifully” in each piece that is created.

This exhibition is a great send-off to UD’s next class of Flyer alumni, said senior Liz Anderson, a visual communication design major.

Anderson said her time as an art student at UD has been the best experience of her life.

A reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Dec. 11 to close the display. Individuals interested in visiting the exhibition can obtain access cards to visit the second floor at the front desk of the College Park Center. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, with additional evening hours until 7 p.m. on Thursdays.
Star Like Me: Bethany

“This issue’s writer is senior Bethany Marquis, a civil engineering major, who performed in this year’s presentation of the “Rocky Horror Picture Show” which took place from Tuesday, Nov. 8, through Thursday, Nov. 10, at Timothy’s Pub and Grill.

Being a part of the “Rocky Horror Picture Show” has been one of the highlights of my college career. I never would have pegged myself for the type to perform in lingerie, but when I put my fishnets on I feel invincible. That’s the magic of “Rocky Horror” – it gives us all, cast and audience alike, the chance to step outside of ourselves and get a taste of what it’s like beyond the walls of our comfort zones.

I’ve seen ordinarily conservative friends come to Tim’s in corsets and lose themselves in the absolute silliness happening in front of them on stage. I’ve watched cast members from different social circles and majors bond over breaking down their own insecurities. For three nights out of the year, students from all different majors, clubs and walks of life come together to revel in the chaos that is “Rocky Horror,” and I could not be more proud to have been a part of it.

As we all bowed after our final performance last week, I took a moment to look out into the crowd. I have never seen so many people packed into Tim’s before. Some were dressed up and standing right next to the stage, yelling callbacks with the rest of the cast. Others kept a safe distance from the heels and fishnets, choosing instead to hang closer to the bar. I know that some were there just to support their friends in the cast, and others were there because they had been dragged along by their more adventurous friends. But at the end of the day, it doesn’t really matter why they came – everybody gets something out of “Rocky Horror.”

For some, it’s an excuse to cut loose in the middle of the week. Others go to expand their horizons and see a different side of what UD has to offer. Still, others use “RoHo” as an excuse to be someone different for a night. Me? When I was a freshman, Rocky Horror was an adventure. My sophomore “Rocky” experience helped me to find my “inner sexy” and be comfortable in my own skin. As a junior, I stepped up to direct the main cast. And this year, my final “Rocky Horror” experience has been an opportunity for me to reinforce all of the things that “Rocky” has helped me find in myself.

It’s strange to realize that many of the character leaps I’ve made in college have been because of this crazy show, but you don’t give this much of yourself to anything without getting a little bit back. Whatever “Rocky Horror” has meant to you, I want to take this opportunity on behalf of the cast and crew to thank you for letting us be a part of your UD experience. The realization that I don’t have another “Rocky Horror” show is still sinking in, but it’s easier to let go knowing that “RoHo” will have a place at UD for many years to come. The last four years have been a wilder ride than I ever imagined I would take at a Marianist university, but I wouldn’t dream of taking back a single second of the experience.

LINDSAY MUDD
Staff Writer

The Dayton premiere of the 2011 global short-film festival Media that Matters will show at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at The Neon theater downtown.

The Dayton event will showcase the winners of the 2011 Media that Matters national independent short-film competition held by Arts Engine, a distributor of independent media related to current social issues.

The Arts Engine’s 11th annual Media that Matters short film festival opened in June with a world premiere in New York City, and has since reached thousands of communities around the world, according to its website.

The event is the fourth annual Media that Matters showcase in Dayton sponsored by Dayton Access Television, said Dan Suffoletto, DATV marketing director. DATV is a non-profit organization providing Dayton residents with facilities, training and equipment to create their own electronic media to air on their Time Warner, Inc. public access channel 5, according to its website.

The 2011 films include independent shorts about current social issues such as human rights, diversity and justice.

“The festival features 12 jury selected short films that tackle a broad range of social issues with humor, humanity and honesty in 12 minutes or less,” according to the DATV website.

The 2011 festival lineup includes short film “Burning Barriers,” a documentary on women’s justice and the under-representation of women firefighters in New York City’s fire department, according to the Media that Matters website.

The Arts Engine’s Human Rights Award recipient, “The Leaves Keep Falling,” is a short-film documentary that explains the long-term effects of the U.S. herbicide war tactic used during the Vietnam War. Other 2011 short film topics include seasonal hunger, religious diversity and economic struggles, according to the DATV website.

