Bundles of FN found in trash, UDPD investigates

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University of Dayton police are investigating suspected criminal mischief after approximately 550 copies of Flyer News went missing throughout campus last week.

Flyer News managing editor William Garbe reported to university police that unknown subjects moved between 250 and 300 copies of the paper from the newsstand into the trash receptacles by the Kennedy Union ride board Thursday, Nov. 29 between 4:15 and 5:15 p.m. Garbe also phoned police about three hours later to report another 30 or so copies found in the trash on the sixth floor of Roesch Library by Garbe and Scott Zingale, the newspaper’s circulation manager.

About 225 more copies were suspected missing from Humanities and St. Joseph Hall on Friday, Nov. 30.

Alpha & Omega employee Kathy Hall told police she also discovered several Flyer News copies in the trash while doing custodial work around 4 p.m. outside the KU cafeteria. Hall said some of the copies were still bundled together when she returned them to the stand.

Garbe told police that the papers are received from the printer in 100-copy bundles and are placed in the stands with the bundle removed. The junior communications major was unable to explain why there were copies of the paper still bundled together in the trash receptacles, according to the incident report.

Hall, who has worked in KU for about a year, told Flyer News that the issue 18 copies were left bundled together in the trash and that it was the first time she’d seen the bundles left uncut after being placed in the stand.

Hall found copies of the Flyer News issue in the trash again on Friday, less than 24 hours after the initial report was filed. She said the trash can in Kennedy Union contained about three hours later to report

In response to this attack against your newspaper, UDPD has launched a criminal mischief investigation into solving this crime. We firmly believe this crime will be solved and recognized as theft.

Individual copies of our product are “free” for our community members, but it is certainly not “free” to produce. The university supports our publication with significant financial backing. That financial backing is supplemented by the funds of our advertisers, who pay for ads in exchange for access to our readers.

Moreover, our writers, photographers, designers, artists, editors and business and distribution staffs collectively spend hundreds of hours each week producing and delivering this product. We are editorially independent, and the university has no prior review over our work.

We do this 40 times an academic year because we believe strongly in the value and importance of telling the whole University of Dayton story – even if it is sometimes unpopular to do so.

These suspects were unsuccessful due to the hard work of our staff, the Department of Public Safety, Alpha & Omega staff, the Division of Student Development and the Student Press Law Center.

We ask you, our readers, to join us in sending these suspects a clear message: Stealing newspapers is a crime, and our community will not tolerate it. If you have any information about this crime, we encourage you to contact us at editor@udayton.edu, or call Public Safety at 937-229-2121.

It has been and will continue to be our pleasure to bring you exceptional collegiate journalism in a manner befitting a Catholic, Marianist university. For 60 volumes, we’ve stood on guard and on your side. Thanks for standing on ours, too.

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UD grad wins award for book

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Non-violent means of resistance are twice as effective as violent means in producing political change, according to Erica Chenoweth and Maria Stephan in their book “Why Civil Resistance Works: The Strategic Logic of Non-Violent Conflict.”

Chenoweth graduated from the University of Dayton in 2002 with a bachelor’s degree in political science and German. She currently works in the University of Denver’s Josef Korbel School of International Studies and directs the Program on Terrorism and Insurgency Research.

She was also a fellow at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government, Stanford University’s Center for International Security and Cooperation, and the University of California-Berkeley’s Institute of International Studies, according to her website ericachenoweth.com.

The book provides an in-depth analysis of more than a century’s worth of political struggle and examines the results of those conflicts to conclude the superior efficiency of non-violent resistance.

Chenoweth and Stephan won the 2013 University of Louisville Graemeeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order for their work. The award is “presented annually to the winner of a competition designed to stimulate the recognition, dissemination and critical analysis of outstanding proposals for improving world order” according to graemeeyer.org.

The award is one of five given each year since 1984. The remaining four are for contributions to music theory, education, psychology and religion, the last of which is jointly presented by the university and the Louisville Presbyterian Theological seminary. The awards accompany a prize of $100,000.

Chenoweth and Stephan collected data on and evaluated the outcomes of every known uprising between 1900 and 2006 of at least 1,000 people that related to a country’s secession, overthrow of a dictatorship or removal of a foreign occupation.

From their sample of 323 campaigns they were able to demonstrate that civil resistance has been twice as likely to succeed as armed struggle in overthrowing regimes and resisting foreign occupation, according to a chapter excerpted from the book hosted on harvard.edu.

The pair also found that governments that had changed through non-violent means of resistance had a much higher likelihood of staying or becoming a stable democracy than those that underwent violent campaigns.

They further discovered that the strategic advantage of civil resistance was true regardless of geography, regime dimension and level of repression used against the uprising. However, the benefit of non-violent did not hold steady across time: non-violent non-cooperation has actually become more effective with each decade, according to harvard.edu.

The book explains that the success of non-violence is in part due to the methods used to carry it out: weaponless civilians tended towards protests, strikes, boycotts and demonstrations—much like those of the civil rights movement of the 1960s—while violent campaigns utilized assassinations and bombings.

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she removed the copies from the trash and delivered them to KU associate director Lennie Pressock’s office. Pressock returned the copies to the stand where they were legitimately circulated without further incident, according to Hall.

“It was so odd,” Hall said. “I’ve never seen anything like that here before. But then I picked up the paper and read the [front page] article and it started to make sense why some people wouldn’t want some of that information being thrown around.”

The front page of Flyer News issue 18 contained material that detailed alleged criminal behavior by 80 students, including 40 members of the Iota Theta chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity at UD. The fraternity is on interim suspension while investigations regarding the off-campus event continue. Attempts to contact Sigma Chi chapter president Matthew Walters were unsuccessful.

On Friday, Garbe met with Bill Fischer, the vice president of Student Development, who Garbe said expressed disappointment over the incident.

Most of the copies were salvaged and were able to return to stands. UD police is actively investigating the incident, and the department had no official suspects or further witnesses by the time of publication.

Persons with information about the crime are encouraged to contact Flyer News at editor@udayton.edu, or call Public Safety at 937-229-2212.

Flyer News will continue to follow this story as it develops.
UD mourns loss of respected engineering professor

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The University of Dayton lost a highly respected professor and researcher on Friday, Nov. 23. Dilip Ballal, who first joined UD in 1983, passed away from non-small cell lung cancer.

