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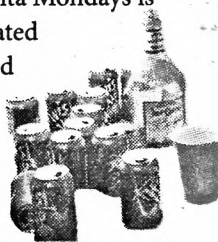
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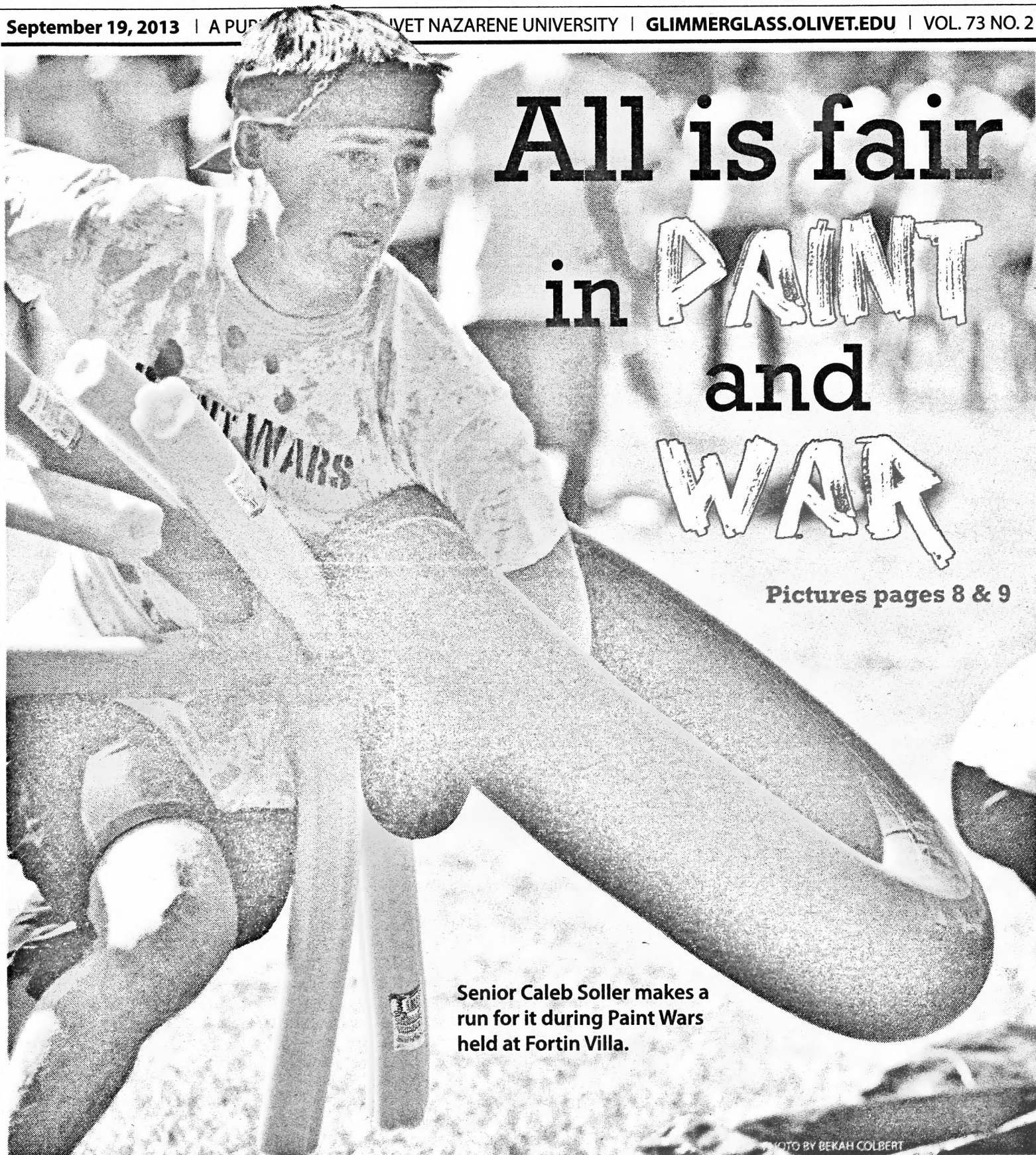
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Students gather for a fiesta

By Nicole Lafond
Executive Editor

Students looking to cure their case of the Mondays may have found an on-campus answer: Margarita Mondays.

But the event is not quite what the name suggests.

The gathering began with a group of males living in Grand 285 and 287 who decided to invite a few people over the evening after the first Monday of classes to eat chips and salsa and enjoy a virgin Margarita.

"It was my roommate Phil Caffee's idea; he's catholic," junior Caleb Burkey said about the initial Margarita Monday.

About 25 people came the first night, and the group decided to make it a weekly event. Burkey and his roommate bought supplies to prepare for the second week. About 90 people showed up and attendees were asked for donations to prepare for the following week.

Vice President for Student Development, Woody Webb and about 150 other students showed up for the third Margarita Monday on Sept. 9.

The fiesta could be seen from afar as students gathered in front of Grand 285 and 287. Christmas lights were strung in the trees and floor lamps lit the yard. Students grilled out, ate chips and salsa and some even



PHOTO FROM: CALEB BURKEY

Hosted by Grand 285 and 287, students enjoy virgin Margaritas, chips and salsa, grilled food and desserts.

brought desserts to share.

The main attraction—the margaritas—were mixed inside Burkey and Caffee's room. Two blenders stirred eight bottles of margarita mix for the crowd. It was quite a mess to clean up, according to Burkey.

Unlike many events on campus, the invitations for this event were spread simply through word-of-mouth.

"I tweeted once on Monday about the event, but people mostly know about it through personal conversations," Burkey said. "It's just a

really random, fun way to get people together and build community."

Some students believe the name has a lot to do with the popularity of the event.

"I think the name draws the students in, but the actual event keeps them coming back," junior Sarah Ready said. "Although this isn't a 'rule-breaking' event, it almost feels like it is because it is a student-run party that feels like it shouldn't be going on. I think that's what makes it so exciting."

As the event has gained quick

popularity, Burkey has considered working with Men's Residential Life (MRL) to make Margarita Mondays a school-sponsored event.

The event was discussed briefly during the Associated Student Council (ASC) meeting on Sept. 10 and Lucas Fritch, Vice President of MRL, said he would definitely be interested in sponsoring Margarita Mondays, but "there would need to be a name change," Fritch said.

However, the fact that the event is not school-sponsored may give it more charm, according to some students.

"It makes it a unique event on campus," junior Shelby Thein said. "Sometimes when events go through the school things get shot down that have the potential to be a lot of fun."

Since the event is not school-sponsored, a different group of people that do not normally attend campus events can be reached, Thein added.

"The administrative team holds different opinions about the event, but the only real concern is the name," Bre Bambrick, Student Body President said during the ASC meeting.

"It's not the public parties we have to worry about," Webb added.

The event was not held on Sept. 16 due to revival, but Margarita Mondays will start again Sept. 23.

Area churches visit campus, engage with students

By Nicole Lafond
Exec. Editor
Melissa Luby
Staff Writer

As part of the 2022 initiative, Olivet's 10-year plan to change and improve the school, Student Development and the office of the Chaplain are working to strengthen the relationship between Olivet and local churches. The Festival of Churches was the first university-sponsored step towards that goal.

The Festival of Churches took place in Ludwig during the first week of September.

Ten local churches set up booths in the lobby of Ludwig and handed out informative flyers, engaged in conversations with students and even gave away free treats such as cookies, popcorn and water bottles.

The churches were invited based off a survey given to students last spring, according to university Chaplain, Mark Holcomb. The survey was sent to all full-time residential students and asked if they attend local churches, where they attend and how often.

"From the spring survey, we invited the top 10 churches students said they attended. This included churches within a 10 mile ra-

dius of campus, who had more than 10 students respond," Holcomb said. "We also invited several others from our community so the churches represented the diversity of our campus ... an additional seven churches were invited to participate."

Maternity BVM was one of the churches invited to attend the festival. Currently eight percent of the undergraduate student population at Olivet identify themselves as attending a Catholic Church, according to Vice President for Student Development Woody Webb.

Kevin O'Donnell, the Diocese of Joliet's director of young adult and youth ministry, estimates 300 Catholic students attend Olivet. O'Donnell added that Maternity BVM and Olivet have been working together for the benefit of Catholic students for approximately two and half years.

Although Maternity BVM is the only Catholic church actively involved at Olivet, O'Donnell said "other area churches are

aware of Olivet and are happy about what goes on here." O'Donnell cited St. Martin of Tours in Kankakee as an alternative to BVM.

O'Donnell hopes that attending the Festival of Churches will bring more Olivet students to BVM, and not just those who hail from a Catholic background. "There was some interest from non-Catholic students who are curious about Catholicism," he said.

The overall goal was to raise awareness and get students involved in a local congregation.

"It's my hope that some who have never or rarely attend Saturday or Sunday worship will reconsider their decision," Webb said.

Additionally, the experience of being a part of a local church holds strong value to this university, according to Holcomb.

"There is nothing we can do on campus that can provide the intergenerational and multigenerational experience you get by attending one of our area local churches," Holcomb said.