“The films are equally diverse in style and content, with documentaries, music videos, animations, experimental work and everything else in between,” according to the Media that Matters website. “What all the films have in common is that they spark debate and action.”

The event should appeal to University of Dayton students, according to Jeff Griffin, an associate professor in the department of communication.

“This event will provide UD students with a close-at-hand opportunity not only to profit from exposure to the filmmakers’ perspectives on these varied issues, but also to explore a media format, short films, that is rarely on display in contemporary television or in cinemas,” Griffin said.

Viewers will receive a “Take Action” guide providing information on ways to use the films’ message to make a difference, Suffoletto said.

“We hope the films will inspire the viewers to take action and create their own social media issue to enter the Arts Engine competition and to make a difference in the Dayton community,” Suffoletto said.

Tickets are $10 and are available online at www.DATV.org; at The Neon box office or at DATV’s Public Access Center at 280 Leo St. in Dayton. For more information about the event, visit www.DATV.org or www.MediaThatMattersFest.org.

Short-film festival tackles media, society

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SUPER SCIENCE: The Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, located at 2600 DeWeese Parkway in Dayton, is offering free tickets from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15. Visitors can explore interactive science exhibits and artifacts, and discover something new. For more information, contact the museum at 937-275-7431.

HE’S GOT RHYTHM: World-renowned musician Bassekou Kouyate will rock a local and African sounds at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, in Boll Theatre. Student tickets can be purchased from the Kennedy Union box office for $10. For more information, contact the UD Arts Series at 937-229-2787.

SOMETHING FISHY: Make your own sushi in this Wednesday Workshop featuring Nick Rivet, executive chef of FUSIAN, from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, at ArtStreet. The workshop will be presented in conjunction with the Citizens of the World International Exposition. For more information, call ArtStreet at 937-229-5101.

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Photo courtesy of UD Arts Series.
Interview reveals other side of Springer

When I found out I was going to interview Jerry Springer, I envisioned it in my head. He would talk to me over the phone and I would hear the chorus of “Jerry! Jerry! Jerry!” in the background, as two overweight women duked it out over which trailer park space was theirs.

This scene – which many of us might imagine when we hear Springer’s name – did not reflect my interview with him. Although he did call me from the set of “The Jerry Springer Show,” what I experienced wasn’t a raunchy, trashy man. Instead, what I got was a well-spoken, intelligent man who has a passion for politics and loves the New York Yankees. And it made me realize that Springer isn’t quite the man we all think he is.

Our interview was scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, but I got the call from Jerry at 10 a.m. I answered the phone, scrambling to turn my computer on and trying to pull up the notes and questions I had come up with the night before. His voice was rough and he sounded much shorter in person, but as I talked to him, none of my preparations for the interview even mattered. After I asked one question, it ended up spinning off into depths of conversation that I never could have imagined.

Born in London in 1944, Springer migrated to Queens, N.Y., at the age of 5. This would explain his love for the Yankees, which he says is “the only Republican thing about me.” Although “The Jerry Springer Show” is entering its 21st season, he said he never envisioned himself doing a television show like that. He graduated from Tulane University with a degree in political science and then went on to get his law degree at Northwestern University.

After law school, he moved to Cincinnati to work for a law firm. He quickly moved into the political scene, campaigning to lower the voting age from 21 to 18. He then won a seat on the Cincinnati City Council in 1971. After five terms on the City Council, he became mayor of Cincinnati at the age of 33.

Jerry moved into the talk show host scene 21 years ago when the NBC network affiliate he was then working for told him that he was going to do it, thus spawning “The Jerry Springer Show.” He is also an author; a Broadway actor and a host for a variety of other television shows, including “America’s Got Talent.”

Although he is now known for his career in show business, he still remains politically active. He said that “there is a class war being led primarily by politicians,” and that “there is a divide in America that has not existed in my lifetime.”

A liberal through and through, he lambasted the political atmosphere of today and said “all the legislation that is passed today primarily benefits wealthy people, like me. It’s insane.”

This conversation with Jerry made me realize his true character. Before my interview, I thought of him as a trashy talk show host and nothing else. But after I got off the phone with him, I felt as though I had met an intelligent, deep guy that cares greatly for the fate of this country.

Word on the street...

What are your thoughts on capital punishment?

JOSIE LITTLE
FRESHMAN
SPECIAL EDUCATION

“I should be based on the intentions of the person who got in trouble.”

