THE STATE OF RACE AT UD
Past, present students critically examine campus racial climate

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“This conversation doesn’t matter.”
That’s what University of Dayton 1992 alumna Veronica Morris told students, faculty, staff and Dayton community members in Kennedy Union Torch Lounge at the alumni session of the university’s first symposium on race. She explained her statement by asking for a show of hands.

“How many board of trustees do we have sitting here today?” No one raised a hand. “How many key executive management staff do we have sitting here today?” No one raised a hand. “How many people manage the multimillion dollar budgets that the University of Dayton operates on sitting here today?” No one raised a hand.

“I don’t mean to put it as bluntly or as negatively as that, but this conversation doesn’t matter because where you allocate your dollars is where your thoughts and where your energies are centered,” she continued.

Expanding “the who’s” involved in the race conversation was the vision of the symposium “Critical Examination of Our Times: The State of Race on the University of Dayton Campus. As marketed, the symposium “seeks to educate, inform, and bring to the forefront conversations of race on campus.”

“Race” in this case is the differential treatment between “white” and “black” people. Skin color is genetically determined by the concentration in the skin of a pigment called melanin. It doesn’t have any biological effect on us, besides the visible difference in skin—and maybe our susceptibility to sunburn. But the way a society has treated these differences over the course of history—in court cases, art, science, informal and formal laws—makes “white” and “black” mean more than a variation in genes. The way music, movies, teachers, historians, politicians, parents, friends portray the difference of skin color can mold how we act and think toward each other and ourselves.

The “Engaging the Past” panel, on which Morris spoke, served as an opportunity for local black alum to speak candidly on their own past racial experiences on campus. It followed a panel of students who presented their research on the impact of race on their academic experience in the fall. It followed a panel of students who presented their research on the history of race through UD and Dayton publications, as well as one student’s findings from summer 2015 focus groups. A faculty session and a session discussing solutions and next steps also shared perspectives.

Later that same evening, Interim Provost Paul Benson would deliver a keynote address, but the symposium started the night before with an overview of the three days and the university’s annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. speech.

Urban ethnographer Elijah Anderson, Ph.D., told stories from his life and presented sociological definitions of spaces in his Jan. 26 address, “The ‘White Space,’ the ‘Black Space’ and the ‘Cosmopolitan Canopy.’” He defined “black space” as what most people consider “the iconic ghetto” or “the hood.” White people generally avoid black spaces, but black people are forced to navigate white spaces—spaces like our university campus “as a condition of their existence.”

Anderson talked about his own beginnings in “the black space,” born on a former plantation to a 20-year-old mother and a father with a fourth-grade level of education, who Anderson said fought in WWII but wasn’t remembered like the white soldiers of that war.

He shared another story about an 18-year-old boy named Ralph, who he interviewed during his time in Philadelphia while teaching at the University of Pennsylvania. Ralph attended a private, wealthy, dominantly white school and played on the soccer team, on which he was the only black player. During one of the games, an opposing player called him the N-word.

The referee shrugged. His coach and his teammates ignored it. The opposing player who threw the word at him approached Ralph’s mother—the only black woman in the stands—after the game to tell her that her son was in the wrong.

This is what Anderson referred to as the “n----r moment,” a “moment of acute disrespect” to one’s sense of humanness. Anderson also called this moment “a minority moment.” It can happen to anyone—a Catholic, a gay person, a woman”—“but black people in this country have a history of racial injury.” As do many black students, faculty and staff who have walked or are walking UD’s campus.

When alumna LaShea Smith and her roommate went out her first night on campus in 1987, Smith was attacked by one such moment.

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From top left: Kwynn Townsend-Riley, Dr. Elijah Anderson, Dr. Andrew Evwaraye, Camila Robles, Dr. Denise James, and Veronica Morris (L) and LaShea Smith (R) talk on the state of race at the University of Dayton. Chris Santucci/Multimedia Editor
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*Cover cutout: Bro. Tom puts his cane in the air for Tenth Avenue North at Faith Fest Feb. 6 at the RecPlex.
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Armstrong broke through two slabs of concrete during her black belt test. Photo courtesy of Rachel Armstrong.

