



VIDEO GAMES CONNECT TWO BROTHERS



(ABOVE) Dale Eley uses the video game controller his brother, Brad Eley, designed. (BELOW) A photo of the controller Eley and a team of UD marketing majors will be marketing to Sony. PHOTOS BY UD MEDIA RELATIONS



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Dale Eley is your average 7-year-old kid who loves to play sports videogames, almost anything with basketball, football, or wrestling on the PlayStation 2.

Dale also struggles with triplegia, where he suffers from paralysis of three limbs, in particular his legs and right arm.

Dale loves videogames, but became frustrated when he struggled to use the remote.

Brad Eley, a 2012 mechanical engineering graduate, was inspired to design a remote controller that would help children like his brother Dale play videogames with more ease.

"Teamwork and time are what helped to come up with the design," said Eley.

Eley worked with several other engineering students, who together helped to create a controller that helped Dale play his favorite videogames.

The creation of the device wasn't easy. The group had to find a product that Dale was "comfortable using [and] that didn't give [him] a lot of resistance," Eley said.

The result was rewarding when they found a design that "would not only be fun for Dale to use, [but] that he could also use as a therapy device," Eley said.

The console will work with the PlayStation 2 and should also work well with the Play Station 3, Eley said, as long as they get the correct adaptor for the design.

Jay Janney, a management and marketing professor, helped Eley get students together to develop a

business plan.

Janney also worked with Mark Zimmerman, a junior marketing and design major and Cole Aston, a junior entrepreneurship and finance major, to come up with a plan to market the product.

Both students were thrilled with the idea of helping with such a project, Zimmerman said it was "... interesting, because [he] would be working with video games while helping a disabled child."

Currently, Janney, Aston and Zimmerman, along with other business students, are working to market the product with Sony.

Having Sony approve the item will increase its marketability, Janney said.

"With Sony's approval, we can go ahead and get it manufactured, market it and sell it," Aston said.

So far, Sony has not given an answer on the design, but Janney is confident Sony will come through, as Sony has licensed other products designed by outside designers.

Because Eley has done much of the design work along with his team of engineers, Janney says, this greatly decreases the overall cost of the product for Sony.

Marketing aside, the team said on of the most rewarding aspects of the product was how Dale loved the prototype.

"He was loving the controller and everyone had smiles on," Aston said.

Dale came to test out the new controller design in Kettering Labs.

Aston said he "want[s] the most rewarding element now to be everyone that needs this controller to have access to it."

LOCAL

INJURED DOG RECEIVES HONOR

Montgomery County officials awarded the #1 Dog Tag to a collie who was believed to be injured in a car crash Jan. 23. The dog, affectionately named "Crash," suffered two broken legs after being found on Interstate 75 by a local resident.

Information from whiotv.com

SPECIAL ED TEACHER ASSAULTS STUDENT

A 16-year-old impaired student was assaulted by his teacher Tuesday, Jan. 29 at Meadowville High School. The teacher, Georgia Cox, punched the student with a closed fist as he ate breakfast in the cafeteria. Cox has been charged with assault as a caretaker on a functionally impaired victim, which is a fourth degree felony.

Information from Dayton Daily News

THE TICKER



Junior forward Devin Oliver, center, hangs his head during Dayton's 66-61 loss to rival Xavier on Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Cintas Center in Cincinnati. ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/ MANAGING EDITOR

CAMPUS

HONORS ART SHOW

The University Honors Program will host a reception for the Annual Honors Art Show from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1 in Alumni Hall. The event is open to the community.

SERVICE PLUNGE

Campus Ministry invites students who have traveled abroad, participated in an immersion experience or gone on a service trip to learn about community outreach programs in Dayton all day Saturday, Feb. 2. The event is \$15 for participants. Questions about location and other details can be directed to Campus Ministry at 937-229-3339.

SIGMA CHI APPEALS

Sigma Chi is appealing its two-year suspension, according to information obtained from the Greek Community Meeting.

Flyer News will continue to cover this story as it develops.

NEWS

TEXAS WOMAN'S EXECUTION POSTPONED

A Texas judge recently delayed the execution by lethal injection of Kimberly McCarthy, 51, after her lawyer successfully appealed for delay. McCarthy has been in jail since 1997 for stabbing her elderly neighbor. She will be the first woman executed in the U.S. in more than two years. Her execution is scheduled for April 3.

Information from LA Times

"GIRL MEETS WORLD" STAR CHOSEN

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Information from MTV.com

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FLOOR LIMITS TEMPORARY

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Managing Editor

The new occupancy limits for University of Dayton-owned housing will be temporary, according to university president Daniel Curran.

"I want to say that this is temporary," Curran said. "This limit is temporary."

In a Sunday, Jan. 27, address to the Student Government Association, Curran expressed discontent with the policy, calling it "a reaction to what had happened."

"I just want to come here as the president and just tell you first of all that I'm not comfortable with the policy," Curran said, "and in terms of the actual capacities I didn't even see them until Friday night – when I requested the numbers."

The university president expressed the need to find and make repairs to houses that are not in long-term condition.

"I think this requires some rethinking on the part of the administration," Curran said. "The

research will be conducted. If the houses are in that shape, then the houses will be replaced. We will aggressively move to replace the houses. This will become the housing priority for the university."

On Tuesday, Jan. 29, the university announced it intended to inspect and reinforce the floors in 301 university houses as a "precautionary measure."

The process began on Wednesday, and is expected to conclude on or before Friday, Feb. 8. SGA president Emily Kaylor predicted the process would take about two months, and the university stated it likely will raise the occupancy limits after the completion of the work.

There have been five known floor incidents in university housing since 2010. On Jan. 19, the main floors of 1522 Frericks Way and 118 Lawnview Ave. broke during separate parties.

Later that week, the residents of 218 Kiefaber St. contacted university officials regarding apparent floor problems as a precautionary measure. The university cited ter-

mite damage as the reason for the "soft spots" in the house's floor.

Last year, the Dayton Fire Department cited a floor collapse as a contributing factor to an Oct. 27 fire during a party at 423 Stonemill Road. In November 2010, a floor collapsed during a party at 223 K St.

Flyer News obtained an email sent by Housing and Residence Life stating the university hired a structural engineering firm that inspected every student house over winter break. Beth Keyes, vice president of Facilities Management, said the university hired the firm after the 423 Stonemill Road incident to "check a sampling of houses to determine live loads."

Curran told SGA the university should have fixed the situation earlier.

"Again, we had an incident more than a year ago. We should have dealt with this then. We will deal with it appropriately now, and not,

TEACHER FEATURE

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Staff Writer

Aimei Yang is in her second semester at the University of Dayton as a tenure-track associate professor teaching public relations. Coming from China five years ago, Yang offers a unique perspective and energy to her students and colleagues.

Yang discussed some of the factors that drew her to UD in the first place.

“When I first came here, one thing that stood out was the kindness and the spirit of community,” Yang said. “I perceive this as a place where I will have a very happy life. As a junior professor, I knew it was important for me to find a university that would be very supportive.”

Yang said the faculty and staff that she has reached out to have been very eager to help her adjust and become acclimated.

“I have been in the United States for several years now and have experienced other universities. At many institutions, people were hesitant or too busy to help me adjust,” Yang explained.