According to John Leland, the director of the University of Dayton Research Institute, Ballal had been suffering from the disease for about a year. However, Leland said Ballal never lost his composure and dignity.

“When you observed him in the workplace he always showed optimism and dignity,” Leland said. “He always surrounded himself with his friends and colleagues and was always an honorable man.”

Leland said he first heard Ballal’s passing from an email received Saturday afternoon.

According to Ballal’s university profile, he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in chemical engineering from the College of Engineering in Bhopal, India, along with a mechanical engineering master’s degree and Ph.D. from Cranfield Institute of Technology in England.

Upon coming to UD, Ballal became head of UDRI’s Energy and Environmental Engineering division, where as of his passing he was one of the university’s highest-paid employees.

In addition to his research, Ballal served as the Hans von Ohain Distinguished Professor and Researcher, according to an article published by UDRI on Sept. 30, 1999. According to the same article, von Ohain was one of the inventors of the jet engine and a former UD professor and researcher.  “He [Ballal] was the catalyst and the person who drove the representation of the university in that area,” Leland said. “Beyond that, he was such an incredible mentor to everyone around him.”

According to Ballal’s university profile page, he was elected as an American Society of Mechanical Engineers fellow in 1992 as well as an American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics fellow in 1993. Ballal also won the AIAA’s Energy Systems Award in 1993, recognized for specific contributions to the field of energy.

Ballal received ASME’s R. Tom Sawyer Award in 2011. According to the ASME, the R. Tom Sawyer Award is given to individuals who have made “contributions to advance the purpose of the Gas Turbine Industry and to the International Gas Turbine Institute over a substantial period of time.”

“He [Ballal] was an incredible individual and incredibly accomplished,” Leland said. “He won awards and at the same time was regarded as a humble, caring and honorable personable individual. You don’t get that package often.”

Leland said that a funeral service for Ballal occurred on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at the Newcomer Funeral Home and was incredibly well attended.

According to Leland, there was one person on a business trip from California who knew Ballal and attended the service. Leland also said that the service was well-represented by the UD community with many professors and students.

In addition, Leland said there were a number of people from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base because a vast majority of Ballal’s research was funded by the U.S. Air Force.

According to Ballal’s obituary published online by the funeral home, he leaves behind a wife, two children and two grandchildren. In addition, Leland said that Ballal also leaves behind a UD community that truly respected him as a person, even more so than the impressive accomplishments he had accumulated during his career.

“You don’t replace a person like Dilip. Dilip’s irreplaceable,” Leland said. “Dilip was just an incredible gentleman, professional and caring person.”

Author addresses immigration, migration issues

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University of Dayton students learned about immigration issues through the experiences of award-winning author Ana Castillo as she presented for the University of Dayton Speaker Series on Thursday, Nov. 29.

Castillo, a Chicana feminist activist, approached the subject at her talk through the lens of her own experiences. She shared excerpts from her poems and novels, depicting the lives and struggles of people affected by these issues.

“Chicana feminists like Castillo understand their position in this country as shaped by ethnicity, class and gender, and they are committed to working against the marginalization of Mexican-Americans within the U.S. and of women within Latino cultures and within the broader U.S. society more generally,” said Sheila Hassell Hughes, chairwoman of the English department.

One of her most recent novels, “The Guardians,” was written about a Mexican family who immigrated to the United States illegally, focusing on the life and struggles of the mother as she works as a teacher’s aide in New Mexico.

Hughes said that Castillo’s message worked well with this year’s speaker series theme of “Education for Transformation.”

“Given the changing demographics of American schooling over the past 150 years—and in the last decade or so especially—we see migration and immigration as crucial issues to consider in any discussion of education,” Hughes said.

The theme of Castillo’s talk also fit well with other speakers in this year’s series, Hughes said. “We thought that Castillo’s critical and creative examination of immigration and migration could offer an interesting pairing with Isabel Wilkerson’s address on her book about the Great Migration of African-Americans north (‘The Warmth of Other Suns’), which was scheduled earlier in the month (Nov. 13).”

Students who attended the event said that they took away a lot of new information about immigrant struggles and Mexican-American culture.

Patrick Thibodeaux, a sophomore entrepreneurship and international business major at UD who attended the talk, said that he thought UD students could learn a lot from Castillo’s experiences.

“We don’t have that much diversity here on campus,” Thibodeaux said. “It’s good for us to know about these issues, a lot of us are from the Midwest and don’t really hear about this.”

Soleil Verse, a 2012 UD graduate with a bachelor’s degree in English, said that as a writer she could relate to Castillo’s message of the importance of identifying with your own culture and experience.

“If you’re not writing for yourself, about your own experiences, then someone else will have to write about them and won’t have the complete story,” Verse said.

Hughes said that not only was Castillo’s presentation informative for the students, but it also reflected Dayton’s Marianist values.

“Embracing and addressing the concerns of the diverse communities that constitute our society is crucial to any system that seeks to be both adaptive and transformative—and both of these are key Marianist educational values,” she said.

For more information on the UD Speaker Series, visit go.udayton.edu/speakerseries/.
Students create artwork for new women’s shelter

A group of University of Dayton students recently took action in the massive and often overlooked child sex trafficking issue in Ohio.

Juniors Erin Peery, a business management major, Marie McDaniel, a pre-med major, Emily May, a pre-physical therapy major, Erin Heldman, a marketing major, Kimlee Petrus, a pre-med major and Nikki Hanger, an environmental biology major, decided to address the problem together.

The six roommates decided to help out by contributing artwork for a new shelter that is being built for children under the age of 18 who have been rescued from the sex trade.

According to Peery, the new home, GraceHaven, will have 10 beds and the resources needed to rehabilitate and counsel the rescued girls.

Peery explained that she and her roommates all had a very deep interest and concern for the sex trafficking problem both in Ohio and on a larger scale. Unable to donate money, they felt that they could at least organize an event through UD that could help GraceHaven get on its feet.

“There are so many rules and codes that GraceHaven has to adhere to,” Peery said. “It’s all very expensive and difficult to coordinate.”

Peery says that the group decided that they could use their own talents, and those of other students, to provide artwork to fill GraceHaven and make the environment homier and more comfortable.

“Even a splash of color, and an art piece that each resident [at GraceHaven] can call her own allows some sense of ownership in a world that has mistreated them, and brings a sense of hope,” McDaniel said.