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“I’d ask, what do you really want the future of your body to be? A campus? Or a community?” — Veronica Morris, Class of ’92

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LIVE features Francesca Blanchard, a

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Your ultimate guide to Valentine’s Day movies

When Harry Met Sally

Crazy, Stupid, Love

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BINGE WATCHING

Friends with Benefits

Watch if: you have found a half-decent couple of rom

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You have found a happy medium of sappy romancing

Titanic

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cruise after excuse as to why you are not spending the day
together, but, the truth is, they’re just not that into you.
If you’re like me, you are always looking for new music. Here is a little known fact: There’s an organization that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that broadens the experience of the University of Dayton in an immersive and authentic way. Carr states that ArtsLIVE is outside of their typical taste or comfort zone. Carr states that ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself. ArtsLIVE is a program that hosts performances by mainly professional artists in a live setting, all while expanding your worldview and maybe even learning something about yourself.

One of the big checkmarks for me was the music. I had previously heard of the performer, but I hadn’t had the chance to see them perform live. I was so excited to see them play live, and it did not disappoint. The crowd was amazing, and everyone was singing along with the music.

As I left the performance, I felt like I had gained a new perspective on the world. I felt like I had learned something new, and I was excited to share that knowledge with others.

In conclusion, ArtsLIVE is a wonderful program that I highly recommend. If you have the opportunity to attend a performance, I would encourage you to do so. You won’t be disappointed, and you will gain a new perspective on the world.
Reigniting an open discussion about race

The conversation surrounding race was reignited in mainstream America in 2015. In (nearly) every major news organization, police shootings (among other, very public events) were used as a catalyst for conversations about race. As Anderson said, “police paperwork is always a signal that something is wrong. While Obama’s presidency was reignited in mainstream media, we’re with and how we react to it. How do you feel the university has addressed the multiple shootings of unarmed black men by white police officers? Was there a space in for a discussion? We need to work out these connotations and have a discussion about the topic. It’s a conversation worth having, for a minimum of reason."

Bradley Petrella
Junior Communication

“Racism is [woman’s] gravest threat to [woman] – he’s been frustrated by the same.” –Abraham Joshua Heschel, 1967 - 1972

Missy Finnegan
Communication

Andrew Kowitt
Alumni, Class of 2015

A recent study conducted by Pew Research Center in Wash., DC, was published earlier this year. The authors of the study found that nearly half of African-American adults believe that the way African Americans are treated in America is different from the way the country treats other races. The study, which was conducted among a sample of 1,000 African-American adults, found that 49% of respondents believe that African Americans are treated differently from non-African Americans. The study also found that 60% of respondents believe that African Americans are treated differently from other races in various aspects of American society. The study is the latest in a series of surveys conducted by Pew Research Center to examine the experiences of African Americans in America. The results of the study suggest that African Americans continue to experience discrimination and that these experiences are not limited to individual interactions, but are also reflected in broader attitudes and beliefs. The study provides important insights into the ongoing need for continued dialogue and action to address the challenges faced by African Americans in America.
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When Flyer News asked students this week’s Word on the Street question, “How do you feel the university has addressed racial issues this year?” we received a variety of responses that ranged from “confusing” to “nothing.” Three said they had not thought about the question, and three said they did not want to work out these connotations anymore. We understand that it can be hard. It can be hard to talk about something without knowing how to use it. It can be hard to understand something you might never experience. It can be hard when you listen to others and see how you are not the same as others seeing.

National media attention on racial tensions, Flyer News columns, and the Student Government’s “The State of Race in the UD Campus” symposium have started the conversation about the issue in a way UD students and UD faculty have not in the past. When you are “white” and treat from the conversation, you can leave and pick up whatever it rains you. When you are “black,” you are living the conversation every day — whether you want to be part of it or not.

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Writer leaves colorblind comfort zone

JEN LIPFAT
Junior, Human Rights

After attending the "Critical Ex-
amination of Our Time: The State of the Race at the University of Dayton Campus" symposium, I found myself reflecting on how I handle colorblindness.

It’s not that I’ve never stepped into the shoes of someone who is not white. I’ve felt the pressure of being a minority and know what it is like to be an outsider. But, I’ve never really felt comfortable talking about race and I have never even discussed it. In fact, my mother told me that while growing up she never realized how much colorblindness is a part of society. Without realizing, people can unknowingly brush colorblindness under the rug or we can simply brush it under the table.

It was at this symposium where I first realized that I had been living in a colorblind comfort zone. It was disheartening to think that I was part of that colorblind culture, even though I cared greatly about the issue.

The problem is not that race exists, but rather that it has created an unspoken tension between those who do not share the same skin color as you. This tension is not the result of any overt actions or policies, but instead is a result of how we perceive each other and the society we live in.

On most job applications, it is required that an applicant identify their race. Of course, this is not a widespread practice, but it is often seen as a way to understand the diversity of a workforce. In the case of the Flyer News staff, we are asked to identify our race on our Sloan forms, which is part of our hiring processes. Even though this is a small step, it is a step towards acknowledging the issue.

