Members of the University of Dayton student-run emergency medical service were surprised with a new ambulance, Wednesday, Jan. 29. Under the leadership of Randy Groesbeck, Rescue Squad replaced its worn-out 1999 ambulance with a 2011 model, which will be mechanically reliable and is equipped with enhanced crew safety features, Groesbeck said.

Six UDRS members met at the College Park Center to see “new EMS equipment,” but all of them, except one, had no idea the new gear would already be theirs. UDRS Chief Sophia Raptis was the only member in on the new acquisition with Groesbeck, which has been in progress for the last few years.

Amid a flurry of text messages to fellow members, tweets from the @UDSquad1 Twitter account and sounding off the new siren, squad members explored their new ride. Groesbeck, UDRS adviser and Public Safety director of security and administration, highlighted the new ambulance’s main features which included a backup camera, two side blind-spot cameras, LED exterior lights and crew safety features which comply with the current industry standards.

In recent years, the old ambulance had been experiencing mechanical problems: “On St. Patrick’s day last year, the ambulance stalled and didn’t work about three times,” said Raptis, a senior biology major.

Groesbeck said he had been monitoring the old ambulance, which was at the end of its useful service life, for several years. “We’ve been assessing the ambulance for a while,” he said. “I’ve been keeping a close eye on it. You want to hit that sweet spot in time where you don’t replace it too early, but you don’t replace it too late.”

Groesbeck found that sweet spot just before this past Christmas when he started doing preliminary shopping. “I came across this deal, and it saved a lot of money,” Groesbeck said. “I actually shortened the timeline a little bit, and said ‘We need to do this now because it’s cost-effective, and it’s prudent to replace it now.’”

Groesbeck said the university was going to need to replace it within the next six months.

Groesbeck said the university spent about $120,000 on replacing the old ambulance. “A similar vehicle today, like this, would be about $150,000,” he said. According to Groesbeck, interest in the squad may have increased with the purchase of the new ambulance. “We’ve had a couple students who, when they’ve come for an admissions tour, come to visit the squad, and it has helped them to make their decision about UD. There are a number of universities across the nation that have a rescue squad on their campus ... but not that many have an ambulance,” Groesbeck said.

The new purchase will help the estimated 60 UDRS members, all of whom have at least their EMT-basic certifications, provide the full gamut of ambulance services to the community, said Groesbeck.

Groesbeck and Raptis said the new ambulance was expected to be in service by the weekend of Feb. 1. Groesbeck estimated that this new vehicle would serve the university for about 13-14 years.

For more information about UD Rescue Squad, visit udayton.edu/students/squad/. In case of emergency when Rescue Squad is needed, contact Public Safety at 937-229-2121.
THE TICKER

LOCAL

VICTORIA THEATER PRESENTS ‘CINDERELLA’
The Victoria Theater will present the Dayton ballet in “Cinderella” at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7. Tickets can be purchased for $20-$50. The performance will feature music by Sergei Prokofiev.
Information from events.activedayton.com

SWAT ASSISTS IN LOCAL STANDOFF
Dayton SWAT was called in to an incident in Trotwood involving an armed man in his residence Sunday, Feb. 3. Police told the man he was under arrest for aggravated menacing and child endangerment.
Information from whiotv.com

SIGMA CHI APPEAL DENIED
Following the university’s decision to suspend the fraternity for two years, Sigma Chi’s appeal to change the sentence has been denied. The fraternity will remain on suspension and adhere to the decision mandated by UD.
Information from whiotv.com

NATIONAL

GROUNDHOG SAYS EARLY SPRING
The famous Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow Saturday, Feb. 2, indicating an early spring for the U.S. Several other groundhogs across the country, including Buckeye Chuck, agreed.
Information from whiotv.com

TIMBERLAKE PERFORMS AT SUPER BOWL EVE EVENT
In his first performance in five years, Justin Timberlake, along with Timbaland and Jay-Z, performed at DirecTV’s Super Bowl bash Saturday, Feb. 2, in New Orleans. Timberlake sang several of his greatest hits and gave a sneak peek to two of his new songs.
Information from foxnews.com

CAMPUS

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
UD community members are invited to stop by Kennedy Union from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6 for a cookie and learn about African-Americans’ role in U.S. and world history. The event is sponsored by Student Life and Kennedy Union.

UD RUNNING CLUB
Join the UD Running Club for its weekly runs at 6 a.m. Tuesday outside the RecPlex. Runners will be provided with directions for the route. The group also runs on Thursdays.

NEWS FROM HOME

CHICAGO
Two suspects were arrested Sunday for threatening two 15-year-old girls with a baseball bat. Police said the suspects demanded everything from the girls who were walking in the city’s McKinley Park neighborhood.
Two off-duty police officers detained Carlos Alvizo, 18, and Elias Martinez, 21, as they attempted to flee the scene.
Information from the Chicago Tribune

PIITSBURGH
Lawyers for Pittsburgh Steeler’s lineman Alameda Ta’amu are hoping to settle charges from a police chase and crash on the south side last year. Ta’amu injured at least two people and crashed into parked cars while driving drunk on East Carson Street. The non-jury trial is scheduled for April 4.
Information from wpix.com

ST. LOUIS
Missouri yellow school buses may be banning advertisements in the future due to tight school budgets. Missouri state Rep. T.J. Berry said the advertisements will be restricted to show only appropriate content, excluding ads featuring obscene or sexual material, gambling, tobacco products, alcohol or political campaigns.
Information from stltoday.com

CLEVELAND
Two Cleveland animal shelters hoped to help needy pets on Super Bowl Sunday with their “Stuff the Subaru” pet drive. My Best Friend’s Bowl and Ganley Westside Imports hosted the drive to help owners who were struggling financially to purchase their pets’ food.
Information from Newsnet5

SAUDI ARABIA
Kiad: Baboons have recently invaded Kiad in search of food and drink. The baboons’ home has recently been depleted of resources due to weather conditions.
Information from Arabnews.com
University launches ‘I Love UD’ marketing month

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During the month of February, the University of Dayton community is invited to share its Flyer love loud and proud for the “I Love UD” campaign.