They held an event in ArtStreet studio E on Nov. 26 that was aimed first at producing artwork, and second at raising awareness about human sex trafficking Peery said.

“I loved being able to spread the word about sex trafficking which is such a major issue, but is often swept under the rug and not talked about,” May said. “Many of the people who came to our event were shocked by the statistics and some didn’t even know what sex trafficking was.”

Peery said that students with an interest were invited to come and produce paintings that were coordinated with paint samples from the rooms at GraceHaven. More than 50 pieces were created.

“The support at the event was so strong that we actually had to turn people away because we had made all the art already,” Peery said.

In addition to the canvas paintings that were carefully planned to match the rooms, in the GraceHaven house, Heldman said that small wooden boxes were also made.

“The boxes that students painted were also a huge hit for the people who were too intimidated to paint on a canvas,” Heldman said.

Many of the people that attended but were not artistically inclined wrote encouraging notes to place in the trinket boxes, Peery said.

The organizers felt that the event was a huge success.

“When we first started this project I don’t think any of us realized what potential it had for success, but we are all pleased with the way it turned out,” May said. “It wouldn’t have happened without each and every one of us or without the students here at UD.”

Peery said that UD is actively involved in the human trafficking issue on an ongoing basis through the human rights department, the New Ab-

UD professor releases book on human rights organizations

In a new book, a University of Dayton political science professor addresses the work of human rights organization, aimed at reaching a youth audience.


According to Ghere, he attempts to give readers a sense of what the major leadership and developmental challenges are within non-governmental organizations.

The 250-page book also provides career development advice for students interested in pursuing a job path in the humanitarian field.

Ghere, an associate professor in the political science department, described NGOs as organizations with no governmental power in and of themselves attempting to enact change in the world. He noted the power dynamics within NGOs as one of the main focuses of his book.

“Governmental agencies have legal authority,” Ghere said. “However, NGOs must persuade people to do things. One common characteristic between NGOs is a lack of any formal power. It’s an interesting situation for a leader because you have to teach people how to be effective persuaders in terms of changing minds.”

According to Ghere, his book is not only useful for those interested in human rights, but also significant for the entire university community.

“The book’s main concern is human rights,” Ghere said. “More importantly, however, it is about leadership. UD emphasizes leadership and service and, although this book focuses on a particular sector, it has broader lessons about leadership in general. All professionals can be leaders regardless of their title in an organization.”

Ghere said while he mostly teaches classes in public administration, he also taught NGO Management and Development in the spring of 2012 in which he utilized the unpublished version of his book. He mentioned he is currently using his book in some of his other courses.

Ghere said he kept his students in mind while researching and writing his book.

“My students influenced me, so I tried to write it in a way that would be engaging,” Ghere said. “I used lots of examples, quotes and even humor when possible to make things interesting. If it’s not interesting to me, it’s not going to be interesting to anyone else. I also focused on career preparation specifically for students.”

Hillary Cook, a former student of Ghere, experienced the inner workings of humanitarian organizations first hand while volunteer in Malawi two summers ago.

Cook said she found Ghere’s book helpful in further understanding the key issues within NGOs.

“I read most of the book last year in his NGO Leadership course,” Cook, a senior communication and political science major, said. “I appreciated Dr. Ghere’s contemporary look at how NGOs should implement developmental projects and humanitarian aid. I thought his most important point in the book is and how you can’t go into a country and tell them what they need. The people have to need and want it back, too.”

According to Ghere, his book, published by Kumarian Press, will be available in print and e-book. He said he expected it to be on sale Wednesday, Dec. 5.

For more information about “NGO Leadership and Human Rights,” visit kpbooks.com.
The University of Dayton student section holds up signs and tries to distract a Northern Illinois University player during a free throw during a basketball game at UD Arena, Dec. 1. UD won 60-43.

ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/MANAGING EDITOR

Update: Stonemill house fire, ‘no clear cause’

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After more than a month, a fire that happened inside a University of Dayton-owned residence still has five seniors waiting to move into a new house.

A basement fire occurred at 423 Stonemill Rd. around 12:30 a.m. on the night of Oct. 27 as more than 20 people were inside the house for a Halloween party. The damage from the fire forced the group to move out. Jake Clancy, a civil engineering major, said the residents of the house are currently living in an alumni house on Brown Street on a temporary basis until next semester.

He said the university has not yet decided where he and his roommates will live during the spring semester. Clancy said the university told him and his roommates around two weeks ago that the five would have to wait on moving into a new house until UD knew how many seniors would be graduating this December and if there would be any housing vacancies.

Clancy said the university brought in a variety of investigators and engineers to survey the damage from the fire. According to Clancy, it was determined there was no clear cause for the fire because there were “too many different perspectives” among the investigators.

He said the whole process of moving and not knowing where he is going to live in the coming months has been unsettling.

“It’s definitely been frustrating with all the moving and school work,” Clancy said. “The university has been great though. ... They said it doesn’t matter whose fault it is, we’ll take care of the costs. They were like we just want to get you situated next semester and focus on school work.”

No one was injured in the blaze and the only personal belongings that were damaged were two speakers and an entertainment table, according to Clancy.

He said the university still has one senior living in the home on Brown Street until next semester and focus on school work.

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**Olive gives new life, meaning to concept of dive restaurants**

The former Wympee building at 416 E. Third St. is now home to Olive, An Urban Dive. ETHAN KLOSTERMAN/ MANAGING EDITOR

A sign on the orange colored wall states a simple message that reads, “Love people, cook them tasty food.”

At Olive - An Urban Dive, that’s a motto the restaurant lives by.

Olive is a locally owned and operated restaurant on the corner of Third Street and Wayne Avenue in the Oregon District that claims it features the freshest Mediterranean cuisine in Dayton.

The restaurant was first opened 18 months ago by former Schuster Center employee Kimberly Gilbert, who bought the diner - an old Wympee’s burger stand - cleaned it out and built everything by hand from the tables to the bar, which is made out of a piece of wood first chopped down by Gilbert’s grandfather more than 60 years ago.

The homemade feel of everything in the diner is something that Gilbert continually stresses, according to manager Sandy Bowden.

“Everything about this restaurant has a homemade feel to it,” Bowden said. “From the tin on the outside to the wood on the inside. She wants people to feel like they’re eating at home.”