Olivet pursues accreditation title

By Meg Dowell
Staff Writer

Degrees from Olivet may be more attractive to employers after 2015 as the university works towards earning an accreditation title from the North Central Association.

Defined by the Council for Higher Education, accreditation is "the primary means by which colleges, universities and programs assure quality to students and the public."

The process of accreditation benefits students just as much as the institutions they attend.

"It will authenticate that we are operating with integrity, that we have a mission that clearly is the guiding force behind what we do," said Dr. Sue Rattin, the director of assessment

and learning support services. "It can assure students who are studying here now will have valid and meaningful degrees, that they will be able to be marketable when they graduate, that they will find employment in the areas they have trained for."

Accreditation from the North Central Association will be university wide, according to Rattin.

"There are some programs, like Dietetics, Social Work, Education, and Engineering etc. that have additional accreditation requirements which are subordinate to accreditation requirements from the North Central Association," Rattin said.

Criteria for the educational accreditation process involve five scopes: assurance of academic quality, documentation of accountability, planning and revisions, integrity and

"You have the sense that this really is a good place and that we are doing things for the benefit of the long-term success of students."

responsible conduct and teaching and learning improvement. While a campus leader has been assigned to each specific criterion throughout the self-study process, the overarching purpose is to show key stakeholders of the institution that it is committed to continuous improvement each time it is re-evaluated.

The self-study is a collaboration of all research and evidence gathered over the past several years. The leadership team is now halfway through the self-study process and plans to have all evidence and related materials submitted to the chair of the committee by Jan. 15.

The peer review process follows, then a site visit in Oct. 2014 and an appointment of accreditation in spring 2015 that will last 10 more years.

"What I've always found extremely exciting about how Olivet does things is that it involves as many people as possible," Dr. Rattin said. "It really is getting out and getting

everybody at every desk an opportunity to provide information that will help us get an authentic feel for what Olivet is all about and what it does to prepare students for lives of service to God and man."

Evidence includes student testimonies, alumni surveys and evaluations from key community leaders and businesspeople. The process involves both qualitative and quantitative research, but students and faculty have been involved since the beginning.

"It's kind of exciting to be able to unmask the evidence [and] to document that for outsiders who are coming in and looking at us," Rattin said. "You have the sense that this really is a good place and that we are doing things for the benefit of the long-term success of students."



Public Safety partnered with ASC to prevent bike theft via purchasing U-lock bike locks, however the initiative has lacked in motivation for the students as only one additional student registered their bike this year.

Speakers fit the mold

By Destiny Mitchell
Staff Writer

This fall semester, seven out of the 12 scheduled chapel speakers are from a Nazarene background, however the selection of majority Nazarene speakers was apparently not done intentionally.

"Because we are a Nazarene university, we will always have Nazarenes filling our pulpit. Church affiliation, however, is not a concern during the selection process," Holcomb said. "I don't really look at denomination as much as theological and mission [based] match."

Intentional or not, students have mixed feelings about the lack of denominational variety in chapel speakers this semester. Junior Sierra Navarro is not dismayed by the lack of variation – "it's the message that counts, not the denomination," she said.

However, Senior Beth Ellcessor would appreciate more diversity.

"It might be nice for there to be more diversity in chapel, but it seems only natural that it would work out that way," Ellcessor said.

Holcomb said he has the final say in determining the chapel speakers, but looks to advice from his assistant, Nancy Dodd, Dean of Student Development, Woody Webb, and Dr. Bowl-

ing. He also refers to the Counseling Center, the Center for Law and Culture, and the Office of Alumni Relations.

Though some speakers may be strangers to Olivet, they are not selected at random. Holcomb familiarizes himself with a speaker's work before an invitation is extended. This includes reading their books, blogs and watching their performances on YouTube to see if they will benefit Olivet students, Holcomb added.

Each semester there is a different theme in chapel. In order to keep all chapel services in alignment with that set theme, speakers are given a synopsis of the overall message, the theme verse, and the topic for that semester. Speakers are chosen according to how well they fit that theme instead of forcing them to fit into Olivet's guidelines, Holcomb said.

"I look for those who can help us develop our theme, and as long as they are a good match for our university, Nazarene or otherwise, we extend an invitation for them to come," he said.

When facing any decisions on chapel matters, Holcomb has no doubt that decisions are made based on what is beneficial to everyone.

"This position isn't mine, [it] is the University's and churches' [position], and [it] has been entrusted to me," Holcomb said.

Hide your kids, hide your bikes

By Sarah Matyskala
Staff Writer

Despite efforts by Public Safety and the Associated Student Council (ASC) to prevent bike thefts by promoting the purchase of discounted bike locks, only one additional student registered their bike this year compared to last.

In the 2012-2013 school year, 270 bicycles were registered while 271 were registered this year. Out of the 270 registered bikes, 62 of those were stolen – 58 out of the 62 bikes did not have a lock.

In an attempt to end bike theft, Public Safety and ASC decided last spring to team up and purchase U-lock bike locks to sell to students. Public Safety split the cost of the locks, \$1,250, with ASC.

Dale Newsome, the director of Public Safety, thinks the locks are "a great idea" and he hopes they decrease Olivet's bike thefts. The locks, costing \$5, are highly encouraged as they help reduce the possibility of stolen bikes. Students were required to register their bikes before they could purchase the discounted bike locks.

"It is too soon to tell if the locks will reduce theft. I'm hoping that they will," Newsome said.

Since Aug. 24, four bikes were stolen; two students claimed to have had a lock on them and the other two didn't have locks.

"It is so nice to be able to lock my bike at every building, so I don't have to worry about it during class," freshman Hannah Sohl said.

Public Safety suggests that stu-

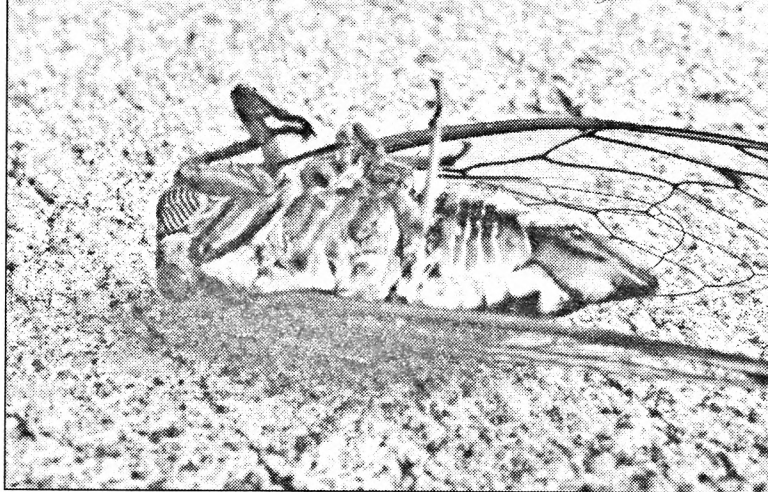
dents register their bikes, not just so they can purchase the discounted locks, but also to better ensure a bikes return if it is stolen. If Bourbonnais Police find bikes in the area that have an ONU sticker, they contact Olivet and return the bike to the student.

If a bike is stolen, students are encouraged to report the theft the Public Safety. When Public Safety locates missing bicycles that have been registered, they keep them in storage garages until they are claimed. Public Safety will wait up to three months into the summer before donating the unclaimed bicycles.

The bikes are donated to The Center of Hope, a non-profit charity that works "to meet the everyday needs of everyday people," to give a bike to those who need transportation.

NEWS

PHOTO BY MARY HALL



Students have noticed some unwelcome guests in their housing this year, as there is an overall increase in bug population.

Campus insect population grows

By Mary Hall
Staff Writer

While bugs may be a familiar part of the college dorm life experience, some students have noticed an increase in the amount of insects on campus and in their living quarters this year.

Small tan spiders covered senior Sydney Morehead's Grand 415 apartment during the first few weeks of school.

"They were under heaters and in the corners of all the rooms—especially in the corners of the windows," Morehead said.

She took matters into her own hands, vacuuming the arachnoids out of corners, but that solution wasn't enough for the girls living just a few apartment buildings down. They called Public Safety to rid their apartment of wasps that were flying into their room through the air conditioner.

"I killed at least 15 to 18, but including ones that were found dead, there were close to thirty," said junior Shelbi Harris who lives in Grand 401. "It's not a huge issue, but it is kind of obnoxious, because [the wasps] shouldn't be in our apartment."

She first noticed more bugs on campus over the summer and said she noticed there was a wasp nest in the rack where she parked her bike.

Students are not the only ones to have noticed an increase in the amount of insects on campus this year.

"I've seen a slight increase this year [in insect populations]," admit-

ted Dr. Leo Finkenbinder, professor of animal sciences. "It's all about the cycle."

Although a growing population might be an indication of climate change, the change is most likely due to last year's mild winter, Finkenbinder said.

The National Weather Service said 2012 was "not a typical year."

"Persistent warm and dry weather brought far fewer hazardous weather events to the local area."

Fewer hazardous events mean more bugs survived winter hibernation, according to Finkenbinder. "If the winter is not a harsh winter, the better for the population to maintain itself," he said.