Planning for the month-long campaign began last April when Chad Warren was hired at the university.

As the executive director of university outreach and engagement, Warren collaborated with more than 50 staff, faculty and students to engage the community in the event and strengthen relationships between alumni and current students.

“This is something we’ve never done before and I’m excited to let people know about the great university we all love,” Warren said. “We want people to share what UD means to them.”

Working as part of the social media committee, Michelle Tedford, the director of communications, said the Twitter and Facebook sites served as a platform and a vehicle for the campaign.

Tedford explained that social media was a perfect outlet to reach a wide community and help people express their passion for UD.

“We hear every day how much people love the university,” Tedford said. “But it was a question of what do we do with this love?”

Warren also encourages students show their love on Twitter using #ILoveUD.

The campaign began with a kick-off Wednesday, Jan. 31, in the Kennedy Union lobby and Torch Lounge. Those in attendance enjoyed a performance by the Pride of Dayton Marching Band, free food, T-shirts and even a dance with Rudy Flyer.

“There are so many ways you can participate throughout the month,” Tedford said. “Students can post on our social media sites, donate or simply spread the word about UD.”

Warren and Tedford said they hope to reach the goal of 2,800 donations in 28 days. Warren explained they are accepting gifts of any size, being mindful of the finances of college students.

“We are really just looking for participation, any amount will be gratefully accepted,” he said. “Students can use text-to-give which automatically donates $10 to a scholarship fund for future students.”

Students and alumni can show their Flyer pride by hanging traditional bed sheets outside their homes and then post pictures to the Facebook page during the first week of February. The winning picture will receive a place on the university homepage.

The second week will focus on UD athletics, highlighting the athletic talent in the community. Athletes will be sporting the “I Love UD” T-shirt on campus throughout the week.

The Flyer Faithful can show their support for the men’s basketball team on Feb. 16 when Dayton takes on rival Xavier at UD Arena.

Emily Bellert, a junior biology major, said she is excited to show her Flyer pride during the basketball game on Saturday.

“I think the campaign is a good way to show how much we all celebrate going to UD on a daily basis,” Bellert said.

To promote a campus-wide spirit of giving, students and staff are invited to “be UD kind” and perform random acts of kindness toward others in the community in the third week.

Warren said, “I’m hoping students are excited to kind of ‘pay it forward,’” he said. “Even though it is hard to quantify how many random acts of kindness are performed, I trust our students will participate.

It can be as easy as just holding the door for someone behind you or maybe shoveling snow for your neighbor.”

At the close of February, anyone affected by UD is invited to share their story by sending an email or posting a video to the website.

“Sometimes I think going to the University of Dayton is the best kept secret,” Warren said. “And every day I share it with countless alumni, faculty and current students.”

For more information on the campaign, visit udayton.edu/iloveud or access the “I Love UD” tab on the university Facebook page.

A display for the “I Love UD” campaign in the lobby of Kennedy Union, Feb. 3. ETHAN KLOSS-TERMAN/MANAGING EDITOR

SOEAP announces name change, move to CPC

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The School of Education and Allied Professions has announced plans to change its name and location within the next two years.

According to Kevin Kelly, the school’s dean, the school will be called the School of Education and Health Sciences as of July 1 and will move from Chaminade Hall to the sixth floor of the College Park Center in summer 2014.

Kelly cited growth and innovation within the school as the main reasons for change.

“There simply isn’t enough room in Chaminade,” Kelly said. “We’ve struggled for several years with locating staff and faculty. The big reason for the move is the lack of space.”

Planned construction on the arcade, the building located in between Chaminade Hall and St. Mary’s Hall, will require the school to vacate the annex by the next academic year, displacing staff and putting further strain on the school in terms of space, he said.

Tom Lasley, an education professor and former dean of the School of Education and Allied Professions, also noted the more than 100-year-old building was in need of improvements.

“We are going to have new and updated facilities,” Lasley said. “The institutions we compete with regionally all have very new facilities. We by far had the oldest. Having this new space will be quite significant for the school and will be attractive for students.”

Kelly said additions of graduate and doctorate-level health science programs demanded the name change.

“We needed a name that really communicates to people what we do and the programs we offer,” Kelly said.

“We felt the term ‘allied professions’ didn’t resonate, especially in terms of trying to communicate to prospective students the types of programs we have. The term ‘health science’ connects to where we are as a school and where we are going.”

Ryan Benedict, a junior pre-physical therapy major, felt the changes were necessary to unify the school.

“As a pre-physical therapy major, I feel like we don’t get enough recognition that we’re part of the School of Education,” Benedict said. “I don’t really think people understand what ‘allied professions’ means either. I think it will be great for the education majors and health science majors to be in one place.”

Katie Fawcett, a junior education major, thought the move to the CPC would be beneficial for students.

“I think the CPC is a better place for the school to grow,” Fawcett said. “There’s so much space and great classrooms, but I’m glad I won’t be around for it. I’d really miss having class in Chaminade. I think it has character and it’s been my second home on campus.”
**KU Pizza Express forms now feature Chinese translation**

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**Staff Writer**

Chinese students buying lunch at the Kennedy Union Dining Hall will have an easier time ordering from the Pizza Express station.