NATE PERRY
SENIOR
CRIMINAL JUSTICE

“‘I’m against it, however I understand why victims’ families are in favor of it.’”

CHRISTINE CIRILLO
SOPHOMORE
PSYCHOLOGY

“I don’t really know what’s worse, life in prison or the death penalty.”

“The chief difference between words and deeds is that words are always intended for men for their approbation, but deeds can be done only for God.”

Leo Tolstoy, Russian novelist and playwright, 1828-1910
Paterno knew better, so should fans

On Oct. 29, Penn State University’s legendary head football coach Joe Paterno made history by earning his 409th win, defeating the University of Illinois 19-7. He now holds the record for most wins in Division I college football history.

But does that even matter anymore?

Former Penn State defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky was arrested Nov. 5 with charges of 40 criminal counts including sexually assaulting eight young boys over the course of 15 years.

According to the Pennsylvania attorney general’s report, in 2002, Mike McQueary, then a Penn State graduate assistant, witnessed Sandusky performing anal intercourse on a boy in the bathroom of the football locker room. He then contacted Paterno about the matter, and the two met at Paterno’s home the next day to discuss the situation.

Paterno then informed Penn State’s athletic director Tim Curley on what McQueary had seen. Curley then passed the story onto the university’s senior vice president for finance and business, Gary Schultz.

Curley and Schultz told McQueary, who is now the receivers’ coach for the Nittany Lions, that they would look into it. And that was it.

For 46 years, “Joe Pa” ran a highly respected football program at Penn State. His teams were disciplined, and he was viewed as a clean-cut and traditional coach. From his black Nike shoes, to his thick-rimmed spectacles, Paterno is one of the most recognizable figures in college sports.

Many believed that Paterno embodied what all college football coaches should be like. As my dad says, “He’s [Paterno’s] the guy that did it right.”

But I find it extremely difficult to have any respect for someone who consciously knew that a grown man allegedly had been sexually molesting innocent young boys for 15 years, because that certainly is not right.

It is mind-boggling, and quite frankly, astonishing to see how much power a football coach can have at a university. Paterno allegedly chose not to take further action on the information McQueary had given him because Sandusky was his pal, his colleague, his friend.

Paterno could have spoken up. He could have been honest. He could have defended those young children and their families. He could have stood up for what was right. He could have done something.

But instead, he chose to act like a cowardly lion in order to protect one of his own Nittany Lions.

How does someone who is a father and a grandfather keep this information quiet? Where is his paternal instincts?

Yes, the student organization THON, Penn State’s version of Dance Marathon, claims to be the largest student-run philanthropy in the world. Yes, The Wall Street Journal recently listed Penn State as No. 1 in the country for corporate job preparation. These statistics are fantastic. Job well done to the university!

But at the end of the day, Penn State ultimately is recognized nationally as a school with a diehard football program, whose coach once epitomized the morality, honesty and integrity of college athletics.

So please, Penn State fans, stop being so naive and ignorant on Paterno’s alleged role in this matter.

Please refrain from rioting outside of his home out of “support.” It only strengthens the argument that the school is a football-obsessed institution, which is not what you want people to think, right?

Just know that the most powerful man of “Happy Valley” could have put his authority to good use, and prevented this disaster that will go down as possibly the greatest scandal in college sports history.

So about that 409th win, eh?

Immigration invaluable

Immigration has always been an issue in America. It has been frowned upon by many citizens around our great nation and many laws have been created in order to regulate it. However, this October, Dayton publicized its plan to favor immigration and welcome diversity into our city. I feel that this is brilliant idea.

I have grown up in the Dayton community since birth and I have experienced our beloved city decline tremendously. Foreclosures of homes and businesses relocating to different areas have left our city with almost nothing. Because of this economic decline, many people have to drive 15 to 20 minutes just to do their grocery shopping.

Welcoming immigrants in Dayton will help our city get back on track and grow into the strong community that it once was years ago.

Many people in the Dayton community favor this transition for our city. For example, in an Oct. 6 article in the Dayton Daily News, Dayton Police Chief Richard Beil was quoted saying that some immigrant-friendly communities have lower crime rates than non immigrant-friendly areas and that he knows of no link connecting illegal immigrants to higher crime. This fact can have a positive influence on making the Dayton environment safer and more secure to its inhabitants.