A large and steady population of bugs has kept students on campus doing what they can to keep bugs where they belong—outside.

"It seems to have worked," said Harris, who hasn't had any more wasps enter since Public Safety plugged up their air conditioner.

Harris is no longer on the offensive against wasps, but looks to Olivet to keep it that way.

"The school should attempt to do something about it, whatever that be. Even if its just plugging cracks in the AC," Harris said.

The Physical Plant is responsible for the maintenance of buildings on campus. Although they may be aware of the issues related to the increase in the insect population on campus, the leaders in the department failed to respond to inquires on the topic.

Cutback in first aid supplies

By Taylor Provost
Staff Writer

First aid kits on campus will no longer be stocked with pain relief tablets, according to Olivet's Department of Human Resources.

The decision to limit the contents of first aid kits on campus was made last March, however the decision and the rationale for it, was not immediately communicated to most students and some members of the faculty and staff.

A librarian originally noticed the first aid kits no longer contained painkillers last year, after numerous students complained. Assuming they were just out of stock, she sent in an order to the company who supplies and stocks the first aid kits on campus—Zee Medical, however the order went ignored, and the tablets were not restocked.

The cabinets are typically checked and restocked on a monthly cycle according to Olivet's content specifications, Rick Lalumendre, Olivet's risk management coordinator, said.

While working over the summer, the same librarian encountered one of Zee Medical's employees stocking the first aid kits. When she asked the employee if they would be restocking the tablets this time, the employee told the librarian their company discontinued pain relief tablets in the first aid kits upon Olivet's request.

David Pickering, Director of Human Resources and Lalumendre recently told The GlimmerGlass their department had made the decision to no longer provide pain relief tablets in first aid kits because "it was in the best interest of personnel safety and risk reduction based on feedback from multiple business, higher education and legal sources."

Many over-the-counter medicines have health risks and dangerous side effects, including allergic reactions and drowsiness, Lalumendre said.

"A serious concern with providing medications to employees, students, and even visitors who may use the contents of a first aid cabinet on campus is that the individual could suffer an allergic reaction," Lalumendre said. "Medical professionals tell us this is possible even with common medication such as Tylenol or aspirin. Many people have sensitivities to these medications."

While pain relief tablets are no longer available in first aid kits around campus, first aid kits containing painkillers are still available through the resident directors in the dorms, according to the department of Health Services.

"If a student is seen by the campus nurse or Physician's Assistant and [it is] determined [he or she] need[s] medication, samples of cold medicines are available free of charge,

and the most common antibiotics prescribed by the physician are available at a nominal cost," said Linda Stone, Health Services' administrative assistant.

Even though the nurse has pain relief readily available, this medication is not dispersed without discretion. Pain relief tablets are no longer available to the student body via the same outlet they were before, but if needed, obtaining these tablets through other sources still remains a possibility.



PHOTO BY BEKAH COLBERT
First aid kits are available to students, faculty and staff and are located in all buildings on campus.

Trauma expert assists 'heroes'

By Justine Espersen
News Editor

An internationally recognized expert in psychology and therapy will present a workshop at Olivet this Saturday, Sept. 21, with plans to teach professional "heroes," such as social workers, firefighters, policemen, and emergency medical technicians how to respond in the aftermath of harrowing events.

Dr. Rony Berger's goal is to "care for the heroes," the professionals who often times don't get the post-traumatic stress disorder help that's needed.

Approached by Riverside Hospital's trauma coordinator Teresa Ciaccio, Berger agreed to provide a workshop for the heroes and the social work, criminal justice and nursing

majors at Olivet and Kankakee Community College (KCC).

Berger was contacted after a firefighter died from an automobile accident this past spring. The rural fire protection district responded, which left the firefighters and paramedics in a state of trauma after attempting to rescue their co-worker.

"It wasn't just anybody. It was somebody they worked with. It's very traumatic," said Dr. Craig Bishop, a professor of criminal justice, who will host the workshop. "Normally they go day in, day out and with people they don't know, but this is someone they worked alongside with."

This triggered the recognition of a need for these heroes, or stakeholders, to have someone to help with counseling and support services. A level of re-

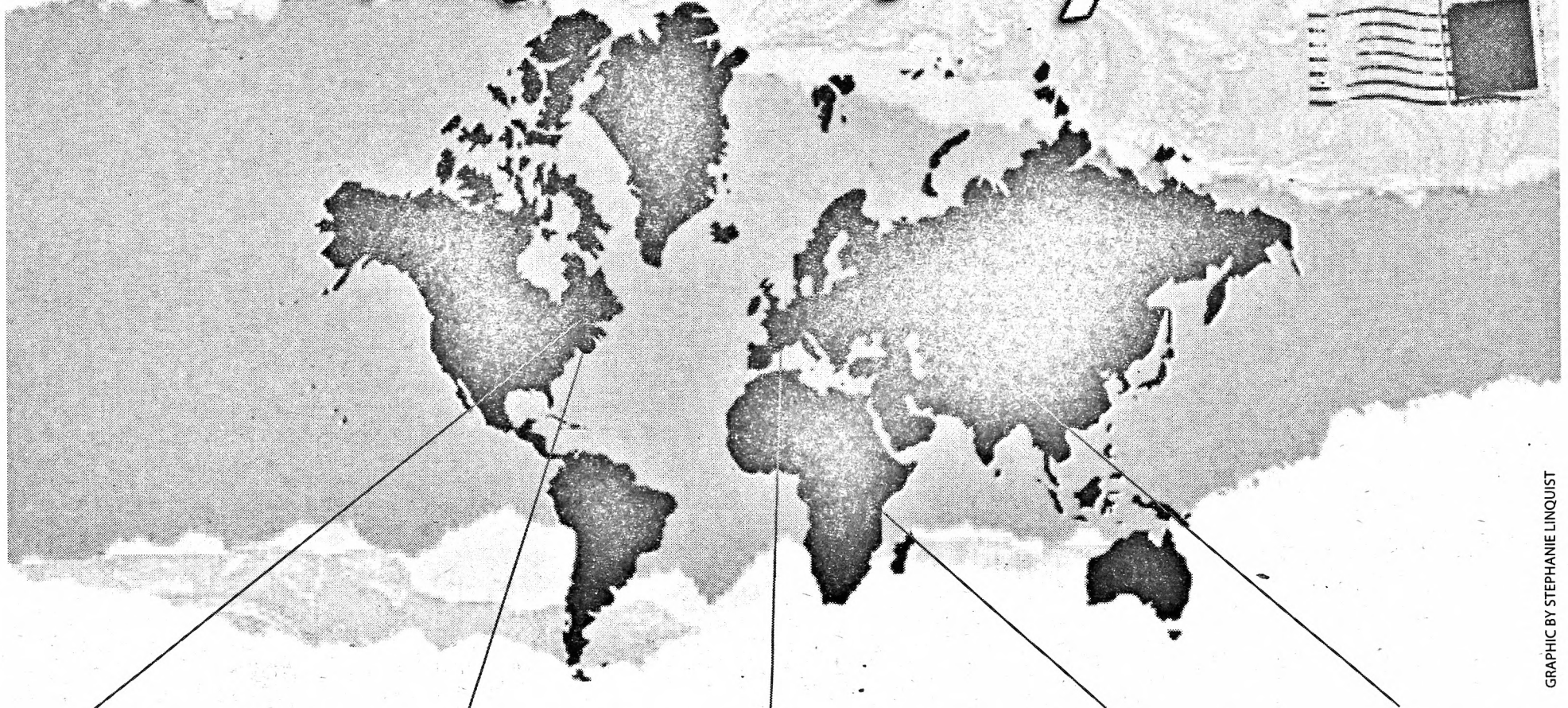
morse, emotion and distress impacted the heroes, as they were so close to the firefighter, Bishop added.

Berger's goal of this all-day workshop is to encourage employees to be open-minded about the need for professional help from working with traumatic occurrences daily. It is a need too for the stakeholders to recognize "they're not invulnerable to going through the same thing that the average citizen goes through."

"Dr. Berger has a definite sensitivity for the needs of those who respond to a disaster or crisis and provides many tools for them to use in dealing with the aftermath of their experiences," Ciaccio said in a press release.

Olivet, Riverside Medical Center, Presence St. Mary's Hospital and KCC collaborated to host this event.

A Global Glimpse



GRAPHIC BY STEPHANIE LINQUIST

Ottawa, ONTARIO

A bus crashed through a crossing barrier into a commuter train in Canada's capital on Wednesday, killing six people and injuring 30.

"He smoked the train," witness Mark Cogan said about the bus driver, who was killed. "He went through the guard rail and just hammered the train, and then it was just mayhem."

The impact ripped off the front of the double-decker bus while, the train's locomotive and one passenger car derailed.

Ottawa officials said 10 of the injured were in critical condition, but it was not clarified what caused the bus to smash through the lowered barrier on the national Via Rail's Ottawa-Toronto route in suburban Ottawa.

Via Rail crossings have long been a concern, according to the national Transportation Safety Board's lead investigator, Glen Pilon. He said obtaining the black box recording was pertinent to determine what went wrong.