The Pizza Express order sheets at KU now include Chinese characters next to the English words, thanks to the concern of KU Dining Hall employee Theresa Thomas and the Chinese students she works with. “One of the students told me she thought that more Chinese students would come if they understood the order sheet,” Thomas said. “And I told her, ‘Don’t worry about it. I will take it from here.’”

Thomas, who has worked at KU for twelve and a half years, said the first step she took was to go to her assistant manager, Lisa Glaser, to get the idea approved. Glaser told her that she thought it was a good idea and they could test it out.

“I told Rhenping, a Chinese student that works at the Pita Pit, what I wanted done,” Thomas said. “He did the translating.”

Thomas said it took Rhenping only one day to bring back a version of the ordering sheet with English and Chinese written for each item. About 2,000 to 3,000 copies were made and placed at the Pizza Express station.

“The Chinese kids are so excited about it,” Thomas said. “They see it and they smile and giggle and pick it up and point at it and show their friends.”

Sometimes she does not know what the students are saying to each other, but by their smiles, she said she knows they like the order sheets. She said that accommodating Chinese students with the order form is important as UD continues growing internationally.

Thomas thinks incorporating Chinese writing at the Pizza Express station has become successful because the order forms make for less verbal communication. At the sandwich station, for instance, students can see the ingredients and point to them to explain what they want.

“I noticed it went over so well in the Pita Pizza area because it is an actual order form,” Thomas said.

First year communication graduate student Huiming Xu thinks the order forms are beneficial because there will be less misunderstanding for Chinese students. She thinks that adding Chinese in other areas of campus could also be valuable.

“I think it is necessary to incorporate the Chinese language, but not all over campus,” Xu said. “Just in typical places where there are a lot of Chinese students.”

Senior international studies major Emily Jirles studied overseas in China and knows what it is like trying to communicate with a second language.

“When learning another language, you have to learn a lot of the words for food on your own, so ordering food would be much easier if you have a list of the ingredients in your native language,” Jirles said.

Thomas wants to see where else incorporating languages other than English would be helpful to students. KU may incorporate Chinese into the sandwich station, or they may try to add Arabic.

“We are taking it one step at a time right now,” Thomas said. “It’s all about KU as a family.”

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**Students push for Catholic Life to lead religious groups**

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Four University of Dayton students are pushing to bring Catholic Life back to the forefront of religious student organizations on campus.

Catholic Life is a student organization that seeks to build the culture of life on campus, according to their website.

The group is under the leadership of four student officers in sophomore religious education major Jack Welsh, sophomore psychology and religious studies major Flower Bolanos, freshman electrical engineering major Will Sember and sophomore business economics major Sara Pekar.

Welsh and Bolanos explained that Catholic Life never went anywhere. It has always been on campus and is something that they were aware of.

“My freshman year they had some activities, but it was pretty weak,” Welsh said. “The only person who was really in it was the president.”

Some of the activities that were actively managed under Catholic Life pretty consistently over the years have been the Intense Hour of Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration in the Alumni Hall chapel, Welsh explained.

“When I got involved in Catholic Life last year, there were five or six groups of people that gathered separately all over campus to pray the rosary,” Welsh said.

“At some points there were 30 people crammed into a small student apartment,” Bolanos added.

Bolanos and Welsh recognized that with such commitment from students, there was a place for a more comprehensive and encompassing student organization on campus to fill the Catholic needs of the students.

Welsh admitted he was skeptical about using Catholic Life to fit this need at first.

“There were lots of needs that were not being met on campus and we didn’t know if it was good to go with an existing group,” Bolanos said.

After reaching out to UD alumnus Adam Pasternack, who is currently seeking his PhD in Buffalo, N.Y. as he serves as the director of evangelization at a local parish, Welsh felt much more comfortable about re-energizing Catholic Life.

“(Pasternack) was able to pass on all the original documents. It was good to see this huge Catholic Life binder of stuff,” Welsh said. “We revamped the mission statement and looked through a lot of the stuff that he provided us.”

A key inspiration that came from the old documents was the idea of peer ministers within Catholic Life, said Welsh.

“A peer minister is a person that runs one of the subcommittees within Catholic Life,” Welsh said. “They take on a specific ministry and plan it out with a group of students. They can focus on one thing and do it really well. As coordinators we will focus on the peer ministers and help them do the best they can.”

In addition to implementing various ministries like IHOP, rosary groups, adoration, special events like Stations of the Cross and special trips and retreat opportunities, the peer ministers will share in a special commitment to prayer.

“We want them to come together and commit to certain forms of prayer that they agree on as a group,” Bolanos said. “Everything has to stem from prayer.”

“The whole idea of Catholic Life is that we don’t want to just put on events. It’s more of a way of life for us. We are trying to build relationships with people,” Bolanos explained. “The events Catholic Life sponsors are going to depend on what the peer ministers want to take on. We want to continue what we have and take on new projects and events as well.”

There are plans for big group events like Alpha Omega nights, which focus on a topic of discussion paired with praise, skits and other group activities. There are also plans for smaller events like game nights, hiking and other bonding experiences that are really meant to foster relationships, according to Welsh.

“We want to show people that being Catholic is fun and exciting. So often I feel like people bring on this front of faith being for when you are old,” Bolanos said.

“It’s about fulfillment of life,” Welsh added.

Jen Morin-Williamson, Marycrest Campus Minister, is the faculty advisor for Catholic Life and expressed how excited she is to see such a committed group of officers as well as the many students that have come to the initial meetings and have already been sorted into ministries within the group.

Morin-Williamson expressed how excited the university is about Catholic Life.