To prepare the best food possible, Gilbert believes that a restaurant must have the freshest ingredients possible, a requirement that Olive fulfills every day.

“Every meal we make is prepared with food that comes from one of over 60 different local farmers or purveyors, and everything is only made with the freshest goods,” Bowden said. “We like to brag that we don’t even own a can opener or a microwave.”

In addition to local and cage-free offerings, Olive caters to a variety of diets, including paleo, vegan and gluten-free.

When I went to Olive for brunch last week, I was greeted by a cozy, upscale diner reminiscent of a downtown Manhattan eatery. The outside of the restaurant, which still bears the Wympee’s logo on the side, bears a contrast to the sleek inside. I was able to try one of its most popular breakfast dishes, the breakfast tacos.

The breakfast tacos are made with changing ingredients based on what’s fresh that day, though they usually consist of some combination of raised beef, chipotle sour cream, cilantro and salsa verde with assorted cheeses. Everything is prepared and chopped fresh in the kitchen, and that’s apparent by the incredible taste that comes just the right amount of herbs and spices.

The restaurant is also one of less than 300 vendors in the U.S. that serves Jenny’s Splendid Ice Cream, a treat Bowden calls “the Willy Wonka of Ice Creams.”

Junior early childhood education major Mimi Sweeney said she had the Tuscan grilled cheese when she went to Olive.

“It was delicious. It came with a sweet potato soup that was perfect for dipping the sandwich in,” Sweeney said. “The house salad was great, too.”

Sweeney also commented on the restaurant as a whole.

“It’s a very relaxed place, and everyone there is friendly,” she said. “It’s a great place to take a date to.”

Olive also distinguishes itself from its competition through charitable and environmental means. The restaurant gives back 20 percent of its profit to the community, and recycles an estimated 85-90 percent of its waste.

“Everything we can possibly compost is composted, and everything we can possibly recycle is recycled,” Bowden said. “We actually won an award last year for being so green.”

According to Bowden, the first 18 months of Olive have been a resounding success.

“We just had our 40,000th customer last month. We couldn’t ask for much more,” Bowden said. “This is my family here.”

Olive - An Urban Dive is open for lunch from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, for dinner from 5-10 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and for brunch on Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For more information about Olive, check it out for yourself at 416 E. Third St., or visit their website at olivedive.com.

**Relieve finals week stress, anxiety with meditation**

As Andy Williams once expressed about Christmas, “It’s the most wonderful time of the year!” Yet, along with the glistening winter snow and delicious holiday feasts comes the terrible sensation of stress. As college students, the dreadfulness of final exams is fast approaching, which means there is no better time than now to roll out that yoga mat!

The art of meditation and yoga are both practices that truly have the power to transform your life. If you suddenly are picturing a big-bellied Buddha sitting atop a mountain in deep concentration, you should know that such a practice is widely accepted and even encouraged today.

In a holistic sense, having a form of spiritual practice is the best way to ease tension during life’s challenging assignments. We often find ourselves searching outward to find fulfillment in our lives. We allow our fearful thoughts to consume our energy and keep us awake at night. Our desire to take control of the world around us forces our mind to forget that we have the ability to shift our perceptions in a positive direction.

In the midst of the stressful weeks to come, take a few moments to find inner peace, and remember a few of these tips as you take on the world around you. Nothing is required of you besides an open mind and heart.

**Understanding the Ego**

The first lesson any inner activist must learn is to differentiate between a fearful thought and a thought of love. According to Marianne Williamson, bestselling author and spiritual teacher, we were born with only loving thoughts.

It is over time that we learn the fears of the world around us. The ego is the power of our own minds turned against us, pretending to be our champions, yet, in reality, its undermining all of our hopes and dreams. During the stressful final exam time, recognize the crazy stories your ego is telling you. Release these negative, fearful thoughts, and turn inward to remember the truth.

If your ego is telling you that you will fail your chemistry final or that you have no chance of getting that job you applied for, remember that only loving thoughts are real and that you have the power to shift your perceptions.

**Release the “When I Have”**

Gabrielle Bernstein, teacher of the metaphysical text “A Course in Miracles” describes the “When I Have” as an experience where you believe you will only be happy when you receive what you desire in the outside world.

Take a moment to challenge your desires. Are you telling yourself that you will only be happy when you land that perfect job, GPA or significant other?

You must release these notions and understand that you have all that you need within. Your happiness and inner peace is not dictated from what is out there,’ but rather what is inside of you. Understand that the universe is conspiring in your favor, and that if you release the blocks to your awareness, you will be guided to where you need to be.

**Meditate to Expand Time**

You may be saying to yourself that you don’t have time to meditate. My response for you is to ask if you have enough time to feel stressed. We must take the necessary time to turn to our spiritual practice for help and energetic support. In the next week or so, you will possibly approach a stressful situation where you feel you cannot accomplish the monumental task before you. Turn inward with a meditation. Ask the universe to expand time and provide you with the necessary energy and creativity you will need as well as inspiration to get you through the day.

When you show up to your challenges with an intention of energy, purpose and inspiration, you are inviting a presence greater than yourself to guide you to success.

**Affirm**

Affirmations are a highly useful tool in shifting your perceptions. Based on the fears your ego has been sharing with you, create an affirmation which disagrees with that negative thought. If your ego says you are not smart enough to pass this test, write your affirmation as “I am smart enough to accomplish what lies before me.” Recite this every time the negative thought holds space in your mind.

**Take a “Fiver”**

The beauty of meditation is that it can be done just about anywhere, and it can take as little as a few seconds. Whenever you are in need of a mind shift, give yourself five minutes of cleansing thoughts.

Just before an exam, sit silently off to the side and close your eyes. You may upturn your palms if you feel comfortable. Connect to your breath and allow yourself to feel positive energy flow throughout your body. Recite an affirmation of acceptance and success. Remind yourself that you have all the tools you need with you and calmly release your fear and anxiety.
**Tattoos reflect meaning, commemorate personal events**

**AMANDA DEE**
Staff Writer

After half an hour of pain, freshman Alison Brock had been permanently etched with the words “I put it all on the line and pray that God gets me through it.”

The Machine Gun Kelly lyrics adorning her side spark skepticism from both friends and strangers. She is constantly bombarded with questions like, “Won’t you regret it?”

Her answer is no.

“You don’t regret good memories,” Brock said. “That’s just how other people feel. It doesn’t change how I feel about it.”