This was Canada's second major rail accident in less than three months. On July 6, a runaway oil train derailed and exploded in a Quebec town, killing 47 people -- the country's worst rail disaster in more than a century.

-Associated Press

Washington, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Some gun advocates are raising objections about the policy that prohibits servicemen and civilians from arming themselves for protection on bases after Monday's mass shooting at the Washington Navy Yard leaving 13 dead.

"I'd be all for everybody keeping their sidearms if they're in the military and on a military installation," Rep. Louis Gohmert, R-Texas, said. "That's something we need to get back to."

John R. Lott, a leading gun rights advocate, said he believes the Pentagon has "disarmed" servicemen and civilians on bases. He argues that military bases are "gun-free zones ripe for mass shooting events."

Others refute this argument, saying more guns in the hands of untrained civilians will not prevent shootings.

Steven Bucci, a foreign policy expert at the Heritage Foundation think tank and a former Army Special Forces officer, said he doesn't suspect there was "ever an open carry law" on any military base in the country.

"I don't know where people got this idea that military guys are always carrying around weapons," Bucci said.

-Yahoo! News

Paris, FRANCE

Child beauty pageants may be banned in France, as a surprise vote in the French Senate raised questions about the pageant industry and their relation to girls' sexuality.

French legislators considered approving a ban on anyone under 16 from modeling products meant for adults, a week prior to Paris Fashion week.

This proposed children's pageant amendment emerge from a debate on a women's rights law. The legislation, approved by a vote of 197-146, will go to the lower house of parliament for debate and another vote.

The senators considered brainstorming a softer measure limiting pageants, but concluded on an overall ban.

"We are talking about children who are only being judged on their appearance, and that is totally contrary to the development of a child," the French amendment's author, Chantal Jouanno, said.

These "dolloed-up beauty queens" have drawn criticism in several countries, which includes the U.S. with the reality show, "Toddlers & Tiaras." However regulations are rare.

-Associated Press

Zanzibar, TANZANIA

Tanzanian police arrested 15 suspects Tuesday following the latest acid attacks on the island in recent months.

Most of the arrested suspects had acid in their possession and experience working with it, Mussa Ali Mussa, a local police commissioner, said.

Attackers threw acid at a Catholic priest as he was leaving an Internet cafe last Friday. This was the third unprovoked assault in two months.

Rev. Joseph Anselmo Mwangambwa, who was attacked in Zanzibar, is undergoing treatment in Dar es Salaam.

Earlier incidents include two British teenagers walking when men on a motorcycle threw acid at them in Zanzibar, according to officials.

Katie Gee and Kirstie Trup, both 18, were attacked in Stone Town last month. They were volunteer teachers on the island.

In July, a businessman who built a mall close to the American Embassy of Dar es Salaam was injured in an acid attack, Tanzanian media reported.

The attacks occurred when Islamist extremism escalated in the area, which has Muslim majority.

-CNN

Moscow, RUSSIA

Russia condemned the United Nations report on Syria's chemical arms use on Wednesday as biased and incomplete.

The Russians continued to critique Western governments' interpretations of the U.N. report, which included the first confirmation of a large chemical weapons assault on Aug. 21 outside Syria's capital, Damascus.

The report noted annexes on the types of weapons used, the amount of poison gas they carried and their trajectories, which led to the conclusion that Syria's president, Bashar al-Assad, was culpable.

The Russian criticism came when the Security Council ensured the Syrian government honors its commitment to identify and surrender all chemical munitions for destruction, but Russian officials noted that insurgents had also used chemical weapons on other occasions.

"We are unhappy about this report," said Sergei A. Ryabkov, the country's deputy foreign minister. "We think that the report was distorted. It was one-sided. The basis of information upon which it is built is insufficient."

-The New York Times

CAMPUS LIFE

Drum Beats:

Kolby Meador's beard may not be here to stay as he grew it out for his team in the Chicago Marathon.



●: How do you like your eggs cooked?

I actually don't like eggs. They make me sick. Ever since I was a kid, I smell eggs and get sick to my stomach.

●: If you were the ruler of the world, what is the first law you would make?

I would make a dance once a week and everybody would have to attend the dance, because dancing is just fun.

●: What is your favorite milkshake flavor?

I would say cookies and cream, but I'm more of a Blizzard guy, Chocolate Extreme. That's where it's at.

●: If you could breed two animals together to defy the laws of nature, what new animal would you create?

Bears are my favorite animals, so I would probably crossbreed a bear with an Albatross. So you could fly and ride a bear. That would be pretty sweet.

●: What's your favorite joke?

It's not a joke really, but whenever someone says, "That's intense!" I say, "Yeah and we're not even camping!"

●: What traditionally adorns the top of your Christmas tree?

Just a star, my family is pretty traditional. But I'm actually not a big Christmas guy, Thanksgiving is my thing.

●: Do you like to start with X or O when you are playing tic-tac-toe?

I like starting with X, you win every time.

●: What's the funniest thing you've ever gotten in trouble for?

Streaking... There was one night where I was playing this game called fugitive, it's like hide and seek. We had seven people in the car and we got pulled over, we had a guy in the trunk.

●: What do you have on your fridge door?

Usually just magnets with sports schedules. Back home, I have a little sister and her drawings are on the fridge. She's my little buddy.

●: What's your favorite older TV show?

I'm a big fan of sketch comedy, so I'm a big fan of Saturday Night Live, Whose Line is it Anyway?, The Carol Burnett Show, The Muppets and I love Monty Python. Monty Python and the Holy Grail is my favorite movie hands down.

●: What would you eat for your last meal?

I would probably get boneless wings from Buffalo Wild Wings. I could live off those.

●: You are eating dinner with three U.S. presidents. Which ones would you choose?

Abraham Lincoln, some people say I kind of look like him. And just what he stood for, what he had to go through, failure after failure, succeed the way he did. It's sad that he had to die so early because he had a lot more to give.

Teddy Roosevelt, he was a man of character, he had to overcome a lot. He was told he wasn't going to live very long as a kid. And his character is so big, so I respect those two.

For my third one, I'm going to throw out a wild card and say Andrew Jackson. Because he seems like he would be a character.

●: Who is your most influential professor at Olivet?

The comm department is my home, so I love them equally. But my number one, and this is because I've been with him the longest, is Dr. Cohagan. I've had about seven or eight classes with him. I've done theater my whole life and when I came here I was struggling with doing ministry but doing what I really love to do and using the film studies platform to be a witness for God. He's the one who got me into the theatre program. He's completely changed my life. I'm a completely different person. I have nothing but respect for him.

Do you know an interesting person who marches to their own beat? Submit their name to the GlimmerGlass for our Next Drum Beats profile.

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Seeing double: Vision 2022

By A.J.W. Ewers

Staff Writer

Six years into its second century as an institution of higher learning, Olivet Nazarene University gears up for the future.

Olivet's plan for its future is known to ONU administration as "Vision 2022." It covers the time period from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2022.

Vision 2022 will come to completion in the same year ONU is projected to award its 100,000th bachelor's degree. Announced by Dr. Bowling himself at the Alumni Breakfast held at the General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene in Indianapolis, Ind. this summer, "Vision 2022" lays out Dr. Bowling and the rest of the administration's plan for ONU's future academically, spiritually and globally.

While all of the details of "Vision 2022" have not been officially

released, Dr. Bowling laid out four main principles the ONU administrative team hopes to achieve through the plan during his speech.

ONU first plans to expand its global reach. In addition to its main campus located here in Bourbonnais, ONU has many satellite campuses around Illinois. It also plans to elevate the ONU experience through an increase in recreational activities, such as those already offered through the Student Life and Recreation Center or through a revamp of traditional activities such as those offered through the annual Ollies Follies event.

ONU also strives for academic excellence. While it already offers more than 100 majors, minors and areas of concentration, this number might increase in the near future.

Olivet will also continue to pursue a position of leadership in both the academic and spiritual world. Through

the 'Vision 2022' plan, Olivet will continue to foster an environment ideal for the growth and formation of future's leaders.

During his speech at the President's dinner, Dr. Bowling said "Vision 2022" "is more than a plan, it is a call to action."

Various details of the plan have been shared with the Office of Admissions in order to further recruit future students, however the department declined to comment on the topic.

While administration is ready for "Vision 2022," some students are fond of the way things have been run during their time here.

"I hope that in a lot of ways Olivet stays the same," said junior Ellie Jolly. "That our professors still have the one-on-one relationships and that we still strive for integrity. I hope that Olivet continues to be a place to find God and to grow closer to Him."



PHOTO BY LINDSAY HATHAWAY

Local fire dancers perform for a crowd during the Fall Art Stroll as part of the Community Arts Council's display of live art at this year's festival.

"Live art" performed at local festival

By Lindsay Hathaway

Staff Writer

Buzzing chainsaws and the tunes of a local church choir singing filled the air in downtown Kankakee on Sept. 15.

The Fall Art Stroll was held at the Train Depot. The festival has been an annual event since 1975 and features the works of local artists.