“The whole Campus Ministry staff is very enthusiastic about this program,” she said.

Bolanos stressed that Catholic Life is something open to all Catholic-minded individuals on campus. They intend to include all undergraduate students, as well as graduate students, faculty and teachers.
PHOTOGRAPHER

Zerfas was awarded “best in show” and a $500 scholarship, for her two submitted paintings. CHANELLE BROWN/STAFF

Sophomore pre-medicine major Ann Zerfas displays her artwork at the Honors Art Exposition, on Feb. 1, in Alumni Hall. Zerfas was awarded “best in show” and a $500 scholarship, for her two submitted paintings. CHANELLE BROWN/STAFF

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Students need to be smart about their hearts

Internationally acclaimed artist Jud Yalkut combines physics, art and public health awareness

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On Thursday, Jan. 31, a reception was held for "Jud Yalkut: Vi-sions and Sur-realities," the most recent exhibit hosted by the University of Dayton’s Gallery 249. “For his time, this is revolution ary stuff,” said sophomore art education major Christina Pierce. The show features the work of Jud Yalkut, an Ohio-based video engineer.

“This exhibition provides the unique opportunity for the University of Dayton community, as well as the public-at-large, to experience innovative works that span over 40 years of media culture,” said curator Jeanne Phillips.

For the exhibit, Yalkut created some of his pieces with the UD physics department. The show is made up of videos, collages, holograms and prints that are showcased in Gallery 249 in the College Park Center, Art Street and Roesch Library. His work deals primarily with the relationship between humans and technology, and the humanization of technology.

In his artist statement, Yalkut outlines his desire to immerse himself in new technologies to explore their creative potential. This internal drive is reflected in his desire to immerse the audience in his pieces. In this show, there is a focused effort to situate viewers in the middle of his videos—literally.

In Gallery 249, his videos are projected on the wall and yoga mats are spread out on the floor. The intention is for viewers to sit on the mats and surround themselves with his work.

“The creation of an environment through the use of light in video art is very interesting,” said Darlin Blanco-Lozano, a senior visual arts and human rights major. “It rids your mind of the idea that you’re in a museum or gallery and changes it into an actual experience where you are no longer just seeing the work, but you are becoming a part of the work.”

At ArtStreet, where his video holograms are being showcased, it is an even more active experience. Video cameras capture the movements of the viewers as they look at the holograms and display the video on a television in the room, literally making the viewer a part of the art.

“I really enjoy it because he was using hologram technology in collaboration with the physics department, when [recently] artists aren’t bringing video into museums, let alone the use of holograms,” Blanco-Lozano said.

The university will be hosting the show from now until March 7 at Gallery 249 in the College Park Center, ArtStreet Studio D gallery and Roesch Library gallery. For more information, visit udayton.edu/arts.
Flyer News: How did you girls meet?
Emma Smith: Many different connections.
Beth Eckstein: Five of us rowed, and Emma and I have been roommates since freshman year.
Allie Girten: We all have mutual friends.
ES: And Erica is a rando.

FN: What is your favorite thing about living on the Darkside?
AG: It’s quiet.
AS: Moncho’s is down the street.
Marissa Dunyak: The Fieldhouse is down the alley.
Laura Profumo: Yeah, The Fieldhouse is the place to go.
AG: We don’t get random people at parties.
ES: We have a big house.

FN: How is living in a house different from living in the dorms?
LP: We have more independence.
Emily Reising: And we’re right by Brown Street.

FN: If 108 was made into a movie, what would the title be?
MD: That’s a tricky one.
BE: Something like eight girls and a dog, because Bruce is our neighbor.
LP: Eight girls and Bruce.
MD: That makes us sound real weird.
AG: That’s okay, we make fun of other people and they can make fun of us.
ER: Eight girls and Bruce, like “You, Me and Dupree.”

FN: Do you guys do anything together as a house?
LP: We always just hang out, watch TV and go out together.
ES: Trivia and Christmas parties.
AS: We bond over food.

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ArtStreet film ‘Heavy Metal in Baghdad’ offers perspective

On Friday, Feb. 1, ArtStreet hosted the Friday Night Film Feature, “Heavy Metal in Baghdad.”

The film concentrated on the journey a group made being a heavy metal band in Iraq, during the harshest parts of the Iraqi war.

The group, Acrassicauda, started their journey when Saddam Hussein was in power and then continued through the war with the United States and Iraq War, or “The War on Terrorism.”

The documentary details the journey the heavy metal group went through to try their best to keep their band, and sound alive, in a war-torn country. The film was directed by Eddy Moretti and Suroosh Aldi.

Bryan Bardine, an associate professor of English, presented the film. I found the film to be fascinating, a story of courage and passion, as the band members faced the risk of death every day, even by just being on the street.

The band was also at risk because of the disapproval the government held for heavy metal. Acrassicauda even had to go through the disappointment of having their practice space bombed and destroyed, killing several others who lived and worked in the building.

The men suffered and lived through their music, along with their fans. The movie is inspirational, showing that through adversity you can survive and face the challenges that the world gives.

At the end of the movie, the group relocates to Syria and revives their band, although with limited success. The gigs that the group manages to pick up are small, but they are still playing and that is the most important thing to them.

Acrassicauda has since moved to the United States and are currently living in New York, Bardine said. They are touring around the country, having met their heroes, Metallica.

For more information, visit the bands website at acrassicauda.com.
We always want to be personally humble, but when we talk about the institution, we don’t want our Midwest humility to hold us back.”

-Daniel Curran, UD president, as quoted in the UD strategic plan

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### Childish apps spoil our rep

What’s the app called? What else could you call such a valueless, life-wasting app but “Bang With Friends.”