It is important to be intentional about our discussions of race. By acknowledging its presence, we can start to move towards a more inclusive society. It will always be a work in progress, but by understanding the history and present of race, we can begin to move towards a better future.

This Flyer attempt is our first, but we hope to continue to learn and grow from our mistakes.

INSANITY MUST STOP.

Sudoku

Flyers take it day-by-day in preparation for 2016 season

EDWARD PEREZ
Staff Writer

The Dayton Flyers baseball team begins its season this weekend as its members prepare for the upcoming 2016 season. The NCAA gives teams the opportunity to participate in a pre-season tournament, and this year the Flyers have been selected to participate in the Green Bay Classic. In preparation for the Green Bay Classic, the Flyers practiced throughout the fall and are currently at .500 in the Atlantic-10.

The Flyers will play their first game at 4:00 p.m. on Friday against Valparaiso University. The Flyers will then face off against the University of Dayton Flyers, and then finally against the University of Dayton Flyers. The Flyers will then travel to Green Bay, Wisconsin to face off against Valparaiso University and the University of Dayton Flyers.

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With regards to the overall team, the Flyers are excited to see how this year will turn out. The Flyers are currently at .500 in the Atlantic-10, and they hope to improve on that this season. The Flyers are looking to make it to the NCAA tournament, and they hope to continue their success from last season.

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While we try to recover from the puzzle, we thought this Flyer News’ Sudoku puzzles is neither funny nor cute. We speak of creating the racial structure, the person who was responsible for any of our actions and not just those of others. We try to understand what is the appropriate role of the state in society.

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One of the main issues with Sanders is all of the ‘free’ things he wants to provide Americans. How can you justify spending billions of dollars on programs when we are already trillions of dollars in debt?

The Dayton Flyers baseball team is currently in 2016 season. The NCAA goes in years, and the Dayton Flyers are currently in 2016. The NCAA goes in years, and the Dayton Flyers are currently oriented than results-oriented this year. We were built on principles like free enterprise.

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Another thing to consider about the Dayton Flyers team is the team's success in the 2016 season. The team's success in the 2016 season is a result of the team's hard work and dedication to the game.

"I'm definitely going to miss being around my teammates. I think we all get along and the memories we've made on and off the field," Haynes said. "But I'm really excited to be able to leave everything on the field this year and hopefully make history at the end of the year and look back on this championship."
NFL must do better job of monitoring head injuries

According to the Mayo Clinic, a concussion is “a traumatic brain injury that alters the way your brain functions. Effects are usually temporary but can include problems with concentration, memory, balance and coordination.”

A concussion can occur in different ways, most common, or obvious one, being through head-to-head contact. Head-to-head contact used to be a proving issue in the NFL before they implemented a rule in 2015 decreasing the number of concussions.

Still, there are plenty of other ways one can receive a concussion.

The way something hits your head can be an issue. A player who is hit too hard in a places like his lower body can hit the ground, causing his head to snap to the ground. The added force from this whiplash can cause a concussion.

The worst part that a player might not even know he has a concussion at that time, as concussions can vary in strength. Thankfully, the NFL has taken steps to rectify that matter as well, adding new additional measures to consultants to oversee game situations.

In a concussion, players still find themselves sidelined with concussions. While it is likely impossible to stop concussions from occurring completely, we should have a goal to see a downward trend in the number of concussions overall.

A chronic traumatic encephalopathy, or CTE, has been an issue for years now. The NFL has suffered through documented concussions, three of which came on a single day, nine months apart, and two of them within those three days. It doesn’t take too long to realize that many concussions in such a short amount of time are an issue.

For Keenan’s situation, he’s already other players in the past, played through a concussion, and continued to have what the NFL received a red of for this Keenan risked significant brain damage by continuing to play.

Many people downplay the seriousness of concussions and the damage that can occur to players still find themselves sidelined with concussions.

In reality however, the problem can be much worse further down the road. Concussions and repetitive hits to the head can eventually affect the brain.

The movie “Concussion”-- starring Will Smith (pictured above) -- has helped some players realize the importance of protecting their head. The concussion but at least the NFL is taking the pressing issue in the NFL before different ways, the most common, and, with more technology, analysis is currently possible.

With concussions in the NFL, constantly fluctuating, players performing with multiple concussions and head injuries, the numbers going back years before are even more in place, it still is hard to prevent much as a week.