Janice Miller, President of the community arts center, said the event is designed to get people to "stroll from building to building" and visit the different vendors.

Although there were only two buildings used in the event this year, there were many art displays. There were 94 vendors with stations set up in the Train Depot, the clock tower, and everywhere in between.

With "pure art" being the focus this year, the Exploration Station from Bourbonnais' Perry Farm had a station set up for kids to create art project. There were various other types of live art stations set up throughout the festival including a man doing chainsaw carving.

Although the event is over, the art council puts on events, art classes and a mall art show throughout the year.

CAMPUS LIFE

Olivet serves impoverished town

By A.E. Sarver

Campus Life Editor

It was 1952. Rev. Hezekiah Brady, Jr. moved and began his legacy of helping the poor in a little town- Pembroke, Illinois.

"People look at Pembroke as a desert; one day it will be an oasis," he used to say.

He started the Center for Recreation And Family Training (C.R.A.F.T.) to serve the Pembroke community by educating families. Now, 39 years later, his daughter, Dr. Darcel Brady, is the director of C.R.A.F.T and an education professor at Olivet.

"[Pembroke] was totally different than it is now. Everybody knew everybody, churches did a lot together. It was more neighborly and kid friendly. Parents were close knit and supported one another," Brady said.

Pembroke Township is 20 miles from Bourbonnais and is one of the most impoverished towns in Illinois. Recently, students from Olivet have teamed up with members of the community to serve the town with more than just handouts.

Olivet's efforts with Pembroke started decades ago when the campus ministry, Disciplers, went out once a week to Bible Witness Camp in Hopkins Park.

The current Olivet Disciplers team still provides this program for the youth living in Pembroke Township



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Hopkins Park, Ill. resident, Eugene Thomas stands outside his home, which he has live in since 1967.

and Hopkins Park.

In 2009, Whitney Means, 2013 graduate, joined this ministry and wondered where all the children were coming from. She found a community, not too far away, living in poverty.

During her senior year, Means was able to fulfill her Social Work degree by interning in Pembroke. She helped one of the social work classes and conducted 44 interviews with Pembroke residents. Her goal: to hear the voices of the community.

Means and her classmates found a town without a high school or a police department. More than half of the surveyed population made

less than \$25,000 a year and half of all families' incomes range between \$15,000 and \$34,999. No one is recorded as maintaining an income over \$100,000, according to the Pembroke Township Capacity Assessment conducted by Means and the rest of the students in the fall 2012 social work practice III class.

"We need to come alongside the community and educate. Not just give free things. That has happened long enough and has not helped," Means said.

Means' words are the battle cry of the Reed sisters, co-leaders of the current campus ministry, Compas-

sionate Ministries. They learned about Pembroke in the past year and are making the town's decadence the focus for their ministry this year.

"We are all impoverished and broken people. We need to go in there to help develop the community. Equip them, love them and disciple them," Katie Reed said.

The sisters are ready to serve Pembroke. They aren't interested in giving money or visiting residents once in a while. They want to serve in a way that gives glory to God.

"I sometimes wonder if our generation would go on mission trips if there wasn't a camera going with

them," Katie said.

Last weekend some Olivet students proved they would.

On Sept. 14, CSL Behring, a company in Bradley, hosted their 60th anniversary and asked Compassionate Ministries to provide 150 volunteers for their event. If they did, CSL Behring would donate \$5,200 toward the completion of the library and a Child Development Program in Pembroke.

Before midnight on September 13, the group was able to get 183 people to commit to serve and people were still asking if they could help after the deadline.

"We are doing this to eventually step away from Pembroke. We want to build them up so they can do this themselves," Becca Reed said.

It doesn't stop there, the Reeds made a proposal to the Regional Director of Nazarene Compassionate Ministries for funding, securing \$5,000 for Pembroke.

The Reed sisters, Whitney Means and Dr. Brady have a vision for Pembroke and are sharing it with the Olivet community.

"The Pembroke community is full of possibilities and opportunities. The community engagement by Olivet students is focused on identifying the strengths in the community and coming alongside Pembroke residents to bring those possibilities and opportunities to life," the former chair of Olivet's Social Work program, Dr. Houston Thompson said.

Privacy policies in smartphone apps reveal gaps in user protection

Taylor Provost

Staff Writer

"My [Instagram] account is public; I'm too lazy to figure out how to switch it to private, and I don't exactly have a huge crowd of people clamoring to follow me," sophomore Madison Caise said. But apps like Instagram and Snapchat are not as private as users may think.

The Apple and Android compatible app, Instagram, has gained popularity over the past year. The app offers users the choice to make their account private. It allows a user to see follower requests and decide who can follow them, and have access to their posts.

Instagram also offers a block feature, giving users the ability to screen users. These available privacy options create a certain level of comfort among users; however, these two options lack the full protection they may imply.

In the app's privacy policy, Instagram creators say that if the corporation "sell[s] or otherwise transfer[s] part or the whole of Instagram or our assets to another organization ... your information such as name and email address, user content and any other information collected through the service may be among the items sold or transferred."

When choosing whether or not to make an account private, users are really only choosing to establish privacy between themselves and other users. Potentially, entire companies can view information shared on a user's account.

If the fine print of Instagram's policy doesn't have users reconsidering reading the Terms and Conditions of apps before sharing information, the details of the privacy policies for the app Snapchat might.

In their policy, Snapchat's creators say, "When you send or receive Snaps, we also temporarily collect, process and store the contents of the Snaps on our servers."

When sending a "Snap," the content is not simply shared between the user and the person to whom it is sent. "Team Snapchat" serves as a middleman in transferring Snaps to desired recipients, therefore, also sharing in the viewing of whatever content the Snap may hold.

Snapchat's privacy policy also states, "Once all recipients have viewed a Snap, we automatically delete the Snap from our servers and the Snapchat mobile application is programmed to delete the Snap from the recipients' devices. We cannot guarantee that deletion always occurs within a particular timeframe."

Essentially, there is no way to be

absolutely certain that a sent Snap has completely vanished from the recipient's device. Recipients have also found loopholes around deletion by taking screenshots of Snaps. While Snapchat says they "will attempt to notify you" if a screenshot has been taken, they make no guarantee that they will be aware every time; therefore, neither will users.

Sophomore Ryan Clark said, "I like using [Snapchat] now. It's a fun way to keep up with friends and send silly photos."

Snapchat has grown in popularity under the belief that it is a more intimate way to send and receive photos and videos to others due to their timed self-destruction, however even Snapchat founders clearly spell out, "You should not use Snapchat to send messages if you want to be certain that the recipient cannot keep a copy."

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1. President Obama made a special appearance during the Sophomores class' performance at the Ollies Follies Variety Show on Sept. 8. The Freshmen class shocked the crowd during their second act as they performed a dance rendition of celebrity singer, Miley Cyrus' performance at the Video Music Awards. Despite their efforts, the Freshman class came in last place, followed by the Juniors in third, Sophomores in second and Seniors in first.