In the past, in order to come face-to-face with this kind of sleazy Internet garbage, you had to actively seek it out. Now, it’s being incorporated into the most popular social media website of all time. It’s like having your own personal pocket pimp, which might explain the contact email for the app: pimpinbangwithfriends.com.

This app disgusts me; the name, in itself, suggests that sex is a totally trivial interaction to be had with any-one familiar enough to be considered an acquaintance (we all know how “genuine” Facebook friends can be), and reduces such an interaction to a childish euphemism. It fits the all-too-popular perspective perpetuated today that says the most important part of any romantic relationship, or of life itself, is lust.

Is our culture so numb and corrupted that we have reduced the most intimate, personal and significant relationships two human beings can share to the point of equating it with a “poke” or a “like” on Facebook?

Why do we continue to devalue these relationships so much in this culture? Are compassion, love or any real emotion within a relationship too “traditional”? Is self-control too “old-fashioned”?

The creators of the app, three college-aged students, must have been somewhat embarrassed; according to a Jan. 29 Daily Beast article, they have not released their identities to the public, and have even gone so far as blocking their registration information from being tied to the domain name. Well, I don’t blame them. The fact that someone our age even created such an app makes me embarrassed, too, that I am a member of our generation.

That same article included an interview with the anonymous creators, who admitted to being drunk when they created the app. Maybe that explains why it seems to be discriminate
dy developed for men. The homepage of the app displays a half-naked woman on a bed with her shirt pulled over her head and the icon of a man sodomizing a woman, and a tab can be opened with an instructive illustration describing how to put on a condom.

Unfortunately, I will not deny that this kind of interaction happens very commonly in our society. But does that mean embracing, organizing and promoting it within social media is any more acceptable? No; in fact, I believe it’s exactly what kind of attitude that perpetuates these circumstances.

In any case, I sincerely hope this app is unsuccessful because if this is the kind of thing people waste their time on, their maturity level suggests they should be spending more time in high school.
New tuition plan isn’t education-oriented

I can’t help but have some sort of satisfaction with the university’s decision to guarantee tuition rates for new students. UD is already expensive enough, and giving a prospective student the peace of mind that comes with eliminating the uncertainty of tuition costs is definitely a good move on the part of the university. However, I am dissatisfied with some of the reasoning behind the decision.

First, I take issue with the office of the assistant vice president for Enrollment and Market Development. I’m sure that the AVP is a great guy, and I don’t want to cast any aspersions on him, but I take issue with his position itself.

To me, it seems as though the majority of what the university administration does is aimed at attracting the largest amount of new enrollments. Looking at the work done on the CPC building, the ongoing renovations of the library, and our own Club Med in the middle of campus while comparing the juxtaposing condition of Founders Hall and the Ghetto houses to them, it sure does seem like it. It almost feels like we are a non-profit institution in name only, and our main goal is attracting and churning out graduates—or “consumers” as the AVP called us—rather than attracting students.

I mean, come on, we say we aren’t a Fortune 500 company or anything, but we still have a department solely responsible for bringing in the most amount of “consumers” possible? It doesn’t make sense to me. If we are a school truly committed to education and academics, then we should strive to actually expand our education and academics for those students currently attending.

I understand that some investment is required to maintain the structural integrity of our buildings, (those new elevators in Roesch are super fast and totally awesome), but I don’t see any substantive need for us to spend millions of dollars to paint bricks on our buildings. Don’t get me wrong, I think that we have great academic programs here, and many of the services provided to our students are excellent, but I feel that what’s being spent on aesthetics could just as easily be spent on expanding graduate programs or creating new majors for students to excel in. I contend that these investments will serve the school far better than any facade renovations can.

Of the numerous alternatives to spending money on aesthetics, I can think of a few that would dramatically impact the experience of students at UD. Chief among these, we could hire more professors for the classes many students need to graduate.

In my first year, it seemed like many of the teachers recognized me only for my seat number. Now that I am in smaller classes, I feel like I have had the opportunity to get to know my professors more and vice versa. I feel that having that kind of accountability with my teachers has added to my motivation to do my best in class. Additionally, giving instructors more of an opportunity to get to know their students will help them adapt to their educational needs.

I understand I haven’t been here for any respectable length of time—my two years here is a drop in the bucket when compared to those who graduate from here and are now in executive positions within the school’s administration—and maybe I’m just incorrect—extrapolating opinions based on my own limited experience, but I can’t help but feel that more could be done for the students actually attending this school, rather than trying to entice prospects with the prettiest campus.

Holidays are more than eating, greeting cards

(Advertiser note: In this recurring column, Flyer News columnist Steve Maloney gets a chance to really give the world a piece of his mind. Read on to learn what grinds his gears this week.)

You know what really grinds my gears? Holidays.

Those days when we are supposed to participate in some tradition based on what society has told us over time. I am not saying that the concepts of certain holidays are bad. Days like Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter give us the opportunity to plan visits with family that maybe we only see once or twice a year. But that should be it. Maybe enjoy a nice meal, but stick to catching up with conversation.

But the unfortunate fact is that on those same days, many of us use the excuse of a holiday to shove food into our faces and/or open gifts that people feel pressured to provide. Also, the traditions of some of these holidays seem to be a bit backwards.

Christmas is the day many of us celebrate the birth of Jesus, yet besides going to Mass and saying a brief prayer before a meal, we spend our time focused on opening gifts, eating, drinking, watching television and taking naps. Same thing goes for Thanksgiving, when we stuff our faces until we fall into a coma.