Yang has a passion for teaching and said she enjoys sharing a laugh or two with students to connect with them.

“Sometimes when students interact with me, I can make a joke of some part of their answer to a question and the whole class will laugh with me,” Yang said. “It makes me feel like they are more than my students and are really my friends.”

John Young, a junior communi-

cation major, is currently in Yang’s public relations class and says that her enthusiasm is clear and she gives great examples that help the students understand the concepts well.

According to Yang, this type of interaction does not occur in Chinese classrooms.

Compared to the typical Chinese classroom, the dynamic between student and teacher is totally different in the United States.

“It is considered kind of rude [in China] for a student to talk to an instructor like a peer.

“I can remember when I first came to the US, I was confused in my first class. Everyone in the room was talking and I wondered, ‘Who is the professor?’ Coming from a paradigm in China that was just the opposite, it was a big shock to me,” Yang said. “I really enjoy this different approach to teaching.”

Yang expressed that teaching is more than just a job for her. She said that she enjoys the profession of teaching because it not only allows her to instruct students, but also allows her to conduct research that she can then contribute to the greater academic world.

“I am happy that I can do this as a part of my job. I like to share the findings from my research with my students,” Yang said.

While Yang asserts that her experience at UD has been very positive, it has not been free from challenges.

“I have a terrible sense of direction,” she said. “I always get lost! Be-



Aimei Yang, a public relations professor at UD, poses in classroom Jan. 28. CHRIS SANTUCCI/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

tween meetings and classes it’s hard for me to navigate everywhere. I know UD is a small campus, but still!”

Yang shared one story in particular about a meeting she was rushing to with the Provost.

“I ended up on the other end of campus in the totally wrong place,” Yang said. “I asked someone for help and they walked me all the way to where I was supposed to be. That was a new challenge that helped me realize how kind the university as a whole is.”

Yang values her background in working with the large number of

international students in her classes.

“I really try to reach out to them and help them realize that what they are going through, the adjustment is normal and that it will get easier,” she said. “When English is not your first language, it can be scary to talk in class. And in China, the emphasis is on reading and writing, not speaking. I try to ensure them that, hey this is hard, but I did it and you are much smarter than me so you will do it too.” Yang said.

Yang also said that besides the blizzards, she also has loved exploring

outside of the university. During a trip to Florida for a professional meeting, she decided to canoe through the everglades.

“I saw a long rock and I didn’t know what it was,” Yang explained. “I used my paddle to poke the rock and it almost jumped on my canoe. It was an alligator!”

Yang said that she is excited to be at UD and looks forward to getting involved in as many ways as she can with the strong community that is around her.

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I’m going to say this again, at the expense of the UD community.”

Curran also took responsibility for maintaining the community spirit of the neighborhoods.

“The student neighborhoods – the Ghetto and the Darkside – are

part of UD. They will be part of UD in the future. It won’t be compromised. This administration, under my leadership, will make sure the community is maintained. We will not take the easy way out. In many ways, this could be interpreted as the easy way out.”

Kaylor said she met with university administrators, including Joe Saliba, university provost, regarding the situation. She said

the administration sought her candid opinion.

“We expressed that there was discontent with the housing occupancy limits,” Kaylor said. “I told [Chris Schramm, dean of students,] I can’t support the policy, but I understand why you want to do it.”

Kaylor said she is unaware of a cost estimate for the project. According to the university, the typi-

cal, routine annual investment for student houses totals \$2 million.

For now, Kaylor hopes students will be mindful of the limits while keeping UD’s community alive.

“I think students need to go on with the fact that we’re conscious of the numbers, we understand our houses are old, we understand they’re going to be reinforced within the next couple of months, but I don’t think it should change our

community at all,” Kaylor said.

“I think the UD community is what makes us so special, and I think as long as we can use common sense and be smart about it there’s no reason to not keep our community.”

After 42 years, UD postal employee retires

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Staff Writer

After more than four decades, Tom Seifert is retiring from his position at the University of Dayton mailroom.

The UD community held a retirement lunch for Seifert at the beginning of the semester to offer gratitude and thanks for his 42 years of service to the school.

Seifert began in 1970, when the mailroom was still operating out of Heritage Hall in the middle of campus. Seifert said at the time the campus, and its mail system, was drastically different.

"It has been amazing to see how much campus has changed with all the new buildings and renovations," Seifert said.

Seifert recalled the construction of Virginia W. Kettering Residence Hall, which added greatly to the volume of student mail that had to be processed.

Seifert also shared many of the strange, funny and interesting memories he had from his time at UD.

"Of course there was the streaking fad of the early 1970s," Seifert laughed. "There were many demonstrations around that time as well."

Seifert also listed some of the weirdest items ever processed in the

mail as well.

"We had pig embryos, crickets and horse embryos for the biology department pretty often, but the weirdest item was an oblong box [housing a] live animal with some air holes punched in the side," Seifert said.

Seifert opened the box in the mailroom and found a live baby alligator. After debating over who had to put it back in the box, the mail staff sealed it up and delivered it to the student it was addressed to.

Amon Williams, an operations technician in the mailroom, worked with Seifert for 14 years.

"Everyone liked him. He was a good Catholic boy. He really walked the walk," Williams said.

Mail courier Dan Gray, who worked with Seifert for seven years, spoke highly of Seifert describing his caring demeanor and generous ways.

"Tom, the boss, brought us coffee every single morning. He would stop at McDonalds Monday through Friday and bring us all the senior discounted coffees," Gray said. "That is the kind of guy Tom is."

"And every Thursday he brought us all Subway for lunch," Williams added.

Denise Dobberstein, coordinator of postal operations, said that she worked with Tom since 1989 when he

was extremely underhanded in the mailroom and she came over to help from the bookstore.

"I could tell time by Tom. He was always at work and always on time," she said. "He was very considerate about his vacation time and only took time off when it didn't overlap with anyone else's vacation time."

Dobberstein added that Tom proudly displays a license plate that reads: "UD PO."

In addition to the changes on campus and the growing volume of mail, Seifert recalls some of the big changes that occurred in UD's mailing system.

"Back in the day, we had to sort all of the student mail in the mailroom," he said. "But the Dayton Post Office offered us a P.O. Box service for each dorm and that greatly cut back on the amount of processing we had to do here at UD."

"Another big change was our implementation of the 'ZIP plus 4' system," Seifert said.

Seifert explained that, years ago, each academic department had its own mailbox in a central location and the secretaries had to come get the mail every day. With the start of the ZIP plus 4 system, the campus and its buildings were mapped out so that mail could be delivered directly to each department all over campus.