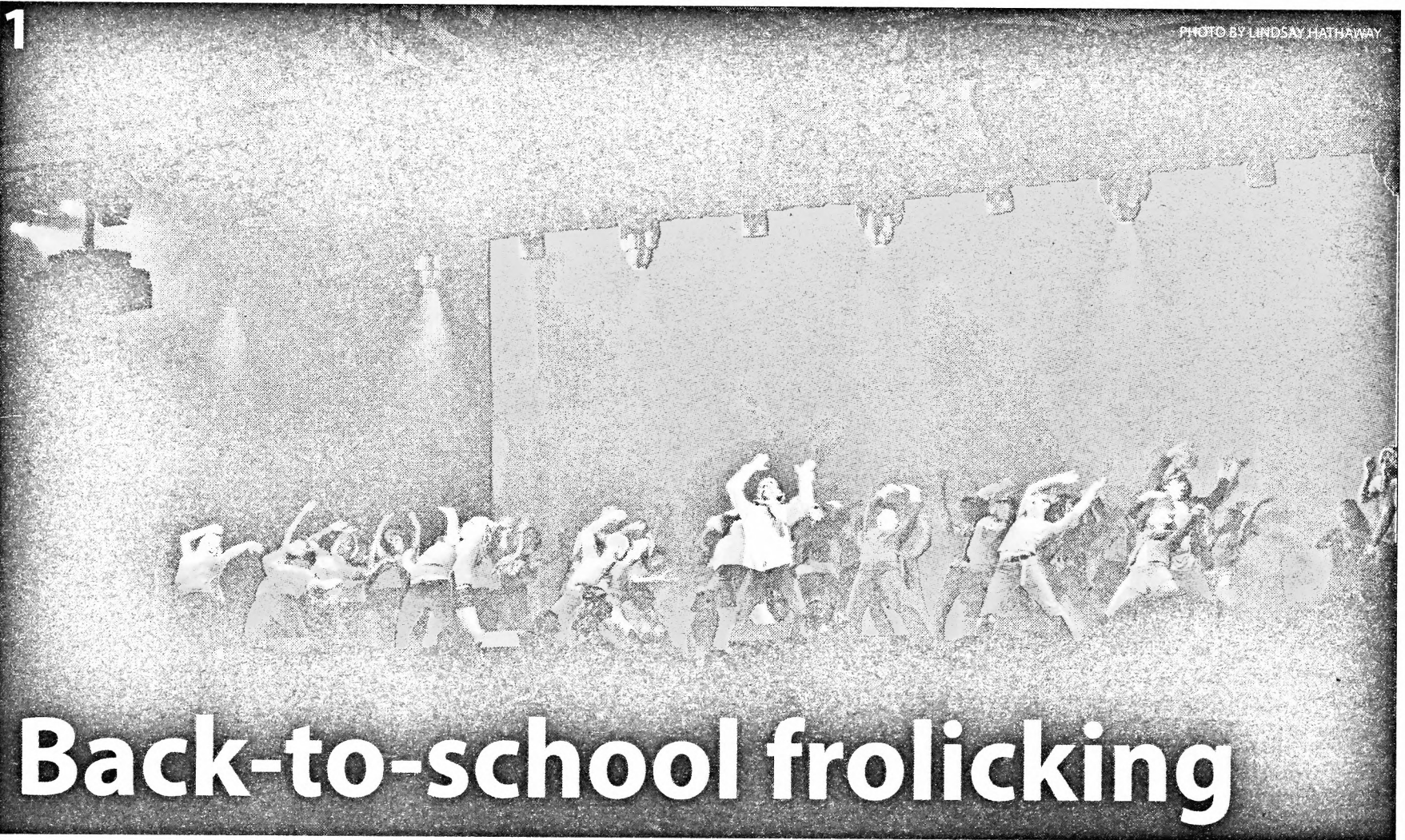


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Back-to-school frolicking

2. A freshman and a sophomore search for marshmallows in a tub of flour during the wheelbarrel relay race as part of Ollies Follies Wacky Games' class competition on Sept. 1.

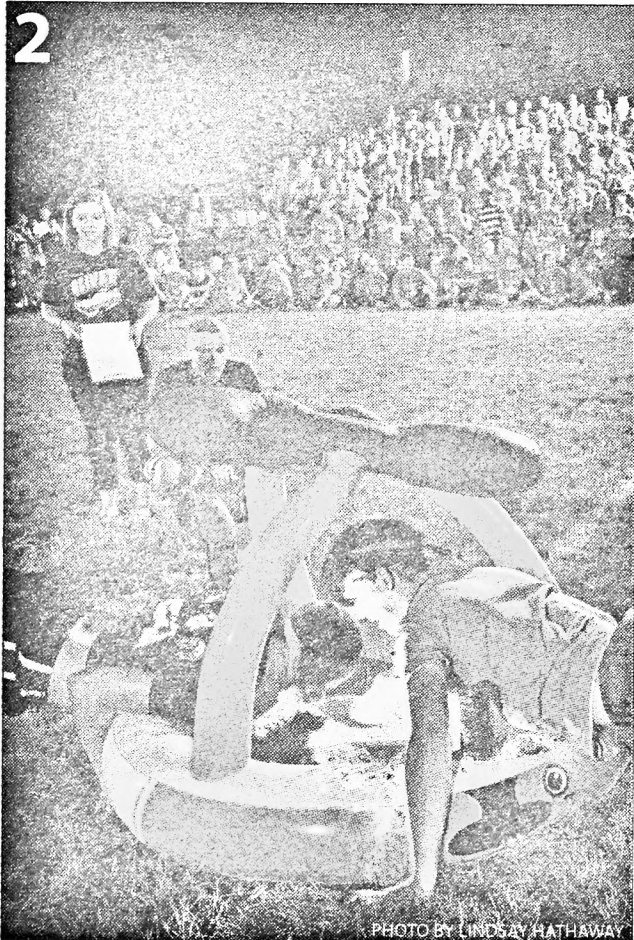


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3. Students get ready for Paint Wars. Many used duck tape to turn their war shirts into art on Sept. 14.

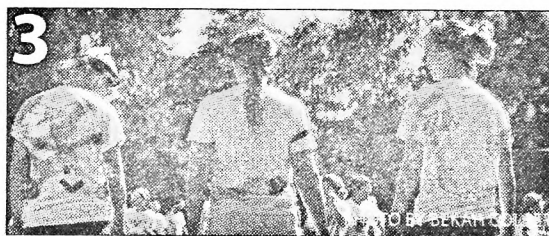


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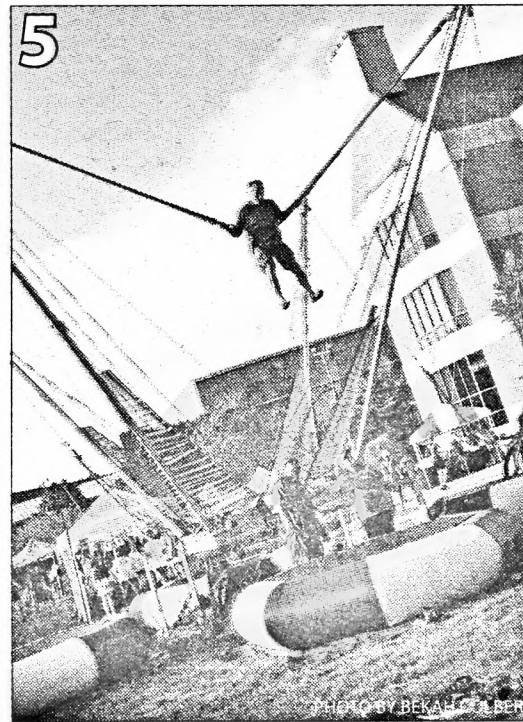
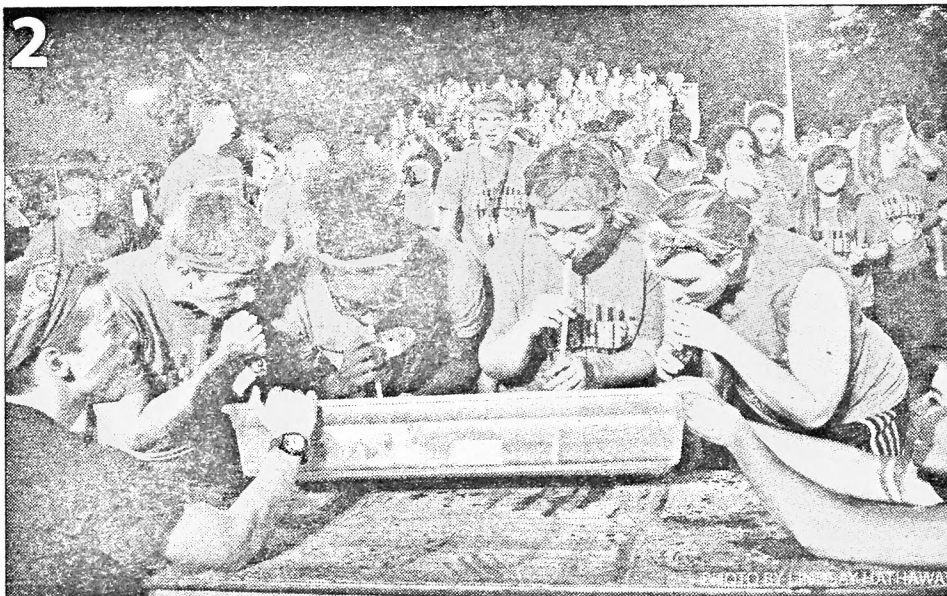
4. The Juniors struggle to win the tug-of-war challenge for their class during Wacky Games.



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In the first weeks of classes, wars, competitions and events consumed the lives of students. The annual Block Party, Ollies Follies Variety Show, Wacky Games and Paint Wars gave participating students something to do while adjusting back to college life after the summer months.

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1. As paint flies through the air, students run to the middle of the field to collect balls for their teams during the dodgeball competition at Paint Wars.

2. The freshmen experience Wacky Games for the first time while participating in the drink chugging challenge.

3. Seniors, clad in orange, cheer for their class—the winners of the Wacky Games.

4. Junior Francisco Ramirez encourages his class as they pull to win the tug-of-war competition.

5. A student bounces in the bungee jump at the Block Party on Aug. 30. The weather was clear until a storm blew in around 7:00 p.m. This is the first time it has ever rained during a Block Party, according to the office of Student Development.

CAMPUS LIFE



HeArt ministry was one of 14 groups included in the Festival of Ministries in Ludwig on Sept. 11. Above, students talk to various Spiritual Life leaders.

HeArt helps design Broadway Revue sets

By Grace King
Opinion Editor

Aside from their debut "live art" creation during the Festival of Ministries chapel sermon, HeArt ministry has also partnered with Broadway Revue to design sets for the show, which premieres Oct. 4.

The theme of this year's Broadway Revue is "Louder Than Words." The show encompasses the idea of taking action, making a change and seizing the day, said senior Ben Geeding, the music director for Broadway Revue.

As the directors of the show sat down and talked about the set, they wanted to put together a picture that would visually articulate the different songs of the show.

Creating a 1950s feel, the crew visualized vinyl records and pianos displayed across the stage.