In addition to the support of the police chief, Mayor Gary Leitzell also is in favor of the immigration plan. He, too, is quoted in the Dayton Daily News article about his belief that welcoming immigrants into the city will give the community a greater sense of equality and civility that might attract more inhabitants around the United States. Although there still will be strict regulations on who is allowed into the country, he wishes for Dayton to be a safe and welcoming place where immigrants can reside as they strive to provide a better life for their families.

I agree with the mayor’s ideas and beliefs most of all. I believe that because immigrants are in America, equality and humanity should be presented to all since we, the citizens, are a representation of our country. The more diverse a city is, the more the community will grow and attract other inhabitants because of the social acceptance. Despite concerns of overpopulation or an even bigger decrease in available job opportunities, people need to understand that more opportunities will only come to Dayton if it continues to grow in population, not decrease.

As students at the University of Dayton, we often speak of being a close Mariannist community. We should desire the social acceptance within our small community to expand to the city of Dayton in order to create a stronger environment. Accepting people into our city – no matter their race, religion or ethnic background – is the only way to bring our falling city back to the top.

Halloween weekend 2011 was an interesting experience for most. Even as seniors, my housemates and I experienced a first: having one of our glass windows punched through while we were out of the house. It was a rather important window too, keeping people from simply reaching into our house and opening the door to enter in.

We returned in enough time to see the damage, prevent any more break-ins and notify Public Safety, who reacted swiftly to apprehend these individuals at the scene. For that, I extend many thanks. I would also like to thank the Facilities Management staff member who arrived to remove the remaining glass and put up a board until new glass could be installed. Without a doubt, the process was smooth and resolved within an hour.

A week after the incident, however, my housemates and I received an email stating that we were in violation of “Environmental Disrepair” as stated in the Student Code of Conduct, and therefore, we were charged for the cost of the window repairs. This particular section, section 6 in the document, states that it is prohibited to vandalize or damage property, regardless of intent. For the record, we intended to keep our windows and doors intact. My housemates and I certainly did not violate this principle, as we had not personally stuck our fists through glass.

Receiving an email stating that we had indeed committed such an act surprised me.

The Code of Conduct also states that the disciplinary experience, including fines and charges, is in place to “make clear…the limits of acceptable behavior” and give students a chance to “understand the expectations of living in community.”

The behavior exhibited by my housemates and myself was without a doubt acceptable as our actions prevented further damage and potentially stopped other similar instances from occurring that night.

The charges fail to consider the following: We were not present when the act was committed, we notified Public Safety when a statement was taken, individuals were apprehended and all was accomplished in an orderly fashion. This is not a case of indoor football gone wrong.

At the beginning of the housing lottery process, all University of Dayton students living in a UD-owned house had to sign a housing contract, which holds them responsible for loss or damage to their residence. I would posit that this is applicable in instances where indoor football really was the cause of damage, not where police reports were filed and the residents cooperated with all involved parties on the night of the incident.

Additionally, if a UD student brings guests onto campus, and those guests cause damage, doesn’t responsibility fall to the student hosting these people, rather than the victims of damage?

From this entire experience, I suggest to the appropriate persons to reevaluate the current system of administering charges to the responsible parties. I know that other UD students have experienced similar charges in the past. Or better yet, create a budget for incurred damages such as these, rather than provide funds for superficial aesthetics like spray-painted brick.
Women’s Basketball

UD gets team effort in season-opening rout of Bowling Green

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The University of Dayton women’s basketball team wasted no time testing itself against tough competition in its season opener.

A balanced scoring effort led the Flyers to a 69-38 win against Bowling Green State University Friday, Nov. 11, at UD Arena.

BG SU is the defending Mid-American Conference champions and have won at least 20 games in eight consecutive seasons.

UD head coach Jim Jabir said the regular-season opening performance was encouraging.

“It’s a release,” said Jabir about playing the first game of the year. “We have a lot of respect for Bowling Green. You never know how you’ll show up, but I was really pleased with our effort for the most part.”

BG SU held an opening 4-3 advantage early in the contest, but the Flyers went on a 19-2 run to take control.

The Flyers’ lead would not be less than 12 the rest of the game.

“I think we did a good job defending the ball in the backcourt and making them (BG SU) earn everything they got,” Jabir said. “I think when we relaxed, they took advantage of it, and then when we put it back on them, they didn’t have an answer.”

UD senior forward Justine Raterman had 12 rebounds to go along with seven points.