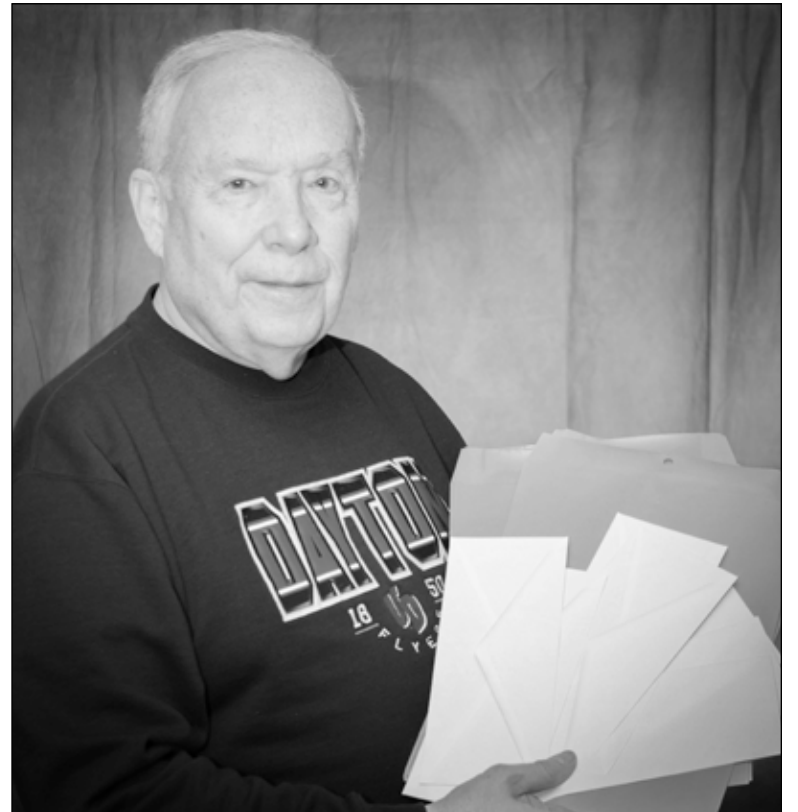


Photo of Tom Seifert Jan. 21. CHRISTOPHER SANTUCCI/
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This also created a need for more help from students to deliver all of the mail across campus, Dobberstein said.

Seifert expressed that with about 20 students working in the mail department, either in processing or de-

livery, he got to interact with many students over the years.

"The best part about my career at UD was working with the students. I can honestly say that I will really miss them," Seifert said.

Students visit D.C. in annual March for Life

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Chief News Writer

Fifty-two University of Dayton Students for Life members joined the annual March for Life in Washington this weekend to protest the 40th anniversary of the controversial Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling.

The university-recognized group comprised a small portion of the half million or so anti-abortion demonstrators who on Friday, Jan. 25, marched from the National Mall and up through Pennsylvania Avenue. The march concluded at the U.S. Supreme Court steps where the landmark 1973 ruling that created a constitutional right to abortion was delivered.

UD Students for Life's 52 participating members marks one of the highest attendance rates for UD

students and is up from 42 last year, according to UD Students for Life president Danielle Pohlman. The rise in UD participation is indicative of a national trend, with each year's march surpassing the previous year's attendance figures.

"The march is growing every year and an estimated 400,000 to 650,000 participated in the March this past Friday," Pohlman said. "Even after the re-election of the pro-choice President Obama, the pro-lifers have not lost hope."

For Shaughn Phillips, a sophomore history major and UD March for Life co-chair, Friday's march was a "hopeful glimpse into the future" for pro-lifers that's been unprecedented in the past 11 years he's marched in the annual event. The March for Life veteran's source of optimism, he said, lies in the growing number of youth participation

that he's noticed in recent years.

"Our generation hasn't seen a major movement to date," Phillips said. "Our parents' generation had the civil rights movement. I think our greatest calling should be and is the pro-life movement."

The UD group's "pilgrimage," as Phillips called it, began Thursday, Jan. 24, in front of the UD chapel where the group boarded two shuttle busses and drove through the night to the University of Maryland. The 52 pro-lifers attended a youth rally at the UM Comcast Center early Friday morning before taking the metro to the National Mall for the march.

Former Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Penn., and Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., spoke to the massive congregation of anti-abortionists before they departed the National Mall for their march in the freezing snow.

"It was only 28 degrees and snowing," Phillips said, "but that added to the experience. That kind of suffering pales in comparison to those who've lost their lives to this decision."

While Pohlman said the march is a peaceful protest, the demonstrators received some opposition from pro-choice advocates at the U.S. Supreme Court building who shouted at the group and held signs that read, "Get your rosaries off my ovaries."

There were no officially-recognized UD groups present to represent the pro-choice demonstrators at the march this weekend.

The UD Students for Life's ultimate goal, according to Pohlman, is to completely legalize abortion but is currently focusing on more pragmatic resolutions.

"Even though abortions are hap-

pening every 26 seconds and 55 million people have lost their lives, abortion won't be made illegal anytime in the near future," the Chicago native said. "If by marching in the capital, we can save just one life or convince one person, then it's all worth it."

Phillips echoed her sentiment. "When I think of all those who've lost their lives, I think of the potential friends that I've lost and it makes me sad," he said. "But when you see hundreds of thousands of people who are willing to stand up to the problem, it really is inspiring."

The UD Students for Life meet every other Tuesday in Kennedy Union room 222 with the next meeting on Feb. 5. For more information on the group, students can visit studentsforlife.org.

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University of Dayton Rescue Squad Chief Sophia Raptis poses for a photo as she receives the keys to the squad’s new ambulance from Seth Poston, the ambulance dealer’s president, in front of the College Park Center, Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013, in Dayton, Ohio. ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/MANAGING EDITOR

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Solidarity club provides guidance to local girls

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Staff Writer

The Solidarity Club, a service group on Campus, has been gaining notice for the positive influences they are making on young girls lives in the Dayton area.

Bringing awareness to female related topics and concerns, the Solidarity Club focuses on empowering elementary and middle school aged girls from fourth to eighth grade.

The group is composed of all female students from the University of Dayton and tackles issues and topics

these young girls may face throughout their adolescence such as bullying, self-confidence, professionalism and healthy relationships.

Every other Friday, they travel to Cleveland Elementary School to host an after school club called “Girl’s Club.”

The Solidarity club’s aim through this after school program is to serve as role models to young girls from the inner-city of Dayton and to provide them with tools to help them become confident young women.

The Club’s goal is “to bring aware-

ness to female related topics and support women of the Dayton community,” said co-president Lauren Evans, a junior psychology major.

Through their mentoring, the Solidarity club provides these young girls with a positive influence and someone they can look up to.

“It seems like many of them need and want a female role model,” said the club’s co-president, Jessalyn Crossman. The women of the Solidarity Club are there for these girls to provide them with strong female examples they can look up to.

Not only do they act as role models but the “program provides support and structure. It allows the girls to meet new friends in different grades and classes. It provides a healthy outlet,” said Evans.

Helping young girls improve their levels of confidence, build healthier relationships, and make new and lasting friendships is not only beneficial for the young girls they mentor, but also makes the Solidarity club ladies “feel so blessed and connected to the community of Dayton,” said Crossman.

Getting involved with these young

girls in the Dayton community also makes other members like Devin Swisher “thankful for the opportunities I have had.”

Though the club attracts many education and psychology majors, it is open to all female University of Dayton students and is helpful in “brainstorming new idea to benefit the women in the Dayton Community” according to member Rachel Gamble. The Solidarity Club is dedicated to bringing awareness to female issues and topics and helping the young women in the Dayton community.

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New downtown restaurant provides quality food, service



LANEY GIBSON
Staff Writer

I had no idea what to expect when I walked into one of the newest additions to downtown Dayton's eatery options, Downtown Grille and Café, which opened Dec. 3, 2012.