Brock said tattoos are often stigmatized. Her parents associated them with personnel in the Navy and people in prison. The reaction to Brock’s tattoos is frequently surprise or shock. She has been told she doesn’t “seem like a tattoo person.”

Yet, tattoos are an art form. Cloak and Dagger Tattoo Studio artist Jeremy McGrady attended art school before securing a job at the Brown Street parlor.

He said the culture and music revolving around tattoos attracted him to this job.

McGrady works on University of Dayton students and Dayton residents alike. Brock received her second tattoo from Cloak and Dagger. Girls frequent the parlor more than guys, and the current popular trend for girls is quotes on the foot, McGrady said.

Every tattoo carries its own meaning. Shows like “L.A. Ink” share the stories behind customers’ tattoos. Brock attributes the rising tattoo trend to more leniency and acceptance in the workplace. Freshman human rights and political science major Jonathan Puricelli believes the individual nature behind a tattoo causes its popularity among young adults.

His tattoo was a way to express a story and a piece of his past. “Bona Vita” emblazones one of his closest friend’s struggle with drugs and his journey to recovery.

“When people decide that they can be who they want to be and that they can mold themselves into whatever they choose, the concept of a tattoo becomes a purely personal choice,” Puricelli said.

Each tattoo has a personal meaning behind it, and music was the factor that molded Brock’s tattoo. “Music has always meant a lot to me,” she said. “Music kind of gotten me out of… not a dark place… but put me in a better place. I thought it would be a great idea to commemorate it with body art.”

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**Christmas on Campus to brighten local kids’ holiday season**

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The Christmas on Campus committee is excited to continue its 49-year tradition of making Christmas a little brighter for area children on Friday, Dec. 7, according to Kristi Schumacher, a COC public relations co-chairwoman.

The theme this year is ‘To All a Good Night’ because everyone has a Christmas memory attached to this saying, Schumacher said. When a person thinks of Christmas, he or she associates it with having a magical night and with Santa Claus and childhood years, she said.

“It is our hope that students can create these wonderful memories for the children that come to COC,” said Deanna Tomaselli, a public relations co-chairwoman for COC.

COC is held each December and strives to connect the University of Dayton to the Dayton community. Dayton students are able to get out of the “UD Bubble” and see how people live in Dayton outside of campus, Tomaselli said.

The COC committee is excited for Barnes and Noble to donate toys for each child that comes to campus, Schumacher said. The committee is also donating educational material for the children, she said.

Another new aspect of COC this year is that it will take place on Dec. 7 rather than on Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, because Dec. 8 is a Saturday this year, Tomaselli said.

There will be new characters visiting campus including Buzz Lightyear and Woody from “Toy Story,” Schumacher said.

Skyline, Smoothie King, Boston Stoker and Caribou Coffee are all donating to the event, and there will be Domino’s pizza available, Tomaselli said.

Other events will include Santa entering on a fire truck, reindeer and cookie decorating. A detailed nativity scene ice sculpture will also be at the event, Schumacher said.

There is also an ongoing hat and mitten drive. Tomaselli said most of the kids do not have hats or mittens when it is chilly out, so they can be handed out that night. Donations can be brought to the COC office in Kennedy Union 210 until Thursday, Dec. 6.

There will also be a cookie donation with a goal to collect 12,000 cookies that will be handed out on the night of Christmas on Campus, Schumacher said. Cookies can be brought to KU 222 beginning 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4, until Dec. 7, she said.

The COC committee is excited for students to come out and celebrate this tradition as a community with more than 1,100 kids that look forward to the event every year.

“We are excited to make this Christmas on Campus the best year yet,” Schumacher said.
ROBBED:

Newspaper thefts around the country stifle students’ voices.

Newspaper theft, whether committed in order to censor stories, photos or advertisements deemed unfavorable to an individual or group or perpetrated as a prank, robs the public of information to which they have a right to know. It’s an act of censorship, plain and simple.

According to the Student Press Law Center, there have been 27 newspaper thefts on American college campuses this year—the highest recorded number since 2002. Below are some examples of incidents in 2012, as documented on the SPLC’s website:

- February 2, Eastern Washington University: up to 530 copies of The Easterner were stolen after publishing a feature on a drug bust involving members of the Sigma Nu fraternity. Nobody was charged.
- February 24, Georgia College and State University: 460 copies of The Colonade were stolen in order to protect a student who was the subject of a drug crime story. The students were caught and reimbursed the newspaper.
- April 13, University of Vermont: 200 copies of The Vermont Cynic were stolen after publishing stories on campus crime. Nobody was charged.
- April 18, San Antonio College: 250 copies of The Ranger were stolen for unknown reasons. An article had recently been published online which discussed the death of a professor, inciting controversy among students and faculty.
- April 27, Bridgewater State University: 300 copies of The Comment were stolen. The paper had published an article naming a rape victim who spoke at a public sexual assault prevention event and another that criticized tuition hikes. Nobody was charged.
- September 24, Western Illinois University: 1500 copies of The Western Courier were stolen after publishing an article about a crime on campus. The paper is free but editors were able to convince police to investigate. Nobody was charged.
- September 24, Western Illinois University: 1500 copies of The Western Courier were stolen after publishing an article about a crime on campus. The paper is free but editors were able to convince police to investigate. Nobody was charged.
- November 29, University of Dayton: 550 copies of Flyer News were stolen which contained a few potentially controversial stories, including a front page article about Sigma Chi’s interim suspension and a letter to the editor encouraging administrators to support the renewable energy movement on campus. At the time of writing, Public Safety is still investigating the incident as a case of criminal mischief.

Learning to survive office life

A new semester of cooperative education is about to begin. While the faculty and staff of the UD co-op department do a great job preparing students for the transition from school to work, there are certainly a few things that will surprise even the most confident students on their first day.

I was very fortunate to have been hired as a co-op at an engineering company in my hometown over the summer, and while I admittedly have a pretty limited experience with office life, I think there are a few things that I learned that are probably universal to all places that cubicles call home. Maybe I can help to break the ice for those who are as nervous about their first co-op as I was.