Easter doesn’t make any sense. As Jim Gaffigan said, “Easter, the day Jesus rose from the dead, what should we do? HOW ’BOUT EGGS?!?”

The correlation does not register in my head.

Besides those main holidays, we have these “special days” fabricated by marketing geniuses that make us want to spend more and more money.

Days like Valentine’s Day, Mother’s Day and Father’s Day. I don’t see the purpose. If we love someone, shouldn’t we show that love for them every day of the year instead of stock-piling a silo of affection and releasing it all on the holiday through a card, candy, jewelry or dinner and a movie?

The answer is yes. If you act radically different on one of these days, you probably don’t genuinely feel what you are pretending to express on those days.

If we’re going to have holidays, we should keep the ones that mean something. We need to act in a way to recognize the real meaning of those days. There’s too much media hype that prevents us from recognizing the true traditions.

And that my friends, is what really grinds my gears.
Women’s Tennis

Tennis falls at home against Ball State, Xavier in A-10 play

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The University of Dayton women’s tennis team started its five-match home stand at the Five Seasons Sports Club on a sour note on Friday, Feb. 1, and Saturday, Feb. 2, against Ball State University and Xavier University. The Flyers were feeling confident going into this weekend’s competition, according to head coach Ryan Meyer, emerging with a three-match win streak from the previous weekend against Robert Morris University, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis and cross-town rival Wright State University.

On Friday though, Ball State was able to slow down the Flyers with the final score of the match going 5-2 in favor of the Cardinals.

Dayton freshman Carly Peck came out on top in No. 2 singles 2-6, 6-2, 10-6, winning the tie-breaker set against BSU freshman Ayaka Terashii. Dayton junior Sammi Hornbarger fell against BSU sophomore Courtney Wild at the No. 1 spot, 6-1, 6-2.

Dayton junior Maureen Stevens lost to BSU freshman Courtney Earnest in No. 3 singles, 6-2, 6-0, while junior Claire McNulty lost her No. 4 singles match against BSU freshman Bethany Moore, 6-2, 6-2.

Dayton was able to clinch the doubles point behind Stevens and Peck starting things off in No. 1 doubles with an 8-5 win, followed by the team of Hornbarger and freshman Katie Boeckman prevailing 8-7 (7-3) in No. 2 doubles.

Following the BSU match, Xavier outplayed the Flyers in every match on Saturday, winning 7-0 to open Atlantic 10 play.

Peck and Stevens lost in No. 1 doubles, 8-4, and Hornbarger and Boeckman fell short against Xavier freshman Alex Brinker and junior Allyson Westling in No. 2 doubles 8-2. Xavier swept doubles play with an 8-3 win by sophomore Daniella Patton and junior Andrea Wolf over Filbrandt and McNulty.

Hornbarger’s match set the tone for the rest of the singles competition, losing in No. 1 singles 6-2, 7-5, to Xavier senior Katie Pleiman. Peck lost her match in No. 2 singles to Patton 6-1, 6-1. Stevens was defeated in No. 3 singles, 6-2, 6-2, and McNulty lost the No. 4. Singles match versus Xavier senior Kally Ak樸 6-2, 6-2.

Dayton fell to 4-5 during the spring schedule with the two losses.

Hornbarger said despite the setbacks, the team hopes to move on after this weekend’s competition and continue making strides in the right direction.

“We fought hard and played well this weekend,” Hornbarger said. “We faced some good teams out there and we’ll just have to move and put it behind us.”

So far this spring season, Hornbarger has put on an impressive performance, leading the team in singles competition.

“She is a natural leader,” on and off the court, said Meyer. “She leads by example. Meyer said, “There isn’t a bad quality about her. She is also very determined, and able to succeed against the highest level of competition.”

Boeckman also has stepped it up so far this spring season for the Flyers. Her performance during Dayton’s three-match winning streak helped earned her the Atlantic 10 Player of the Week Award on Jan. 28, marking her first award ever as a collegiate athlete.

“It feels great to be represented by such a talented athlete like Katie,” Meyer said. “With that in mind, it’s our goal to win the Atlantic 10 and Katie can help us do that.”

Boeckman has won numerous matches to date in No. 4 singles competition during the spring schedule, most recently against Robert Morris and IUPUI.

Boeckman, Hornbarger and the rest of the UD women’s tennis team are back on the court against Youngstown State University at 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, at the Five Seasons Sports Club.

Atlantis 10 even stronger than imaged at season’s start

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In the Flyer News Men’s Basketball Preview, I wrote about how the Atlantic 10 was going to flex its muscle and become a fun watch this season.

It has yet to disappoint. And may be crazier than expected.

Just over halfway through conference play, every school now has at least two losses already, with Virginia Commonwealth University leading the way at 6-2. However, only four schools have more than four losses, so it’s a tightly packed group that could go in any direction.

Here’s some of the biggest things I’ve taken away from play in the A-10 thus far.

1. There’s no clear favorite.

Butler was the final team in the league to have fewer than two losses before getting thumped by Saint Louis University on Thursday, Jan. 31. Yes, they were able to beat a top 10 ranked Gonzaga University team at home, but when you look at their record against teams in the top half of the league right now, they’re only 1-2. One loss came without redshirt junior guard Rotnei Clarke, but the record doesn’t exactly inspire confidence in knowing if they will be a dominant team with him. Butler is likely to rack up wins heading towards March, but has a loaded schedule to end the year with another game against SLU, at VCU, at the University of Massachusetts and Xavier University.

VCU took a nose dive with consecutive losses, SLU is just starting to find its footing, Temple University may be the most inconsistent team in the league and La Salle University could not navigate cleanly through a pair of trap games after its big wins over Butler and VCU. It should not be a shock to suggest the regular season champion will end up with at least four losses at this point.