My first thought was that I hope they have a menu ready that I don't have to read from afar because I forgot my glasses. I was happy to find that they conveniently offer many menus I can read as up close as I want as soon as I walked in.

Several friendly employees working behind the counter, who immediately soothed my worry that I was underdressed, greeted me. Fear not about what you wear, Downtown Grille and Café is a place that welcomes all kinds of attire. Even yoga pants, ladies.

I noticed part of the menu was

crossed out to which employee Toriano Taylor said people had "complained because they thought it was too complicated." I liked this restaurant even more.

Who wants complexity? I don't, and I'm sure people wanting simple, good food won't either.

The part of the menu that was now in use gives restaurant-goers choices between different wraps, sandwiches, salads, entrees, soups and sides. The menu is very simple and straightforward, but that's what makes this particular lunchtime eatery a success. The prices were also reasonable, especially given the quality of the food on the menu.

Employees said that most people ask for the burgers and wraps, which sounded appetizing. However, that could also be because I could smell the food behind the counter. For myself, I went for the chicken salad.

Sitting down I noticed that the atmosphere of the place was cozier than a fast food restaurant, but still a nice place to get a quick lunch. Decorated with pieces of art and a nice view of downtown, this restaurant reminds me that Dayton has a lot to offer downtown and that life exists outside of the university.

Patrons pay before they are seated, which allows a timely eating experi-



Downtown Grille and Café, located in the Oregon district, offers a fair price for a large, tasty and neat chicken salad. STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/IAN MORAN

ence and no waiting for the bill – also a plus for customers on the run. The food arrived quickly and the waiters were friendly and attentive, separating Downtown Grille and Café from other quick-stop places.

I was extremely excited when I saw my salad, which had delight-

fully separated toppings. Anyone who is not a fan of messy salads will enjoy these visually appealing alternatives. I am not necessarily an expert, but I know when food is not up to standards; this food pleasantly surprised me. For a fair price you get a very large, neat and tasty salad.

Everything tasted fresh and was just filling enough.

As I left, the employees asked how the food was and I responded happily that it was perfect. Downtown Grille and Café is a place that has reasonable prices, tasty food and wonderful service from genuinely nice people.

'Beats of ArtStreet' showcases talent of student musicians

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Lead A&E Writer

The University of Dayton has a number of things to be proud of and extremely talented musicians are on that list.

Several of these students exhibited their talent at the Beats of ArtStreet: Thursday Night Live Album Release concert on Saturday, Jan. 26. The concert at ArtStreet celebrated the release of the 4th annual compilation album of all the talented students that perform for Thursday Night Live.

It featured performances by Lauren Eylise, Isomatic, Brendan Michaelis and Brendan Holmes, Samuel Day, Matt Witzeman, Daniel Vonlehmden, Libby Gill and Dave Zup.

"It's a bunch of great music from great people," said Zup, a junior communication major and rapper.

He is featured on the album and is a regular performer at ArtStreet's Thursday Night Live.

Samuel Day, a senior music major and another artist featured on the album, also encourages students to support their peers by downloading

the album.

"It provides a great variety and a snapshot of the talent here at UD," he said.

"I like that this album not only showcases the live work of the performers, but their studio presentations as well, while giving credit to their producers," Day added. "This, I think, helps give great dimension to the image and presentation of each artist and some of their creative team."

Matt Witzeman, a freshman chemical engineering major, is another artist featured on the album. He not only demonstrated his vocal talent, but also his impressive piano skills at the concert.

Witzeman said that the album provides a two-way street of benefits.

"As artists and performers, we love to see people come out to performances or download our music because it makes us feel good about what we are doing in spreading our passion and ideas through song," he said. "As listeners, students can also find themes in songs and apply them to their own lives, or they can just have a good,

fun time listening."

All of these artists encourage students to download the album because they are extremely proud of the work they have done. Whether music is a future career endeavor or just a hobby on the side, they all said they were honored to be included in the compilation.

"I'm really thankful to be a part of this album, especially since I'm only a freshman and there are many older, talented artists at UD," Witzeman said. "I love the fact that I've been given a chance to spread to others an original song of mine that holds a lot of meaning through this album."

"I like knowing that my first official single is being included alongside the material of my peers, and that people are going to hear it as part of a professional presentation," Day said.

Zup agreed, saying that he is a huge fan of everyone on the project. He said all of these artists are extremely proud of the work they have done, and Zup believes that students should be proud of them as well.

"They can show it to all their friends at home and be like, 'This is



The ArtStreet compilation album features original songs by student artists. ALBUM DESIGN COURTESY OF HILLARY PICKARD

just a little bit of what my school has to offer," he said.

The 4th annual Thursday Night

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Student theatre performances impress, engage audience

MARGIE POWELL
Staff Writer

On Friday, Jan. 25, I went to see the University of Dayton Theatre Program's "The American Dream" and "Zoo Story," two early plays of Edward Albee, directed by Tony Dallas.

Throughout the performance, I was alternately grabbing my sides from laughing so hard and diving deep into thought about what the "American Dream" is.

The audience reacted well to "The American Dream," laughing at the more obscene and confusing moments. The characters of Mommy and Daddy, played by freshman vocal performance major Elizabeth Amato and senior computer science major Patrick Lillis, respectively, were both funny and well portrayed, exaggerating the idea of what people perceive the American Dream to be.

Another character, Mrs. Barker, played by freshman public relations major Rashelle Felix, was more of a confusing character to understand, as I personally could not see what part her character would have to play in my vision of "The American Dream."

However, I was amused by Felix's portrayal, particularly with her loud, booming voice and the competition that she plays with Mommy.

Grandma was played by sophomore English and theatre major Jenna Gomes. This character was amusing, watching her scooter around the stage and upset the characters of Mommy and Daddy with her anecdotes as to why elderly people are the way they are.

Finally, there was the character of "The American Dream," played by freshman Kevin Cavallaro, who completed the symbolism of the show.

Cavallaro bore the resemblance

of "The American Dream" with a muscular physique and a pretty face, while feeling empty and alone inside.

The second show, "Zoo Story," was a much different performance. It's about the conversation between a high society man of New York, Peter, and a self-proclaimed insane man by the name of Jerry, who Peter meets while reading in the middle of Central Park.

Alex Chilton plays the character of Jerry very well, seeming to be a kind considerate man in one sentence and flying off the handle in the next.

He helps make the audience feel Jerry's desperation to connect with other people, telling the stories with great energy and enthusiasm. Senior general education major Phillip Titlebaum plays the part of Peter, showing how a characteristically calm and considerate man can be forced to violence in a moment.

I found both plays to be enjoyable. Although "The American Dream" does have funny moments to it, the main theme of the show is sometimes hard to grasp.

"You have to pay close attention and think about it to understand," said junior chemical engineering major Janelle Stalter.

Senior psychology major Paul Obbagy said that he preferred "Zoo Story."

"[It] made sense as a plot and story," said Obbagy.

Overall, I believe that the shows were well played, even if the main themes were strange and hard to fathom.

The shows continue this weekend, Friday, Feb. 1, and Saturday, Feb. 2, at 8 p.m. The cost is \$7 for students, faculty and staff, and \$12 for general admission. For more information contact the UD Theatre Program at 229-3950 or visit arts.udayton.edu.