Senior guard Patrice Lapor was the lone double-digit scorer of the first half with 10 points. She finished with a game-high 15 points.

Junior guard Chrsissy Steffen, a preseason All-MAC player, scored 10 points and had eight rebounds for BG SU.

Dayton held BG SU to just 24.6 percent shooting from the floor and out-rebounded the Falcons 32-42.

Jabir said he was unhappy about the team’s turnovers and he did not see some things on the court from his team that he was looking for.

“You weren’t as sharp as we want to be, we passed up some shots,” he said.

“Offensively, we didn’t run as hard as I wanted to run … Quite frankly, even though they only scored 39 points, I thought they got too many layups that were uncontested and at the end of the game, they got jump shots that were uncontested and that’s not acceptable.”

On Sunday, Nov. 13, the Flyers then lost 61-51 to the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio. UD only scored five points in the first 15:30 of the game and finished 15-56 shooting from the floor for the game.

The game at Toledo was the first on a five-game road trip for the Flyers before returning to UD Arena on Dec. 4 against Boston College.

The Flyers next face the University of Cincinnati at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16. The game can be seen on Fox Sports Ohio.

Rowing

Dayton wins dual race at Ohio State, complete fall season

STAFF REPORT

The University of Dayton women’s rowing team claimed many victories against the Ohio State University and University of Cincinnati club teams at the Ohio State Club Dual Meet Saturday, Nov. 12 in Columbus, Ohio.

The Flyers had a team finish in first place in three of the four levels competed at during the regatta and had a second-place finisher at every level.

The Flyers first and second Varsity 8 squads finished in the top two positions, finishing with times of 14:19 and 15:07, respectively. It is the second victory for the Flyers first squad this season, with the other also coming in Columbus at the Speckman Memorial Regatta on Oct. 15.

The Dayton Varsity 4 squads one-upped the eight teams by taking the top three spots in its level. UD’s first Varsity 4 squad finished the race with a time of 16:07 for the win.

The second Varsity 4 and third Varsity 4 squads followed in second and third with times of 16:37 and 17:11, respectively.

UD’s Novice 8 was the lone level in which the Flyers did not claim victory, finishing in second with a time of 18:09. The Novice 4 teams swept the top two spots in its level with times of 18:06 and 19:21, respectively.

The meet wrapped up the fall schedule for the team. The Flyers will return to competition in the spring at the Oak Ridge Invitational March 17 and March 18 in Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Men’s Basketball

Kavanaugh, Benson lead Dayton’s second half charge

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A second half defensive stranglehold led the University of Dayton men’s basketball team to a victory in the 2011-2012 regular season opener against Western Illinois University Saturday, Nov. 12, at UD Arena.

Dayton held WIU to 5-for-26 shooting for 19 percent in the second half while also scoring 46 points in that half on the way to an 87-58 win. The 29-point margin of victory was the largest opening-game margin of victory since UD beat Florida A&M University 89-58 on Nov. 30, 1996.

Redshirt junior forward Josh Benson and junior forward Matt Kavanaugh sustained the Flyers offensively. Benson led all scorers with 21 points – a career high – and grabbed four rebounds. Kavanaugh netted 15 points – which tied his career high – and had seven total rebounds, including five offensive boards. He also had three assists.

First-year head coach Archie Miller said the performance of the two local products was not surprising to him. According to Miller, Kavanaugh and Benson play every day in practice as they did Saturday.

“I wasn’t here in the past, so I can’t even tell you what Kavanaugh looked like before he played a game for me,” Miller said. “I just told those guys on the radio that everything Josh Benson and Matt Kavanaugh do, they do in practice. They don’t look any different to me than they do in the game.”

Redshirt senior guard Josh Parker said Kavanaugh worked hard before the regular season and Saturday’s game was a reflection of that.

“Kav is a hard worker,” Parker said. “He comes in early working out hard and stays after practice to get extra work in. So him playing the way he’s playing is on him.”

The Flyers continued their hot shooting from the exhibition season in shooting 50 percent from the field in the first half. Defensively, Dayton allowed Western Illinois guards to drive to the basket and get high-percentage shots. The Leathernecks shot 65 percent from the field as a team in the first half and almost stayed even with a 14-13 rebounding margin against the taller Flyers.

Miller said UD’s perimeter defense was not getting the necessary pressure to slow down the Western Illinois offense. He also said the team’s off-ball defense was “poor” in the first half.