2. Charlotte is a pretender.

I was ready to give the 40ers a chance after defeating Xavier at home on Jan. 23, but they sandwiched that win with 20-plus point losses to the University of Richmond and George Washington University on the road.

I mentioned the end of Butler’s schedule is loaded, but the next month for Charlotte may simply be too much for any team. After escaping with a one-point win over UMass at home on Sunday, Feb. 2, in its next four games in February, Charlotte hosts VCU, while traveling to Temple, Butler and SLU.

Those schools are currently a combined 19-10 in league play. Coming out with a winning record will certainly be a way to change my mind about them, but I cannot see that happening.

3. Chaz Williams should be the leader for A-10 Player of the Year.

The UMass junior guard has needed to take on a bigger role after teammate Jesse Morgan went down for the season with a torn right ACL. He’s done the job so far, scoring 15.9 points per game, and has been in the top five in scoring in the league most of the season. To make the feat sound more impressive, Williams is keeping up his scoring while leading the conference in assists at seven per game and is third in assist-to-turnover ratio at 1.9. Williams also hasn’t made it all about his offense by being sixth in steals per game at 2.1.

VCU sophomore guard Treveon Graham is his closest competitor at the moment, similarly averaging above 16 points per game while gathering above six rebounds per game as well. Clarke should join the two in the race as the top scorer on Butler, and La Salle senior guard Roman Galloway could enter the mix, if the Explorers can stay in the conference race.

4. The A-10 is looking at another four bids to the NCAA Tournament.

Xavier, SLU, Temple and Saint Bonaventure University gave the conference four bids last season for the first time since 2004, and if you were to count VCU who was not yet a member, it would be five. Despite the high level editions to the conference that Butler and VCU have been, the 16 teams are eating themselves from within a little too much to provide anymore than four bids this season. Like the Big East Conference, the A-10 is going to have some good looking numbers in the NCAA’s Ratings Percentage Index from teams with high rankings playing each other. Generally though, teams with an RPI below 50 usually have the best chance to get an at-large bid to the tournament, which only three A-10 schools have as of Monday, Jan. 28.
The University of Dayton men’s basketball team dropped its second straight road game, this time falling to a high-powered Saint Louis University team, 81-52, on Saturday, Feb. 2.

The 29-point defeat is tied for the worst loss in head coach Archie Miller’s tenure, as well as tying the worst loss in history during Atlantic 10 play for the Flyers, which was a 97-68 defeat to the University of Rhode Island on Jan. 4, 1997.

The major turning point in the game came midway through the first half when the score was a 7-6 Flyer lead. UD’s offense went cold, scoring on only three of its next 19 possessions. SLU was able to build a 31-13 lead over the next 10 minutes, which it safely held onto the rest of the game.

Perhaps the biggest storyline from this contest was the change in the starting lineup for the Flyers, as freshman forward Jalen Robinson started the game in the place of redshirt senior forward Josh Benson. Benson responded positively to the move by leading UD in scoring with 12 points, as well as adding six rebounds and three blocks. Robinson only scored two points in 11 minutes of play.

Overall on the offensive end, UD struggled as redshirt junior guard Vee Sanford was the only other Flyer than Benson in double-digit points with 10. Senior guard Kevin Dillard also added nine.

As a team, UD shot 42 percent from the field, including 9-of-22 from 3-point range. The Billikens shot 52 percent from the floor, including 9-of-22 from 3-point range.

According to Miller, he believes this Saint Louis team is the best they’ve played all season.

“They’ve had a good week, and give them a lot of credit, they’re playing at a high level,” Miller said.

“To be quite honest in February, that’s what good teams do, that’s when they really start to make their mark. That’s the best team we’ve played all season.”

The loss drops the Flyers to 12-9 overall on the season and 2-5 in the conference. However, all five A-10 losses have come against teams in the top 75 in the Ratings Percentage Index.

Miller said things aren’t going to get any easier for the Flyers on the team’s upcoming schedule.

“I don’t think it’s going to get any easier all season long,” Miller said.

“That’s the thing this team needs to realize. When you dig yourself into a hole in this type of league, the sharks are out. No one wants to give you a life raft and try and save you, they’re going to kick you down because they want the same things. I think we will prepare very hard over the next few days. If our kids have any sense of pride, which I know they do, the staff will have them ready to go on Wednesday.”

The Flyers return to action against Saint Joseph’s University at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6, at UD Arena.
The University of Dayton track and field team placed third out of 10 teams at the Youngstown State National Track and Field Invitational taking place from Friday, Feb. 1, through Saturday, Feb. 2, in Youngstown, Ohio.

In its best finish of the indoor season to date, Dayton was beat out by Bucknell University and Duquesne University in first and second place, respectively.

“Everyone across the board competed a lot better and at a lot higher level than we have been,” head coach Jason Francis said.

“Each week we’ve been running faster, jumping higher and throwing farther, so the performances this weekend show we’re heading in the right direction.”

Francis said he was especially impressed by his pole vaulters, who claimed the top three spots in the event. Junior Hanna Krizmanic and sophomore Ashley DeMange tied for first, clearing 3.75 meters, and junior Katrina Steinhauser came in third.

“First place really has been good [vaulters],” Francis said. “Their talent has allowed us to rise to the top.”

In addition to success in the vault, the Flyers had strong performances in throwing events. In the shot put, senior Christine Borchers finished second and red-shirt sophomore Miranda Nelson came in fifth.

“I’m happy with what we have been able to do this season, especially [this weekend],” Borchers said. “Over the last week, we’ve taken a lot of steps in the right direction.”