Top: Rashelle Felix, Patrick Lillis, Elizabeth Amato, and Jenna Gomes in "The American Dream." Bottom: Alex Chilton and Phillip Titlebaum in "Zoo Story." COURTESY OF LORI D'AGOSTINO-GOUGH

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Mother Teresa
Catholic nun, 1910-1997

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NEW OCCUPANCY LIMITS ABOUT SAFETY, NOT PARTY CRASHING

As we finish up our third week of the spring semester, the University of Dayton campus has already seen quite a bit of action. Perhaps the most notable news has been the changes to student housing contracts after recent floor collapses.

According to a Jan. 24 Flyer News story, two separate incidents occurred in the student neighborhood on Jan. 19, both of which resulted in broken floors of university-owned houses.

Subsequently, the residents of those two houses have been evacuated, and student housing contracts have now been amended to include housing occupancy limits. A Jan. 29 email from Facilities Management also confirmed that contractors will inspect all university-owned houses so they can order materials to reinforce the floors.

In response to these events, students seem to be divided.

On the one hand, the limits to housing occupancy are being taken by some students as a threat to the weekend party lifestyle for which UD seems to have a reputation – even if the university doesn’t specifically acknowledge it. The limits would indeed be contradictory to this lifestyle; as such parties tend to exceed a 19-student maximum.

On the other hand, these precautions are being received as a preemptive move to stop further accidents from happening. This is appreciated not only for the sake of students’ protection in the event of a floor collapse, but also for the elimination of the major inconvenience of a temporary, mid-semester housing evacuation.

At Flyer News, we are also divided, however we recognize the university’s need to take action. Not responding to these events with drastic change would simply be foolish on the university’s part, as it would certainly lead to more student injuries and even possible lawsuits.

However, Dr. Curran’s Jan. 27 address to students during an SGA meeting also suggested that these limits, however restrictive they might be, are only in place temporarily. Then, the university can take greater action to strengthen university houses.

Whatever the case, Flyer News is happy that no one has been injured in any of the housing mishaps this year, and we urge everyone to approach their weekend activities with caution in order to be as safe as possible.

Boy Scouts change policy



MATTHEW WORSHAM
Opinions Editor

In Issue 10 of Flyer News this fall, I wrote a column arguing that my fellow Eagle Scouts and I are obligated to fight the Boy Scouts of America’s policy of excluding non-heterosexual individuals from participating in its programs.

Those of us who have publicly opposed this restriction were no doubt excited to learn this week that the BSA is “discussing potentially removing the national membership restriction regarding sexual orientation,” according to the organization’s website.

The proposed change would remove the national ban and allow local chartering organizations to “select leaders consistent with each organization’s mission, principles, or religious beliefs,” essentially allowing individual troops to decide for themselves whether or not to restrict their membership based on sexual orientation. A final decision is expected next week.

While I am optimistic about the BSA’s announcement that it might end this discriminatory policy at the

national level, I take that optimism with at least a few grains of caution.

For starters, there’s always the possibility that next week’s meeting of the board of directors will turn up the wrong decision, though it’s unlikely. Turning back now, when on the brink of progress, would be PR suicide for an organization that is in desperate need of some positive press.

I’m more worried that it might be too late to mend the organization’s self-tarnished image and the pain it has inflicted on so many children and adults.

As an Eagle Scout, I can attest to the quality of the BSA’s programs – they helped to make me into the person I am today. That’s one of the main reasons why I was so angry about the organization’s continued discrimination against non-heterosexuals. It hurt to watch as an organization I cared about and believed in deprived these children of the same opportunities I had been given.

The BSA made a grievous error – and it was grievous – in excluding children and adults because of their sexual orientation. But, if the policy is changed, I believe that there is still no youth organization better poised to prepare boys and girls to become responsible members of society, assuming there is a heartfelt attempt to repair its broken bridges.

Unfortunately, it is probably too late for many people to forgive the BSA,

and I don’t blame them. The cuts are deep, but I hope that the community will pull together to prevent the scars.

I hope that – should the policy be changed – the decision will re-energize, rather than pacify, those Eagle Scouts and other members of the national community who have fought hard for progress on this issue.

While some may see this as an attempt by the BSA to “punt the football” on the issue (not out of the question as far as I’m concerned), I’m trying to be optimistic. As I said in this column in Issue 10, change in an organization like the BSA comes from within. While it may not end discrimination in the BSA once and for all, the policy change will make it possible. It will finally empower those close to the organization – especially Eagle Scouts – to make changes at the local level.

I encourage Eagles and all former scouts to go back to their home troops and support them as they transition to inclusivity, or to start a conversation with them about discrimination if they have not yet been convinced.

The problem isn’t solved. There will still be troops that choose to deny some children of their rights to be scouts, but the change will make it better than the way it is now because we can finally do something about it.

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Word on the street...

What’s the best bedsheet you’ve seen on a Ghetto house?



“My favorite was, ‘If she doesn’t know what Lotus Notes is, she’s too young for you, bro.’”

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“Students in the Ghetto were sitting in a kiddie pool outside their house with a bedsheet that said, ‘Honk if you want to be us.’”

STACY BAKER
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“During one graduation weekend, everyone’s bedsheets were thanking their parents, but one house’s said, ‘Thanks, Wikipedia!’”

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Dear UD, please hold the door open!



STEVE MALONEY
Columnist, Junior

Editor's note: In this recurring column, Flyer News columnist Steve Maloney gets a chance to really give the world a piece of his mind.

Common courtesy is a lost art these days.

As Vince Vaughn once said, "People helping people. It's powerful stuff."

Apparently this idea has not sunk in with an astonishingly large population of people.

Specifically, I'm referring to "door dodgers." Those poor souls who never bother to think that maybe there's someone behind them when they walk through a door. Not only do they not think to hold the door, sometimes they even just slide in as the door is closing.

Newsflash! You're not clever, agile or any other positive characteristic

you think you are when you do something like that. Most likely, you're not aware of the fact that you committed a social crime because you're living in your own world.

You're inconsiderate, rude and just downright ignorant. Open your eyes and realize that there are other people around you.

There is one and only one exception to this idea. If someone glances behind them, thinks there is no one there, and lets the door close while there is actually someone coming through the door, they reserve the right to personally apologize to that person and get off

the hook. Otherwise, there is no excuse for not extending a person's right to common courtesy.

Here's a good rule of thumb: If the door will not close by the time the next person reaches the entrance or exit, then you should hold the door and wait for them.

It's a very simple procedure that merely requires an extra two or three seconds of your time.

When you're walking in between classes, please be mindful of the fact that traffic moves much smoother when people hold the doors open for each other. People really do appreciate

the simple task of holding a door, but they will hold a grudge if someone blatantly ignores the presence of others.

Thank you to all of you who have a knack for being kind to others. I hope you know that your actions do not go unnoticed, and keep up the good work.

To those who still haven't figured out that the universe does not revolve around you, I feel sorry for you. I can only hope that one day that light bulb goes off in your head, and you start to have some pride in how you are perceived by other people.