As Geeding and senior Ron Gamache, the director of Broadway Revue, began talking about putting together the set, they realized they didn't have the experience needed to paint the details.

"All of a sudden we realized, 'who's going to do that?'" Gamache said. "I've been building sets for three years now, and painting them and designing them that way, but who is going to draw the lines on the records, or who is going to make sure it really does look like a piano?"

The hunt for artists led them to Alina Ellis, leader of HeArt, who

quickly agreed this was the perfect opportunity to come alongside another group, work together and get to know one another.

"Alina is one of my friends, and we were helping move freshmen in and she was telling me about the ministry and saying how they were looking for opportunities to help out," Geeding said. "Timing just coincided..."

The combination of two different types of art makes the challenge more endearing, according to Taylor Cole, co-leader of HeArt.

"It's kind of cool since it's visual artists working with musicians. It's two different types of art coming together."

Both groups are looking forward to

combining their talents for ministry. According to Gamache, not only will this add to the quality of their production, it also gives HeArt a chance to get the exposure they need to grow as a ministry.

"The art ministry is just another facet of our production that we think is working toward upping it up," Gamache said.

The leaders of these groups continue to develop the idea for the stage, putting together the biggest Broadway Revue production yet.

"You're going to see it and your eyes are going to take in the message right away," Geeding said, "You're going to understand the theme, how there are records and music; I'm

excited about it."

Broadway Revue and HeArt will be combining forces and holding a Saturday painting session where they hope to get to know one another, have fun and crank out the set.

"Our cast is going to come basically with paint clothes and open arms, and then the art ministry is going to kind of spearhead the specifics," Gamache said.

As Ellis plans out the details of decorating the set, she continues to put God first. "We're just trying to get our feet wet and see what we can do and what works and what doesn't. Just trying to learn how the Lord is going to allow us to function," she said.

Glimmer Glances

Campus Events

9/21-Planetarium Show: One World, One Sky, Big Bird's Adventure. Free with ONU ID. 9 p.m.
9/21-Time Hawkins Concert. Centennial Chapel. Student tickets \$10. Doors open at 6 p.m.
9/27-Spoons 4 Forks. 9 p.m. Wisner.

Creative Arts

9/20-Nielson & Young with Orchestra and Concert Singers. 7 p.m. Kresge.
9/28-KVSO Concert. 7 p.m. Kresge.
10/3-Broadway Revue. 7-9 p.m. and 9:30-11:30 p.m. Kresge.

Residential Life

9/19-WRL's Sister-2-Sister Kick-Off. 9 p.m. College Church.
9/28-Tentative MRL tailgate party. 11:30 a.m. Warming House.

Well Being

9/19-Counseling Services groups promotions. Ludwig.
9/30-Registration deadline for Mentor-a-Couple program.

Academics

9/20-final day to drop block I classes

Athletics

9/20-Holiday Inn Express Volleyball Tournament.
9/21-Men's Soccer vs. Grand View University. 3 p.m. Snowbarger.
9/24-Volleyball vs. St. Francis. 7 p.m. McHie.
9/26-Men's Golf. 9 a.m. Balmoral Country Club
9/26-Volleyball vs. Purdue Calumet. 7 p.m. McHie.
9/28-Tiger Football vs. Siena Heights. 1:30 p.m. Ward Field.
10/1-Women's Soccer vs. Purdue Calumet. 7 p.m. Snowbarger.

Athletics

10/2-Men's Soccer vs. Purdue University. 6 p.m. Snowbarger.

Clubs & Organizations

9/26-Hispanic Heritage Dinner. 6 p.m. Warming House.
9/29-Spoons 4 Forks auditions. Warming House

Spiritual Development

9/23-Part with Jesus Kick-Off. 11:00 p.m. Warming House.
9/25-Parlor. 7 p.m. College Church.

Spiritual Development

9/29-10/6-Homeless Week.
9/30-Party with Jesus. 11 p.m. Warming House.
10/02-Parlor. 7 p.m. College Church.

Chapel

9/25-Speaker the Rev. Gary Sivewright. 10 a.m.
9/26-Speaker Chaplain Mark Holcomb. 9:30 a.m.
10/2-Speaker the Rev. Scott Sherwood. 10 a.m.
10/3-Praise and Worship Service. 9:30 a.m.

OPINION

Dear In the Headlights,
By Jimmy Phillips



Rejection is just about the most difficult experience with which we can come to terms. Nobody likes being told no. Nobody, that is, except me.

Like a recon plane over Bosnia, I love nothing more than getting shot down. It's not like I have to go out of my way either. It just happens. It's the story of my life.

I'll ask the girl to dinner and she'll say no. I'd try out for sports and not make the team. I'd audition for parts and never get called back; I apply for jobs and don't get hired. I've even interviewed for Jeopardy! three times and been told "thanks, but we'll pass."

Why do I put myself through the pain? Maybe I just like crying alone in a dark room. Maybe I like any excuse to eat my feelings. Maybe this is my form of masochistic expressionism. At the end of the day, it doesn't really matter why I do it because it's the one thing I am good at.

I sat around for a long time wishing I could sing, or dance, or do anything athletic, or [insert random talent here]. When the truth is, I am only good at failing. Some people would be deeply saddened by the revelation that their only skill lies in being completely worthless at everything else. But I am not some people.

I appreciate my prodigious talent. Although I have yet to find a situation where a knack for failing comes in handy, I am sure such an occasion is bound to arise. When it does, I will be ready.

The lessons learned from failing at every single thing to which I have put my mind have done so much to enrich my life. If it weren't for my legendary failure, I would measure my merit by what I am good at. Apart from quantitative goodness, of which I am utterly bereft, I've had to find my value in other places. And I like what I'm worth.

Please, fail.

*From Russia With Love,
Jimmy*

Christians should oppose death penalty

View point: Jesus Christ was a victim of capital punishment

By A.J.W. Ewers
Staff Writer

I am going to die one day. I just know it.

I have faced the fact of my inevitable death time and time again, and I am okay with it. Well, as okay as any living person can be with the fact they won't be able to live in their suburban home and drive their Subaru forever. If I were a betting man, I would say you are going to die, too. Let's just hope it's in an interesting way about which your descendants can brag for millennia to come.

There are several things each person should learn throughout the course of their life. First, everyone is going to eventually die. I know it is sad and I sympathize with you greatly, but trying to argue with that fact is like trying to stop the wind.

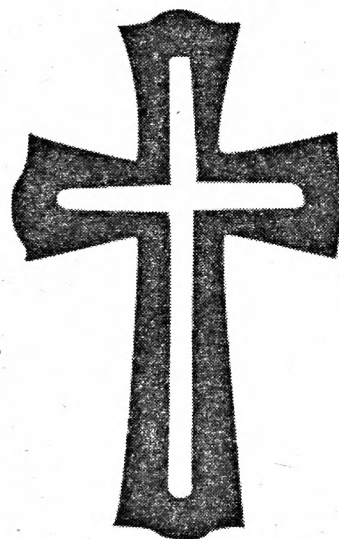
Then a person learns, hopefully, that murder is wrong. Most Christians learn that the moral ills of our society (abortion, genocide, and euthanasia, etc.) are all wrong too. And then after all of this moral development that we take great interest and care in foster-

ing in ourselves and in our children, we learn that it is morally acceptable to execute those individuals that we designate as 'depraved' and 'unredeemable.'

While society and many Christians may have no problem with the death penalty, I do. There are two reasons in particular as to why I choose to go against the norm. First, I must believe, as an imperfect human, I make mistakes. If I believe I make mistakes because of my imperfection, I must also believe all the other imperfect humans out there make mistakes, too.

Dr. Stephen Greenspan, Ph.D., in his paper, "Posthumous Pardons Granted in American History," states, "On at least 20 occasions in American, posthumous pardons, involving 107 individuals, 12 of them executed, have been pardoned."

This is just 12 people who were executed and were later pardoned after their executions because their innocence was discovered. How often is our judicial system wrong about those it sentences to death? I choose not to put the fate of a man or woman's life in the hands of 12 jury



GRAPHIC BY STEPHANIE LINQUIST

become the Savior of the world. His wrongful conviction and the prejudices that surrounded it ought to help us realize we are often prejudiced in many criminal cases.

The most recent case that comes to mind is the handing down of a death sentence to Major Nidal Hasan by a military jury at the end of August. While Hasan is a known radical Islamist and it is not in question whether or not he murdered 13 men and women in his 2009 Fort Hood shooting rampage, what is questionable is the fact that it only took two hours for the jury to sentence him to death.

Are we allowing the justice system and ourselves to become so inundated with prejudice that we can no longer correctly use our moral compass to recognize that any death, no matter if it is imposed by the state or not, is desired by God.

In any case, where state sanctioned death is in question, we must consider what Christ said: "Give unto Caesar what is Caesar's; give unto God what is God's." And I truly believe life, no matter what the circumstances, is not Caesar's.

members.

While it is a horrible fact of society that we have executed innocent individuals, it is even worse to think we have the most important reason as to why we should not impose the death penalty right in front of our eyes.