1. One of the most confusing parts about your job is filling out your timecard. Most students are probably used to working at an hourly rate where they clock in and out on one number. Now you’re about to move from an hourly wage to a salary, but that doesn’t mean you can stop counting hours. Many companies use timecards to track labor costs, and you may be surprised at how ridiculously confusing your timecard can be. You’ll probably be charging your time to upwards of half a dozen charge numbers, and don’t be surprised if you’re counting it by tenths of an hour. Learn how to fill out your (probably digital) timecard as soon as possible so that you don’t waste overhead time correcting your mistakes at the end of the week.

2. You can get any supplies you need (in three to five business days). Fortunately, every purchase, no matter how small, has to follow the proper sign-off procedure. File a purchase order as soon as you find out you need new supplies so that you will get them on time. While pens and pencils might not even require a purchase order, bigger things like software packages can take days or weeks.

3. You will be doing grunt work, and that’s OK. There are two types of co-ops – the ones who accept the fact that they are not a senior design engineer and the ones who do not. The latter is one of the most miserable creatures on earth. The co-op program is a win-win situation for you and your company. You get job experience and an awesome paycheck, and your employer gets to see how you perform on the job (an extended interview) and cheap labor.

4. Dilbert is the funniest thing that even was and ever will be. You will finally understand why Dilbert is funny. You will subscribe to the daily Dilbert newsletter. You will ador your cubicle with your favorite Dilbert strips. You will not try to fight it— you will embrace it. “Office Space” starts making more sense too.

5. Your boss wants you to succeed. Contrary to popular belief, your boss is probably not a monster. As a co-op, you’re not just UD’s student—you’re his or her student too. Don’t be afraid to ask them questions and learn from their advice. My supervisors this summer were awesome, and they taught me while it’s great to be self-sufficient, you don’t have to do everything on your own. Hopefully, every co-op will have a similar experience this spring too.

Word on the street...

How would solar panels affect the look of campus?

“‘It would show that we’re trying to go more green, so even if I did change the look of campus, it would be for the better.’”

LAUREN HANZEL
Sophomore
Middle Childhood Education

“‘I think they would change the traditional look of campus, but I would be in favor of adding them in a discreet manner.’”

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Mechanical Engineering

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“We’re moving toward being a more sustainable campus. We deal with forks and straws that break. Why not add solar panels?”

ERINN HAGAN
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Early Childhood Education
Automation hurts automotive experience

In some fields, technology can be a wonderful vehicle that drives toward progress and improvement. In other settings, like the auto industry, it can have the tendency to be over-intrusive.

I understand that technological developments in automotive history have resulted in tremendous progress in safety and efficiency, and I’m not detracting from that. I just get uncomfortable with the idea of over-automating every single function of the car. I dread the potential for total human disconnection with the driving experience that seems to be in our near future.

Think about some of today’s technologically advanced cars. The new Tesla Model S comes to mind. While a top-notch example of the potential of electric vehicles, it has a touch-screen display in the console bigger than most laptop computer screens. Is surfing the radio on a 17-inch, high definition touch screen entirely necessary? I feel like it could serve as more of a distraction from driving than anything else.

There are other automotive technologies designed for safety and convenience that many times end up obstructing the driver’s intentions. One day this summer, for example, I was behind the wheel of a new Audi sedan. I was borrowing the car, so it took me a minute or two just to set my seat and side mirrors to a desired position, which I set with the intention of having to back up. But when I put the car into reverse, the bossy little German computer system—which clearly knew better than a stupid human—re-adjusted all my settings, anticipating my plan to reverse. I was left unable to see anything but the pavement in my mirrors; thus, I practically hit a tree and had to spend twice as long re-adjusting my settings.

Some technologies even seem to be aimed toward removing all human involvement from driving. Many carmakers are beginning to incorporate autonomous braking in cars as a safety feature—like those Driver’s Ed vehicles we’ve all experienced, with that nightmarish second brake pedal, only now controlled by computers.

Earlier this year, Nevada became the first state to formally license autonomous cars, meaning that in that state, self-driving cars are allowed to drive alongside cars piloted by humans. California isn’t far behind from passing such legislation, either. Vehicle-to-vehicle communication and cameras are among the technologies making these cars possible.

I’m left wondering: What happened to making cars for the simple enjoyment of driving? I know in today’s world we’re used to the luxuries and conveniences of modern technology, but is the act of driving a car such a laborious endeavor that it needs to be reduced to full computer operation for the sake of relieving humans?

I get it. I’m a car guy, so I’m biased in thinking everyone must enjoy driving the way I do. Still, I just can’t understand the point of partially or fully automating the driving process for people who only think of cars as A-to-B machines. The thought of trusting computer technology to handle such a responsibility makes me feel like Will Smith’s character in “I, Robot.”

I know that no new technology is perfect. All will continue to improve over time. And in no way am I suggesting that such tools have no place in automotive development. By all means, throw lane-monitoring sensors on cars to tell us when we accidently stray into an adjacent traffic lane, make our headlights swivel on turns so we can better see into corners, give us cameras to help us back up safely in tight spots and integrate methods like direct injection into smaller displacement engines to improve fuel efficiency.

But when technology begins to interfere with the act of driving itself, or when it begins to have authority over our intentions, we need to re-evaluate its place in the automotive world. Because if we’re no longer going to allow ourselves to have control over the driving process, we might as well scrap all the cars in the world and embrace public transportation.

With championship looming, Notre Dame fans fret

On Jan. 7, 2013, the University of Notre Dame Fighting Irish will be playing for the BCS National Championship in Miami. With a record of 12-0, ND holds the only unbeaten record in the National Collegiate Athletic Association among Football Bowl Sub-division schools.

Despite that stat line, I have no idea how the Irish will fare against the University of Alabama, winner of the Southeastern Conference championship game.

ND has eluded defeat by the smallest margins time and time again this year. They are the Tim Tebow’s of this year: it may not always look pretty, but they find a way to win.

Nobody expected ND to be the No. 1 team in the nation before the season started. Fans and analysts alike looked at the schedule and said, “Wow, they’ve got a tough road this year.”

The Irish were supposed to have five tough games against Michigan State, Michigan, Stanford, Oklahoma and Southern California. ND was not even ranked in the preseason AP poll.