And that my friends, is what really grinds my gears.

letters to the editor

Free the Ghetto It's time to celebrate, Super Bowl Sunday is here

As an alumnus of such a uniquely prestigious academic institution such as the University of Dayton, I take great pride in following the current activities of the administration and student body alike.

One would think that a prestigious Catholic institution would have a basic understanding of moral obligation. In my personal business career, I have learned that there is a time where it is instrumental that there be a devoted effort to achieve a community cooperation. These would be times of strife or unforeseeable adverse situations.

It is clear that the current events fall into this category. It is also clear that there has been a deficiency in appropriate responses to the situation given the university's own claimed standards to fellowship.

My greatest disappointment is that the university and its leadership have revealed themselves to not work in the student body's best interest, but rather to garnish an appearance of false dedication by turning a cynical blind eye to their contractual obligation.

I arrive at this conjecture not from this single circumstance, but from a series of decisions in recent university history. As an institution that prides itself on community and camaraderie, I find it laughable that the student body has in essence been punished for doing no wrong. They have been

besieged within their own neighborhood, a place where someone should feel free from harm.

The lack of compassionate response is compounded by the fact that this is a problem a long time coming. The university should look to solve problems and not concoct even more malfeasance. The administration and leadership needs to look within itself for a destination for the blame. The first step in solving any problem is recognizing there is one, and the time to admit there was one has long since passed.

I will always take pride in having been a student at the University of Dayton. My only wish is that the current students will be able to graduate and harbor the same positive feelings. I am fearful though that the experiences that have been thrust upon them will prevent that. I suppose that this is all something that one epic, spirit fueled night in THE GHETTO won't be able to solve. The students deserve that. Just return to them their stolen sovereignty.

The first Sunday of February has a special place in my calendar.

Super Bowl Sunday is on the "holidays list." It's a day where millions of Americans and a growing international audience tune in to watch the finale of the football season. For me, it's the time of year where all the past year's moments and stories should come out and be told and where all fans come together to celebrate the past year.

From seeing our teams at the draft, to keeping up with blogs during training camp, and being glued to the TV when our team is on, Super Bowl Sunday is a day where we can all watch the biggest game of the year and enjoy the past year's stories.

As a Cleveland Browns fan, it was awful to see them have their fifth losing season record in a row, see important players get plagued with injury and a clean house of ownership and coaching staff following the final game of the regular season.

However, I am glad that I follow the whole NFL and thought this year was

filled with some of the best headlines in my lifetime.

Seeing Peyton Manning and Adrian Peterson, both of whom came back from what many thought were career-ending injuries, broke NFL records, led their average teams to the playoffs and were both elected to their 12th (Manning) and fifth (Peterson) Pro Bowl in a row.

No NFL fan can deny the importance of drafting the right quarterback after witnessing the surge of the young guns in the league right now.

Even though the season ended with a brutal, yet manageable injury, Robert Griffin III made some of the most athletic plays as a QB since the early years of Michael Vick. To me, it was no surprise Andrew Luck led the Colts to a 12-4 record and a Wild Card playoff loss.

It was shocking to see what Pete Carroll could do with his offense while "undersized and under experienced" rookie Russell Wilson was under center. The Seahawks created a unique

offense that used Wilson's mobility to run the best option and play action plays in the NFL. I see multiple playoff runs for Seattle in the future.

I must say, even though our division rivals made it to the Super Bowl, I am very excited to see the Baltimore Ravens and San Francisco 49ers play on Sunday. While both head coaches Jim and John Harbaugh are brothers, the bigger story line is seeing the 49ers' high-power offense and Baltimore's veteran defense go four quarters on the biggest stage for American sports.

While some diehard fans like me tune in for the game, others will tune in to watch another Doritos commercial and see Beyoncé perform at halftime. It will be a great time for all fans to celebrate another year of football, before a long seven-month wait till next season.

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Track and Field

Dayton prepares for return to Youngstown for second invite

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Chief Sports Writer

The University of Dayton track and field team returns to Youngstown, Ohio, this weekend, after winning four individual events at the first of two Youngstown State Invitational meets on Friday, Jan. 25, and Saturday, Jan. 26.

At the Youngstown Invite this past weekend, junior Lizzie Gleason won the 3000 meter run in a time of 10:03.52. She was followed by junior Nicole Cargill in second-place six seconds later.

Dayton also finished in the top three spots in the pole vault. Junior Hanna Krizmanic cleared a height of 3.75 meters to win, with sophomore Ashley DeMange and junior Katrina Steinhauer clearing 3.65 meters behind her.

In the weight throw, senior Renee Otte and redshirt sophomore Miranda Nelson occupied the top two positions. Freshman Chelsey VanHook won the 800 meter run by .21 seconds with a time of 2:19.10.

Unlike its predecessor, the second invitational held this weekend is a national event and includes only Division I programs.

According to Dayton head coach Jason Francis, the team is ready for the challenge.

"We did well last week," Francis

said. "But we are ready to go out and do even better against stronger competition."

Now in his second year with the program, Francis said he has seen nothing but improvement over the last several weeks at practice and in competition. Prior to last week's YSU event, the Flyers had placed first just once.

"This weekend we need to step up and make it count," Francis said. "We have a lot of leadership on this team this year. We have talent, too."

According to junior Sarah Reynolds, the focus for the team right now is to improve in individual competition, rather than coming in first at every meet.

"With a new coaching staff, this is a big transition year for us," she said. "It's a learning experience for a lot of the girls, but [we're already] seeing results."

Reynolds, a distance runner for the team, said the team has a long term goal of housing a top-tier track and field program.

"We have been on the back-burner for a while ... We want to be mentally ready to compete with those big name schools," Reynolds said.

The Flyers will compete against several schools, including Duquesne University, Bucknell University, Val-

paraiso University and Ohio University during the meet this weekend. According to Reynolds, there is no reason the team can't walk away with some big finishes.

"We have the potential to do well in a lot of these events; it's just up to the runners," she said.

Francis said that while it's not necessarily a "practice season" for the program, he likes to think of indoor track as a way to fix problems before the main outdoor season arrives.