Benson said the players didn’t need Miller to tell them about the defensive effort. They knew.

“In the first half, we didn’t play very good defensively,” Benson said. “We as a unit knew that and we went to the locker room. We got ourselves together, we knew this is not Dayton basketball, this is not how we defend. Came out the second half and got it done.”

UD turned the game around in the second half. The Flyers opened the half on a 19-5 run in the first eight and half minutes. Dayton never looked back from its 60-43 lead.

The defense held WIU to 20 points in the second half and the offense shot 64.5 percent from the field. Dayton never let the Leathernecks get closer than 15 points for the rest of the game. A jumper from sophomore forward Devin Oliver gave the Flyers an 87-53 lead, the team’s largest lead of the night, with 1:49 remaining in the game.

From the 9:28 mark to 4:43 left in the game, Benson scored eight points for the Flyers, mostly on dunks and layups. Senior guard Paul Williams gave the Flyers 10 points off the bench in the half. He finished the game with 15 points.

The new offensive system was the cause for the spark, according to Benson.

“There’s a lot of moving, a lot of motion involved,” he said. “When you least expect it, that’s when someone will pop open. I think it’s a real good asset for our team and it’s a real good system because it can utilize our talents more and it brings everybody’s talents out.”

Dayton had four players score in double figures – Benson, Kavanaugh, Williams and Parker. Senior forward Chris Johnson finished with eight points and 10 rebounds.

The Flyers will play Miami University at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at John D. Millet Hall in Oxford, Ohio.
Women's Soccer

Season ends in stunning first round NCAA defeat

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Sports Editor

The University of Dayton women's soccer team lost 2-0 in the first round of the NCAA tournament to the University of Louisville Saturday, Nov. 12, in Louisville, Ky. For the team's six seniors, it was the last contest in a career that won more games, 69, than any other four-year class in program history.

The weather played a factor in the game, according to Dayton head coach Mike Tucker. There was a strong wind that gusted against the Flyers in the first half. But, Tucker said it died down in the second half.

"The wind was a huge factor," he said. "And unfortunately, it died down a lot throughout the game. It was an incredible factor in the first half. It was still a factor in the second half, but not nearly as strong as it was earlier."

Dayton finished the season with a 19-4-0 record and fell behind in the first half after senior defender Katie McDonald put Louisville up 1-0 in the 35th minute. The Cardinals had a corner kick and after the ball bounced between the two teams in front of the goal box several times, McDonald's foot found the ball and the ball found the net.

UD senior defender Kathleen Beljan said the Flyers weren't worried about being down at halftime.

"Even going down one goal in the first half, we were pretty happy with that," she said. "We were confident we were going to be able to come back from that. Things just didn't work out in the second half for us, I guess."

Dayton had plenty of opportunities throughout the game with 18 shots and seven on goal. The Flyers just didn't take advantage, Tucker said.

Junior forward Colleen Williams and freshman forward Kelsey Smigel, Dayton's leading scorers on the season, both had four shots and two shots on goal in the game. Williams and Smigel came close to goals on several occasions.

Louisville scored again in the 70th minute when the Dayton defense allowed sophomore midfielder Angelika Uremovich to get the ball behind the defense and dribble to the left side of the field. She then took a shot from 20 yards out that got past UD sophomore goalkeeper Jordin Melchert.

The Flyers pressed for the rest of the game trying to get back into the game. Many offensive chances were stopped short due to quick shots. Beljan said the Flyers didn't have any other options late in the game.

"I think when it got down to 10 minutes, I think, left on the clock we were a little frantic," she said. "But, being down two goals, like we had to get everything that we could."

Tucker said the Dayton defense focused on Louisville sophomore forward Christine Exeter, who scored 14 goals this season. In the end, it turned out McDonald, who scored her second goal of the season in the game, and Uremovich, who netted her fourth goal of the season, beat the Flyers.

After the game, Tucker said his talk to the team was heartfelt and true.

"The message to the team was that I could not be more proud as a coach of a team," he said. "I love them as a group and I love about how they go about doing things. We may have lost on the scoreboard, but I wouldn't trade them for any other group and that's what I told them."

Beljan was emotional after the game. She said after winning the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament, which she called the highlight of her career, losing in the first round was difficult to handle.

"It just kind of sucks because it's just one game and it's all over," she said. "My senior class, we've been best friends for the past four years, so it's hard to say goodbye to everything. And so at the end of the game, we couldn't even get anything out."