The only team that was ranked higher than the Irish when those matchups came around was MSU, who has finished the season with a mediocre 6-6 record. In hindsight, I think that the Stanford and Oklahoma wins turned out to be the only two “tough” games with the way the season has played out. A few “cupcake” games that were brushed to the side as automatic ND wins were anything but that. The Irish had to grind out three-point wins against Purdue, Brigham Young and Pittsburgh, teams that have combined for a .500 winning percentage this season. If a few plays go a little differently, those are all losses. They needed a game-winning field goal to beat Purdue. BYU missed a wide-open receiver in the last minute that could have been a touchdown. And Pitt missed a 33-yard field goal in overtime to win after they blew a 20-6 fourth quarter lead.

Then again, they convincingly beat Oklahoma in Norman, Okla., and had a goal-line stand against Stanford to seal the win.

I have no idea which Notre Dame team will show up for the national championship. Alabama head coach Nick Saban has a whole month to game plan for the Irish. That doesn’t bode too well for Notre Dame, but I can’t question their ability to win games. We’ll just have to wait and see.

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**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

**DAYTON SWEEPS ASU CLASSIC, IMPROVES TO 9-0**

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The University of Dayton women’s basketball team earned another tournament title at the ASU Classic from Saturday, Dec. 1 to Sunday, Dec. 2, to remain undefeated this season.

In the tournament’s title game on Sunday, Dayton came back from a 12-point halftime deficit to defeat tournament host Arizona State University 65-59. Dayton trailed by nine with 8:18 remaining but held ASU without a field goal over the next 7:58 and used a 13-3 run to take the lead for good.

Sophomore forward Ally Malott led the team with 20 points, including 14 in the second half. Senior guard Samantha MacKay also chipped in 17 points, and sophomore guard Andrea Hoover had a double-double win with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

"Their pressure was really bothering us," head coach Jim Jabir said. "We were taking decent shots [in the first half] but couldn’t really run any offense. We knew they were a good team, and they imposed their will on us defensively. We just found a way to win.

Dayton started the tournament with a convincing 82-58 win Saturday against University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

The win was all but decided by the end of the first half, as the nationally ranked Flyers held a 42-19 lead at halftime.

“We’ve been getting a lot of good contributions from our players,” Jabir said Saturday night. “We were very dominating in the first half and that was helpful.”

He said that his team’s defensive performance was far better against UNLV than it was last Wednesday against Wright State University.

In that game, the Flyers failed to retain their 26-point halftime lead. With eight minutes to play, the lead had been cut to 10 points.

Unlike with Wednesday, Jabir said he was pleased with how his team handled the pressure.

“We needed to contain the ball [against Wright State] and didn’t," he said, "We did a good job of that this game; we did a lot of things well this time ... And a lot of players stepped up.”

One of them, MacKay, had a career night against the Rebels, going for 18 points, seven rebounds and six steals.

“I had a good night tonight because of what my teammates did,” she said. “It’s good to have a night like that help our team win.”

MacKay said that going into halftime, the team was extremely focused on using their coach’s adjustments on defense and continuing to contain players from UNLV.

The Flyers caused 18 UNLV turnovers Saturday, including 12 steals.

MacKay was followed in scoring Saturday by sophomore guard Andrea Hoover who finished with 14 points. Dayton shot 47 percent from the field, while holding UNLV to just 36 percent.

This season, UD is winning by an average margin of more than 21 points, their best mark in the Jabir era. Malott has also played a major role in the success, averaging a team-best 13.4 points per game. She finished with 13 against the Rebels.

Malott is one of four players who together account for 48 of the team’s 86 points per game. On the defensive end, however, turnovers have remained a problem throughout the season. They’ve allowed 17 turnovers per game, while only forcing 18 on defense.

The team has meshed well together according to both MacKay and her coach.

“We played with intensity,” MacKay said. “We followed through on both ends of the court.”

MacKay was named the tournament’s MVP. Malott and Hoover were named to the All-Classic team.

Despite a near upset on Arizona State’s home court, the Flyers won its third and final in-season tournament of the year. Six of Dayton’s first nine games this season came in tournaments.

“I just love being around our team,” Jabir said. “They’re great kids and we don’t have any egos on this squad. Right now, rankings don’t really mean that much to us.”

The newest top 25 polls, however, released Monday and Tuesday, offered another history-making moment for the program. The Flyers retaining its spot in the rankings for three consecutive weeks is a first as a Division I program.

Jabir is one of the 32 coaches nationwide who casts a vote in the USA TODAY/Coaches poll each week.

When asked whether his team would earn his vote Tuesday, he responded: “Yes, I think they’ve earned it. They’ve definitely earned it.”

Dayton next hosts Michigan State University on Saturday, Dec. 8, at 1 p.m.

Sophomore forward Ally Malott shoots against Eastern Illinois University, Nov. 25, at UD Arena. MICKEY SHUEY/CHIEF SPORTS WRITER
Volleyball

Dayton exits NCAA tournament with second round loss

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The University of Dayton volleyball team concluded its season this past weekend following a 3-2 victory over Pepperdine University in the first round of the NCAA tournament, followed by a 3-0 loss to the University of Oregon in the second round on Saturday, Dec. 1.


After the game, head coach Kelly Sheffield expressed happiness with his team’s performance in the game.

“I’m really proud of our team,” Sheffield said. “It didn’t start out the way we were wanting to. Pepperdine had an awful lot of momentum, and we couldn’t set anything up to feel good about ourselves. They didn’t give up; they kept fighting. We made adjustments, got a little more comfortable. We knew it was going to be a heck of a war; it feels good to get the win though.”

UD was led in the game by junior middle blocker Shayne Brown, who according to Sheffield, “had the match of her life,” finishing with a career-high 19 kills, with a .547 attacking percentage. Senior outside hitter Rachael Krabacher led the team with 23 kills, as well as adding 18 aces. Senior setter Samantha Selsky had a team high 58 assists, and freshman libero Janna Krafka led the team in digs with 27.

Brown said that having played Pepperdine twice in the past really helped with her career game.

“We’ve played well the last two times we’ve seen them,” Brown said. “We just needed to go out, do our job and do what the scouting report tells us to do, and things will work out.”

Following the first two lost sets, Sheffield said that during the intermission, he rallied his team for a comeback.

“I said that if anybody thinks that we’re going to lose this match, look at me, and you will get confidence by looking at me,” Sheffield said. “There was not a part of me that thought we would lose that match. We just needed to keep fighting and battling, and find a way to squeak it out.”

Sheffield also said that he reminded them of the Atlantic 10 title game two weeks prior, where the Flyers came back from two sets down to take the championship.