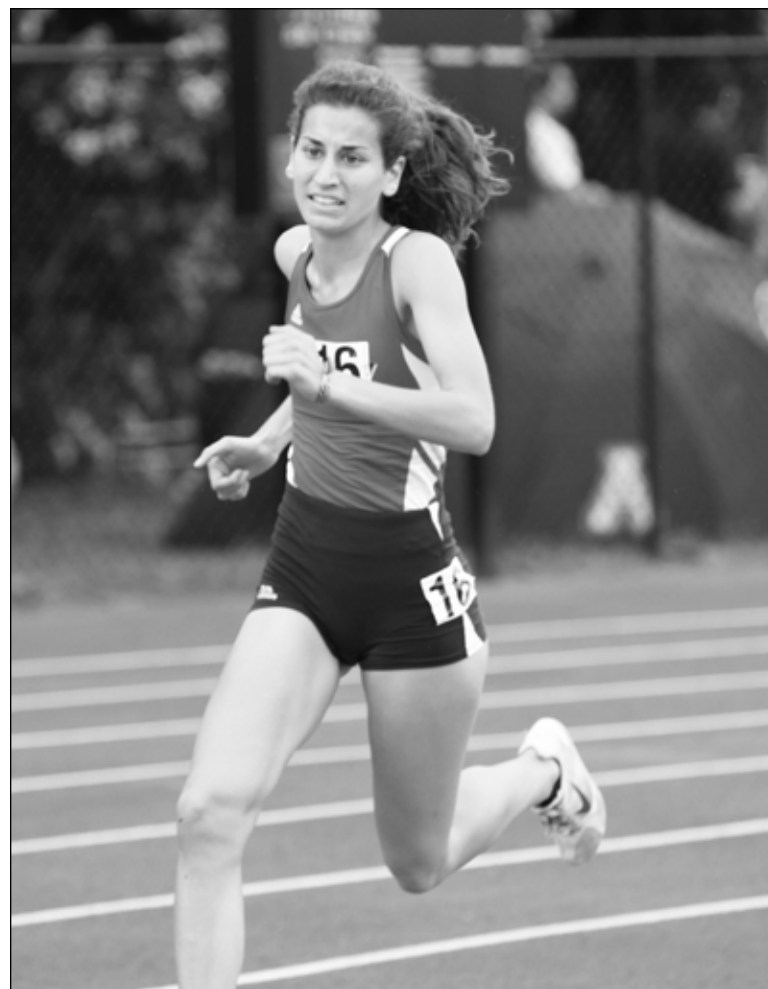
"With indoor running, the weather is always perfect," he said. "There's no wind or weather issues. That allows us to improve quickly."

The Youngstown State National Invitational precedes Hoosier Hills, which will be held in Bloomington, Ind., on Feb. 8-9.

"We are looking forward to our upcoming schedule," Francis said. "We are getting ready for the Atlantic 10 meet and I think we're going to have a good year."

Reynolds said she and her teammates agree with their and believe the future is bright for the program.

"We may not be the program we are trying to become by the end of this season," Reynolds said. "But it's still important that we don't lose our Flyer spirit."



Junior distance runner Nicole Cargill finished in second place in the 3000 meter run at the Youngstown State Invitational, Friday, Jan. 25, and Saturday, Jan. 26, in Youngstown, Ohio. PHOTO COURTESY OF UD ATHLETICS

Women's Tennis

Tennis gets weekend sweep heading into stretch at home

TOM STANKARD
Staff Writer

The University of Dayton women's tennis team had a busy, but successful weekend with a trio of wins across Ohio and Indiana.

Dayton began the weekend hosting its home opener on Friday, Jan. 25, versus Robert Morris University. Then, on Saturday, Jan. 26, the Flyers traveled west to the West Indy Racquet Club in Indianapolis, Ind., to compete against Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. And finally, on Sunday, Jan. 27, the team headed across town to take on Wright State University to cap off the weekend.

The Flyers started their weekend beating RMU by a final score of 7-0 at the Five Seasons Sports Club.

In singles action, UD sophomore Sammi Hornbarger defeated RMU junior Carolina Mourao Teixeira, 6-2, 5-7, 10-7 in No. 1 singles. UD freshman Carly Peck won her match in No. 2

singles 6-0, 6-2 and in No. 3 singles, UD junior Maureen Stevens won her contest 6-1, 6-4.

Dayton freshman Katie Boeckman took on RMU senior Clarissa Chen in No. 4 singles, winning 6-4, 6-2. UD juniors Claire McNulty and Erin Filbrandt won their matches, as well.

Peck and Stevens teamed up in No. 1 doubles, winning their match 8-3. At the three spot, McNulty and Filbrandt won the match 8-3. Boeckman and Hornbarger competed in No. 2 doubles, tying 5-5 due to incompleteness.

On Saturday, Dayton traveled to Indiana to bout with IUPUI. In the end, the Flyers proved victorious, defeating the Jaguars 4-3.

Hornbarger led the way in singles action, winning her No. 1 singles match, 6-3, 6-1. Peck stepped up to beat IUPUI senior Vanessa Whyte 6-1, 6-3 in No. 2 singles and Boeckman won her match in No. 3 singles versus IUPUI sophomore Rachael Bridegroom, 6-2, 6-2. In No. 4 singles, Filbrandt defeated

IUPUI senior Jesika Bays 6-1, 6-1.

In No. 2 doubles, Boeckman and Hornbarger beat their opponents 8-5. Peck and Stevens lost in No. 1 doubles 8-3, and McNulty and Filbrandt were defeated by a close score of 8-6 to lose the point.

The Flyers on Sunday faced Wright State in the Wright State Invitational where it emerged with a 5-2 win over the Raiders.

In singles competition, Stevens earned the No. 3 singles victory, winning, 6-2, 4-6, 10-4 versus WSU senior Taylor Hines. McNulty defeated WSU senior Amy Nini in No. 4 singles. Boeckman won her No. 5 singles match 3-6, 6-3, 6-1, via tie-breaker. Lastly, Filbrandt beat WSU junior Liz Steingass in No. 6 singles, 6-3, 6-3.

Then, in doubles play, Peck and Stevens joined forces in No. 1 doubles to defeat WSU sophomore Alex Bastock and senior Kayla Tuscany, 8-3. Filbrandt and McNulty won their No. 3 doubles match 8-5 to take the point.

The difference between playing home versus away is unmistakable. According to head coach Ryan Meyer, the biggest difference has been the fans.

"The fans have a tremendous impact on how the team performs," Meyer said. "For example, against Robert Morris University at the five seasons, at least 40 fans cheered on the Flyers."

Coming out of this weekend, Filbrandt said the Flyers are more confident than ever before.

"I think we're a lot more confident," Filbrandt said. "After this weekend, we know how good of a team we really are."

The Flyers record overall now stands at 4-3 after the weekend competitions.

Dayton has a five-match homestand upcoming today and tomorrow against Ball State University and Xavier University at the Five Seasons Sports Club.

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Height in meters of the jump for junior pole-vaulter Hanna Krizmanic, which was the winning height at the Youngstown State Invitational from Friday, Jan. 25 through Saturday, Jan. 26.

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Wins for the UD men's and women's tennis teams this past weekend. The Flyers finished the weekend 4-1 overall, with victories over Robert Morris for both teams, as well as IUPUI, and Wright State for the women.

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Straight weeks that the UD women's basketball team has been ranked in the AP Top 25 and Coaches Poll. The Flyer women come in at No. 17 in the AP and No. 15 in the Coaches polls following a 39-point win over the University of Massachusetts on Sunday, Jan. 27.

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Consecutive number of times Dayton has lost in Cincinnati to Xavier. The last time the Flyers won in the Queen City was on Jan. 10, 1981.

36

Total number of rebounds Xavier grabbed while defeating Dayton Wednesday, Jan. 30. The Musketeers out-rebounded the Flyers, 36-18.

Women's Basketball

FLYERS CONTINUE CRUISING IN A-10

DAN WHITAKER
Asst. Sports Editor

In what has become commonplace for the University of Dayton women's basketball team this season, the Flyers cruised to another blowout win in Atlantic 10 play against the University of Massachusetts 83-44 on Sunday, Jan. 27, at UD Arena.

The Flyers (17-1, 5-0 A-10) dominated in almost every facet of the game, including creating a season-high 31 turnovers. All nine players on the team who saw playing time recorded at least one of UD's 17 steals, and were led with three steals each from sophomore guard Andrea Hoover and freshman center Jodie Cornelie-Sigmundova, who also added three blocked shots.