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This game gave the Flyers their fourth win in a row, and improved their record to 7-5 in conference play and 10-7 overall. They are tied for fourth in the Atlantic 10 standings with Virginia Commonwealth, who is also 7-1 in conference play this year.

What’s happened during the past couple games we hit our stride to get acclimated to those roles, the team’s said Head coach, Greg Macioce in double figures for that game were junior center Sidney Atkinson, senior Jeff Brown, sophomore guard Hunter Pare, and redshirt freshman, Mike Bruce.

At the end of this year, 273 concussions were reported, compared to 280 concussions last year. The numbers going back to 2012 and 2013 was 261 and 229, respectively.

This year, Macioce said last week. “We're able to get our younger players in the game and get some experience.”

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The Dayton basketball team hosted Hofstra University at 7 p.m. Tuesday at UD Arena.
UD ALUMNI

Sport management helps alum’s Cameroon soccer program

DANIEL MASSA
Sports Editor

A University of Dayton alumnus with a civil engineering degree is in his sixth year of leading the Cameroon Football Development Program (CFDP), a grassroots youth soccer organization in the central African nation.

What might seem like an odd pairing of education and professional career has been nothing short of a perfect match for Justin Forzano, class of 2008.

He has now also enlisted the help of a UD sport management class that is in the process of creating and operating a campus charity soccer tournament. The tournament is scheduled for April 17 on Stuart Field, and there will be a small fee for each team. All proceeds will go to the CFDP.

Forzano created the Cameroon Football Development Program in 2010 after spending three years in the engineering business after graduation, and has served as its CEO ever since. His first experience in Cameroon came in the form of a 2006 summer trip to the country with the UD engineering department’s Engineers in Technical Humanitarian Opportunities of Service (ETHOS) program.

He traveled there with the program every summer from 2006-08, and led a project focused on creating a gravity-fed water system for the small village of Barombi Mbo.

But Forzano quickly noticed how prevalent soccer—or football as it is known throughout the rest of the world—was in the nation, and decided to do his part in contributing to the area’s love for the game.

“The second year I went to Cameroon I got a bag of jerseys to bring,” Forzano said in an exclusive interview with Flyer News. “The third year I went to Cameroon I got a bag of boots (soccer cleats), and some jerseys and soccer balls, but a whole suitcase full of soccer shoes.

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“Coming back to the U.S., and wanting to stay connected to Cameroon... This was the natural sort of progression,” he said.

After weighing the option of entering the water development sector in Cameroon, Forzano decided to focus on growing youth participation in organized soccer. Thus, the CFDP was born.

It currently has U.S. offices in Pittsburgh and a local headquarters in Kumba, Cameroon.

The program focuses on trying to develop the whole person using soccer as a vehicle for communicating important life lessons. One of the CFDP’s tenants is its +7 Soccer Values system, which includes: Be prepared; be a team player; educate yourself; show respect for all; elevate your community; play fair and become a role model.

CFDP strives to see those seven values embodied during each game, and teams receive points in their league standings for adhering to each value. For example, if a team follows the play fair rule, the team gets points for following the play fair rule.

The program also wants those values to be lived out in all aspects of the kids’ lives. “You’re not going to cheat, you’re not going to fight, no dissent,” Forzano said. “The short-term is, ‘Do they accept them and embody them on the field?’ The longer-term goal is, ‘Can they apply them to their life? Do kids come on time for school? Are they prepared for school?’”

Forzano’s vision has quickly evolved in scope, with operations in five communities encompassing two different regions of Cameroon. CFDP has also received a total of $60,000 in funding, $30,000 in both 2016 and 2017, from FIFA, the world’s most powerful soccer governing body, as part of its Football for Hope campaign. It also already received $200,000 for 2015 in its first year of eligibility for FIFA funding.

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The program served 570 youth in 2015, compared to 120 in 2012.

Sport management majors in Professor Zachary Sanford’s Sport in the Global Community course have been tasked with pinning down the details of the tournament assisting the CFDP, such as how many players will be on each team and the tournament’s playing format.

Senior sport management major Randy Johnson has served as a liaison between Forzano and the sport management program since the beginning of this school year, laying the ground work for the tournament and getting word out about the CFDP.

Johnson took the course last year, its first year running the tournament, and found a lack of communication between the class and Forzano hindered the tournament from being a more productive operation.

“I was just sort of adopted into the role,” Johnson said. “We had the project laid out for us, we got broken up into groups, and then there was sort of like a lag time. [I thought], ‘I should probably contact Justin, no one’s done this yet.’ I was the main contact between him and the rest of the class.”

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