In the second game of the tournament, the Flyers squared off against the No. 5 ranked team in the tournament, the Oregon Ducks. UD started off hot, taking the first set 15-25, and never looked back, finishing off the Flyers in straight sets, 20-25 and 21-25.

The Flyers were virtually dominated from start to finish, finishing with a .173 attacking percentage, to UD’s .350 percentage. The team only had one player in double digits in each of the three big statistics, with Krabacher finishing with 16 kills, Selsky having 27 assists and 11 digs for Krafka.

For the Flyers, the loss snapped their 19-game winning streak, and the team finished the season with a 27-7 record.

NBA’s Stern provides additional reason to ignore league

Not to sound too arrogant, but I would consider myself one of the biggest sports fan’s there is. You name it and I’ll watch it when it comes to sports.

However, I have one exception, and it’s a pretty big one. I refuse to watch the NBA.

Nothing about the league interests me in the slightest. It’s a league driven by its stars and completely neglects the whole point of a team game, the actual team part.

I can’t even name one other player on the Miami Heat besides the “Big Three.” The same goes for the Oklahoma City Thunder, and its own version of the “Big Three” that was recently broken up after the trade of James Harden.

It’s frustrating being the huge college basketball fan that I am, because I now view the NBA draft as the final send-off to all of my favorite players before they go to the black hole of a league that is the NBA.

Now this NBA bashing column did not just randomly pop into my head one day. It was set off by a recent event in the league.

In a game on Thursday, Nov. 29, the aforementioned Heat defeated the San Antonio Spurs 105-100. On the surface, a seemingly normal score in a seemingly normal NBA game, expect it’s really not.

Prior to this game, Spurs head coach Gregg Popovich announced that he would be sending four of his best players home, because they were fatigued and he wanted them to get an extra day off after a long road trip.

Now to me, this is a smart move by Popovich. Get your older players some extra rest, in what is a fairly long and arduous season. However to commissioner David Stern, this move was way out of line.

The commissioner said after Popovich made this move that some heavy penalties would be enforced, and that made me stop and just think, “penalties?” What kind of penalties could be enforced for making a beneficial coaching situation?

Well, apparently the penalties are a team $250,000 fine, for what Stern called a violation of league policy “against resting players in manner contrary to the best interests of the NBA.”

This example right here epitomizes why I have so much disdain for the NBA. You mean to tell me that the Spurs can’t make a strategic move to benefit the team later on in the season? The NBA is such a star driven league that the stars have no time to even sit out ONE game?

Would Bud Selig fine the Yankees for resting four of their best players any given day? No way in hell. That’s the greatest thing about sports. It combines the best talents of multiple players, all coming together for a common goal. Yet, in the NBA, if you have one or two good players, you’re set. If you have no superstars, you’re screwed.

Stern’s main reasoning was that this move was a disservice to the fans who went to the game expecting to see the best players play in the game. To me, that argument is ridiculous. If you go to a game, you go to root for a team, not the individual players. If your favorite players aren’t playing, tough luck. You should still be satisfied that you’re watching professionals play the game.

In the end, sitting the stars had no effect in the game, as it was a close one all the way through, until the Heat eventually pulled it out. However, the damage has been done, as now the standard has been set that the stars of the NBA now seem almost required to play every day. It’s a slippery slope that just makes me detest the NBA even more than I did before.

And to all the fans of the game that have disagreed with what I have said, enjoy watching the Los Angeles Lakers versus the Heat in the NBA Finals for the next five years.
Men’s Basketball

FLYERS TIE RECORD, CRUISE TO WIN OVER NIU

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The University of Dayton men’s basketball team scored its sixth point of the first half 3:23 into the game.

It would be all the points needed to lead at the break.

Dayton held Northern Illinois University to a NCAA record for fewest points in the first half with five points on its way to a 60-43 win on Saturday, Dec. 1, at UD Arena.

The five points tied a shot clock era record set by the University of Notre Dame against the University of California on Nov. 26, 2010, when ND led 21-5 at the half. The NCAA record for fewest points allowed in either half during the shot clock era is four by Kansas State University on Jan. 7, 2008 against Savannah State University.

“When I was at Ohio State, I think the other team had six at one point, but I’ve never seen five,” head coach Archie Miller said. “I think our defense had a lot to do with it.”

Dayton (5-2) held its opponent to just 10.5 percent shooting from the floor during the first half and did not allow a point for 16:02 of action, during which time the team built a 21-0 run to gain a large lead it was able to cruise with into halftime.

Dayton had three players score in double figures, including redshirt senior forward Josh Benson and junior forward Devin Oliver with 12 points each. Redshirt junior guard Vee Sanford added 11.

In total, 12 players saw playing time on Saturday, something Miller said the team has not had the luxury of this season because of injuries plaguing the time since the preseason. He said in having four young players, he is not sure what to expect out of them every night, which has not helped as far as setting a rotation, and expects the team’s veterans to step up more.

“The thing I’m concerned about the most is our older guys, the veteran guys,” he said. “How solid are they, how together are they, how excited are they every day. Are they ready to play? We can’t really afford not having those guys play at a high level to be successful.”

Despite holding NIU (1-5) to the low scoring total in the first half, Dayton was outscored 38-34 in the second half of action. Miller said he told his team at halftime to view the game as scoreless heading into the second half of play.

“We lost; that’s the message you try and send to the team,” Miller said. “We have a bad, disturbing trend right now. We’re a first half basketball team. I’m not sure where or when it’s going to change, but I know this, it’s going to bite us multiple times throughout the season if we continue to demonstrate inconsistencies on the defensive end from the first half to the second half.”

Miller’s message seemingly was already getting across to his players after the game.

“Honestly, we took a real stand on defense at first,” freshman forward Devon Scott said, who grabbed a career-high 10 rebounds in 17 minutes of action. “We took that as a chance to keep getting defensively better. We gave up 38 points. That can’t happen anymore. We just have to keep playing D like we did in the first half.”

Oliver said he thinks the second half will be good for the team later in the season in learning how to continue playing through the end of the game.

“We just have to improve, but when it’s all said and done, a win is a win,” Oliver said. “We just have to learn from it and move onto the next game.”

In a move seemingly that completed NIU’s woes on the night, the team was called for a technical foul with 1:21 remaining for attempting to call timeout when the team had none.

Dayton returns to action at the University of Alabama at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5, in Tuscaloosa, Ala.