According to Hoover, working on defense had been a focal point for the Flyers in recent weeks.

"[Defense] was a big focus point the last couple weeks; It really leads to our offense," Hoover said. "We get a lot of breaks and layups off of our steals, so that's really how we wanted to start the game."

In fact, UD scored 40 of their points off of turnovers, as well as 28 points in fast break situations. In total on offense, UD shot 49.2 percent (31-of-63) from the field and 80 percent (16-of-20) from the free throw line.

Leading UD on the offensive side of the ball was freshman guard Amber Deane and Hoover, who both scored 18 points. Sophomore and senior forwards Ally Mallot and Olivia Applewhite also added double-digit points with 14 and 13, respectively. Freshman guard Bre Elder scored a career-high eight points.

Despite the overall dominating statistical performance by the Flyers, there was one category where the Minutewoman came out on top, and that was rebounding. UD was out rebounded in the game 36-32, including an 11-10 edge in offensive rebounds for UMass. After the game, head coach Jim Jabir made it clear that he was not pleased with that statistical nugget.

"We need to work on our physicality and position, and we need to improve our boxing out effort," Jabir said. "Out-rebounding our opponents is something I take a lot of pride in. That's bothering me, and that's something

we'll work on."

Along with the physicality in the paint, the overall tone of the game was physical, as on numerous occasions UD players were slow to get up after a tough play. This included a flagrant foul called on UMass freshman forward Kim Pierre-Louis on UD's junior center Cassie Sant late in the second half with Dayton leading by 34.

However, Hoover said that they were expecting a physical game, and the team had worked on their physicality beforehand.

"For our scout, that was one of our goals was to control the physical side of the game," Hoover said. "Going to [the University of] Rhode Island, they were physical and we kind of backed off, so I think that's something that we were really trying to improve on. Today was a really good test for us."

The Flyers now improve to 5-0 to start A-10 play, and have won their first five conference games by an average of 37 points. Despite the dominant play, Jabir doesn't think this team will get into a lull when it faces stiffer competition.

"Our whole awareness and presence, everything is put on the present," Jabir said. "We're always doing everything as well as we can do it, it's not about the score. If we don't defend a ball screen right, I don't care if we're up or down forty, I don't care who we're playing. I want to defend it the right way so we try and keep sharp that way."

As for Hoover, she was much more blunt on her assessment of the season up to this point.

"We had a ton of things to work on," Hoover said. "We didn't really cover our ball screens very well. We still need to control the ball better. We just have a lot of things to work on. A lot of things were covered up with our intensity and hustle, but if we want to go far in the A-10 tournament or NCAA tournament, we need to clean a lot of things up."

The Flyers will continue A-10 play on the road with back-to-back games in the state of Virginia, against the VCU Rams on Wednesday, Jan. 30, and the Richmond Spiders on Sunday, Feb. 3, at 11 a.m.



Freshman guard Amber Deane (2) lays in a ball during a fast break during a game against University of Massachusetts, Saturday, Jan. 27, at UD Arena. ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/MANAGING EDITOR

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Men's Basketball

DAYTON FALLS AT XAVIER IN CLOSING SECONDS



The Dayton bench reacts after falling to rival Xavier 66-61 at the Cintas Center in Cincinnati. Dayton has not won against Xavier in Cincinnati since Jan. 10, 1981.
ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/MANAGING EDITOR

STEVEN WRIGHT
Sports Editor

Redshirt sophomore Matt Derenbecker got an open look at a 3-pointer to tie the game with seconds remaining, but after it rimmed in-and-out, players were left to scratch at their heads yet again.

In a back-and-forth second half, the University of Dayton men's basketball team came up short again in falling to Xavier University 66-61. The loss extended Dayton's streak, which started on Jan. 10, 1981, of not winning against Xavier in Cincinnati another year.

Leading by one in the final 32 seconds, Xavier was able to twice gather a rebound off the front end of a missed one-and-one. Sophomore guard Dee Davis finally connected on two free throws following the second offensive rebound, putting Xavier up by three with 18.2 seconds left.

According to head coach Archie Miller, he used his remaining two timeouts to set up a final play after

he saw Xavier go into a zone defense it uses to defend inbounds passes.

The shot Dayton wanted would not fall though and a pair of free throws from sophomore forward Justin Martin with a second left sealed the victory for Xavier.

For the game, Xavier held a 36-18 rebounding advantage and scored 35 second chance points to Dayton's 10.

"I thought they played with great toughness and great energy," Miller said. "They willed themselves to a victory there with their ability to rebound the ball. It pretty much starts and stops with that."

Dayton was led by redshirt junior guard Vee Sanford, who scored a game-high 16 points on 8-of-13 shooting from the field. Redshirt senior guard Kevin Dillard was the only other Dayton player in double-figures with 12 points, all coming in the second half.

"It was the game I thought we were capable of winning, but we got out-rebounded and that kind of set us back a little bit," Dillard said. "To

their credit, they played a tough game and we couldn't get it done. They always make sure they kept one or two bodies in front of me and I was forced to give it up."

Xavier sophomore guard Dee Davis was awarded the Blackburn-McCafferty MVP award with a 14-point performance, with a 66 percent field goal percentage and made two of his three shots from the 3-point line.

Dayton in a two-minute span in the middle of the first half was able to come up with three consecutive steals, the last of which helped cap an 8-0 run for Dayton to take a 20-19 lead with just over six minutes left in the half.

Derenbecker in the first half went 3-for-4 from 3 before exiting the half with his second foul with 3:46 left.

"We didn't lose because Matt missed the shot, obviously," Miller said. "You know, he kept us in the game with some big three's when things weren't going really well for us."

Derenbecker said he stayed posi-

tive about his missed shot after the game because it was the same type of shot he always looks for.

"I don't really want to hang my head because if I get another shot like that again, I'm going to take it and hopefully it goes in this time," Derenbecker said.

Xavier went into the break with a 31-27 lead, but Dillard helped Dayton get the lead back early in the second half with a pair of 3's. Xavier quickly answered though with five straight points that was a part of an 11-2 run over four and a half minutes to take a 47-40 lead with 11:03 left.

After a Dayton timeout, it would come back by scoring on three of its next four possessions in cutting the Xavier lead down to two. Still, Dayton could not keep Xavier off the boards enough to get the stops it needed. Miller said Dayton just could not resolve the issue all night, and it's something the team will have to look at after the game.

"I think what we're going to do is take inventory and if some things

need to be moved around and if some guys need different roles, we obviously have to go in that direction because of tonight's loss," Miller said. "I don't want to say that we're soft...but tonight was a night we have to look at that film and say, 'This was the biggest game of the season. Why wasn't that area in check?'"

Dayton has had several close calls to ending the streak the past few seasons, now losing the last four games it has played in the Cintas Center by an average of four points. While Derenbecker's three would not have sealed a victory, it could have at least gave Dayton five more minutes to get a chance to get one.

"I don't know if it could have went down any further without rimming out, but the basketball gods don't reward you when you don't deserve to win," he said. "Our team didn't earn the right to win tonight because we didn't play with toughness on the backboard."