Borchers set a season personal record with her performance in the event, on a throw of 13.33 meters.

Senior Renee Otte won the hammer throw competition on a 17.03 meter toss, her second win in a row in the event. Nelson followed her teammate with a second place finish.

Dayton had 19 individual top-five finishes on the weekend, plus four top-five finishes in team events.

The team had an overall good outing, according to Borchers, who added, “The competition was fun and gave us good challenges.”

Having faced Duquesne in each of the last two meets, Borchers said, is something that has allowed the team to develop ahead of the Atlantic 10 Indoor Track and Field Championships, which will take place on Feb. 16 and 17, in Kingston, R.I.

“It was good to see them two weeks in a row. It allowed us to gauge where we are compared to the other top teams in the league,” she said. “Even so, they’re the only conference opponent we’ll see before the championships, so it’s hard to tell exactly where we stand.”

In the preseason A-10 coaches poll, Duquesne was chosen to finish fifth, while Dayton was picked to come in second.

According to Francis, the squad still has room to improve, but will have time to do that in the two weeks leading up to the conference meet. Next weekend, Feb. 8 and 9, a small portion of the team will travel to the Hoosier Hills meet at Indiana University.

Most who are in that meet, he said, want to get in one more tune up before heading to Rhode Island the following weekend.

“We’re going to use our next meet as a rest period for a lot of the athletes,” he added. “We’re going to take this time to train and be ready for A-10 competition.”

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Editors share favorite Super Bowl memories over the years

The majority of NFL football fans finish the year with disappointment.

After all, only two teams get to compete in the Super Bowl every season, marking the end of a long, five-plus month journey in the most popular sport in the United States of America.

Unlike most other sports in the country, football keeps a following throughout the end of the season. The Super Bowl itself remains one of the most watched programs of the year every time it comes around, no matter who is playing for the Vince Lombardi Trophy. And those who tune in always get treated to a show as NFL superiority is fought for.

Over the years, Sports Editor Steven Wright and Asst. Sports Editor Dan Whitaker have amassed their share of Super Bowl knowledge and have shared their favorite memories from the biggest game the sport has to offer.

Steven Wright, Sports Editor:

1. My favorite memory has to be Super Bowl XXX, and it comes from a pretty biased view. As a fan of the Dallas Cowboys growing up, the 1990s were definitely defined by the Cowboys dynasty and the machine that was Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith and Michael Irvin.

I view the Cowboys defining Super Bowl victory against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Tempe, Ariz., in a much higher regard than either of the two wins over the Buffalo Bills. Defensive back Larry Brown was magnificent in earning MVP honors after making several interceptions, and made me realize the significance of defense for the first time in my young life.

2. The year prior in Super Bowl XXIX, the San Francisco 49ers won its fifth Super Bowl title in defeating the San Diego Chargers. At the time, my interest in the sport was only growing because of the Cowboys recent run of success, and I thought they could not be defeated. Of course, as history shows, the 49ers did just that in the NFC Championship game, and crushed the Chargers to win the title. I watched the game rooting against the 49ers but remember cheering for them by the end after watching Steve Young throw the ball everywhere with six touchdown passes.

3. The “Mile-High Salute” became my favorite celebration leading up to Super Bowl XXXII. Without it, I probably would have rooted for the Green Bay Packers in that game. But Terrell Davis would at least look somewhat toward the camera to give his salute after scoring, and I’d show my respect back through the television screen. Davis got to show it off three times in the Denver Broncos win, and I remember that much more than John Elway getting his first ring.

Dan Whitaker, Asst. Sports Editor:

Unlike my good friend Steven, I do not have any memories of my favorite team in the Super Bowl, because they have not been there since 1969. Heck, they haven’t even won a playoff game since 1994, when I couldn’t even say the word “football,” let alone follow it closely. Even though I’ve never had a rooting interest in a Super Bowl, there are still some moments that stand out in my mind from the big game.

1. My first major memory from a Super Bowl game came in the turn of the century in Super Bowl XXXIV. The game featured the St. Louis Rams’ “Greatest Show on Turf” team against the Tennessee Titans, who only had recently changed from being the Oilers. Now, while I don’t remember too many specifics from the game itself, I will always remember “The Tackle,” when St. Louis’ Mike Jones tackled Tennessee’s Kevin Dyson one yard short of the end zone as time expired to give the Rams the dramatic 23-16 victory.

2. My next memory was not so much about the game, as it was about the circumstances surrounding the game. It was Super Bowl XL, the first time Detroit hosted a Super Bowl since 1982 (which was at the Silverdome in Pontiac, Mich.) and living only an hour away from where the game was being played was rather exciting. Throughout the weeks leading up to the game, the hype just seemed that much greater because the game was so close. The game itself didn’t stand out as much in my eyes, as my favorite part was probably the killer half-time show by one of my favorite bands, The Rolling Stones, but having this worldwide event hosted close to my house was something I’ll never forget.

3. My last memory is one I’m sure many people today would say stands out in their minds from the Super Bowl in the last decade or so, and that was Super Bowl XLII. For those who don’t know, this was a game for the ages, which pitted an undefeated New England Patriots squad against the huge underdog New York Giants. The game featured a play that is one sports fans remember where they were when they witnessed what transpired.

On a third down, Giants quarterback Eli Manning amazingly escaped being sacked by three Patriots to chuck the ball down field to seldom used wide receiver David Tyree, who caught the ball against his helmet, where it stuck like Velcro. The catch led the Giants to a touchdown with less than a minute remaining to spark the enormous upset, and that play will go down in Super Bowl history as one of the greatest catches of all time.