Christ was a victim of the system. By his wrongful execution, he has

#onuchapel critiques revival speaker

"If you can't keep up with the chapel speaker, you need to watch more Gilmore Girls...or drink more coffee...or both."



-Katlynn Rose

@katchrose88

"After I can convince myself that this guy won't pass out or have a heart attack, I really enjoy what he has to say #takeabreath"



-Katie DeLong

@ktdelong121

"Attention, those who are upset he's repeating himself. He's preaching about John the Baptist, who always preached the same thing."



-Seth K Lowery

@sethklowery



@joyfully_anna

"Launch me Jesus church of the nazarene'Sounds like a rocket ship church...."

-AnnaLisa Pouliot



@MollyShirosky

"Do you know what it's like to never be alone again? That is the intimacy of Christ.' Wow. Beautiful."

-Molly Shirosky



@dancergirl92

"@TheGlimmerGlass he is such a great speaker and I like how he looks at things from a different point of view."

-Hayley Mae

OPINION

Smartphones kill social skills

By Riley Anderson
Contributing Writer

We are a distracted generation; 38 percent of college students can't go ten minutes without checking their smartphone. In today's society, the Internet and smartphones are seen as a necessity to keep in contact, stay up to date, and free yourself from boredom.

As technology advances, our dependency on it increases. With social networking always in our pocket, we become careless about the information we share with others and rely on the technology to provide us with our human interaction. Our people skills suffer and we are constantly straining our attention, which ought to be focused on things like studying, work and friends.

If I'm standing next to you, trying to have a conversation, and all you're doing is looking down at your phone and responding with "yeah" "mmmhmm" and "okay," I'm 100% sure you're not really listening to me. People come across as less personable and approachable if they are always on their phone.

Smartphones keep us from having actual face-to-face communication with people. This face-to-face communication allows us to make real connections and becomes even more important when related to job interviews. The way you communicate face-to-face in a business setting could be the difference between getting the job and being unemployed.

Having social networking at our fingertips is really nice in some ways.

I was able to upload photos from Olives Follies right after they were taken. However, we can also share too much.

As pointed out in the movie "Easy A", the character Mr. Griffith says "I don't know what your generation's fascination is with documenting your every thought, but I can assure you, they're not all diamonds. 'Roman is having an OK day, and bought a Coke Zero at the gas station. Raise the roof.'"

Not everything is worth sharing. Excessive tweets and facebook posts are annoying. While it's easy to vent your feelings on social media, it can make others feel uncomfortable and may burden others. And remember, it is becoming more frequent for businesses to check out your online profile before hiring.

As I sit here refreshing my Twitter account on my new iPhone, I feel the need to point out what a big distraction smartphones are. In fact, 73 percent of college student say they cannot study without technology. We would be if we turned the phone on silent, resisted the social networking, and just focused on the work ahead of us.

I have noticed in myself a decrease in attention span when reading my textbooks simply because I feel the need to check Facebook or Twitter. Studying would be way more effective if that were our only focus.

The ability to multitask takes away from our concentration. While we may feel more productive by multitasking, our mind can only multitask so much.



PHOTO BY LINDSAY HATHAWAY

Freshmen Andrea Hay and Paige Phillips check their social media accounts while sitting in one another's company.

GiGi's Corner: You can't un-see the unsightly

Dear Gigi, I was in the Rec Center in the men's locker room after an intense workout. Out of nowhere, a professor steps out of the shower fully naked and prances across the room to his locker. Every time I see this man, I cannot help but think, "I have seen your genitals." I just pray I don't have a class with him! So what do you do to un-see something? Sincerely, Scarred

Dear Scarred, You're a dude. The professor's a dude. You both have the same stuff down south. Grow up and deal with it. Prudishness is understandable in an auditorium, but it's a locker room. That's where the clothes are supposed to come off. And if you

ever do have him as a professor at least it won't be as difficult to picture him in his underwear during a presentation.

Dear Gigi, my girlfriend really wants to take our relationship to the next level, but she has perpetually bad breath and kind of grosses me out. How do I tell her that she is nasty but in a nice way? Sincerely, Grossed Out

Dear Grossed Out, You are using the word "nasty" to describe your girlfriend. Maybe dating her was a bad decision. Nobody should be in a relationship with a human they choose to label as "nasty" or "kind of gross."

Dump her now. But let her know it's because of her horrendous hygiene. It would be unkind to let her continue in life thinking it's acceptable to refrain from cleaning herself. If you can't bring yourself to tell her she needs to shower then just go with, "I don't think it's in God's will for us to be together." That never fails around here.

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Editorial



The promised pizza parties, the free cookies, the labeled water bottles and the welcoming coffees have to stop.

We are tired of holy bribes.

The push on campus to get students involved with local churches is omnipresent this year.

During the last service of the pre-semester student leadership retreat at Cedar Lake, Ind., Dr. Quanstrom, professor of Theology and Philosophy, asked the group of leaders a simple question: is it necessary to go to church in order to get into heaven?

According to Quanstrom, the answer is yes. He later clarified his intent to The GlimmerGlass; "Church isn't an event. It is a community. I'm more concerned about students identifying with a church community."

As a generation tired of traditions, a Millennial's attitude towards church is nonchalant and Quanstrom's words frustrated many students.

However, male Old Oak RD, Jon Croft, took the ideas presented in Quanstrom's sermon and ran with them.

At the start of the school year, Croft shared the new initiative he developed with the other Old Oak RDs for all Oaks residents—The Oaks Goes to Church Initiative.

The initiative is monitored by RAs and looks like this: if an entire building of residents attends church every Sunday for a month, the building will get to have a pizza party. Residents will turn in bulletins from the church service they attend each Sunday so RAs can track who is, and inadvertently who isn't, going to church.

"As a community, we value church attendance," Croft said. "A little positive peer pressure is a good thing."

This is more than enough motivation, right? We're poor college students, of course we will do anything for free food.

We think spirituality should never be that simple.

The issue of bribery came up again during the Festival of Churches.

Local churches lined up in the

lobby of Ludwig and did everything they could to grab students' attention.

Some passed out free church-labeled water bottles; some gave away cookies baked by that elderly woman in every congregation who makes delicious desserts for all church events; some passed out hip and attractively designed flyers. The scene could have easily been mistaken for a meat market.

However, Quanstrom told the GlimmerGlass he was fine with the churches' vying for student attention.

"If it raises consciousness, it's a good thing. However, whatever we do should not be alienating or coercive," Quanstrom said. "The truth is, if you go to church for the sake of a pizza, you never know how God can work."

And while this may be true, we are not arguing whether or not God can use a heart with only pure motives. We are simply asking for some space.

While it may be a part of Olivet's Vision 2022 to get students on campus involved with local churches, the bribery and the peer pressure needs to be toned down.

The college years are often a vulnerable time for the development of one's faith. Students are allowed to struggle and question because they are safely wedged between the time of escape from their parents' influence and a future time of necessity to make spiritual decisions for a family.

We ask the adults on this campus to let that time be pure, raw and untainted for students.

While church attendance may be good and healthy and necessary for strong Christian growth, students need to be free to decide where and when and how they will build that spiritual community.

Please, leave our stomachs, and our empty wallets, out of it.

What's an editorial?

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SLRC has wide-ranging impact

David Timm

Sports Editor

The rec center is a multi-purpose student life building, and allows Olivet administration to orchestrate new opportunities for community connection, especially in sports and fitness-related recreation.

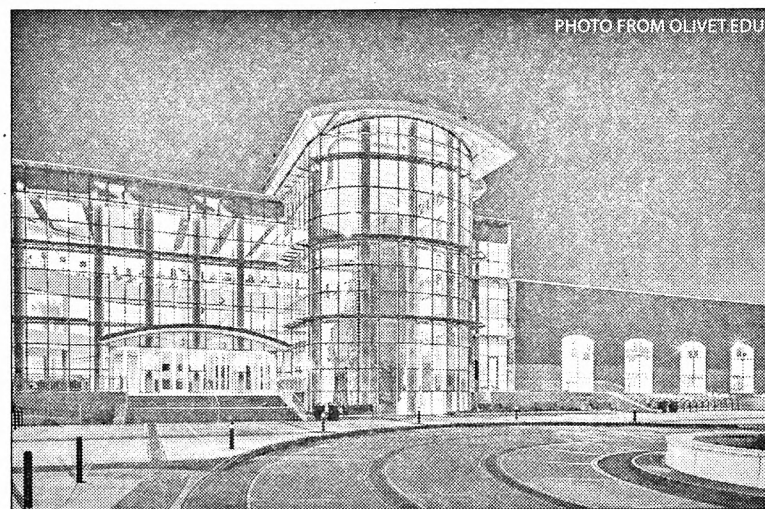
"It's so cliché, but it just changed everything," said Matt Smith, director of recreation at Olivet. "The new normal around here is pretty incredible."

The purpose of the center is to promote student recreation at Olivet in a number of ways, such as enhancing the intramural sports offered. The rec center provides an ideal environment for intramural games because of its large field house, Olympic-sized pool, state-of-the-art workout facility and the tallest rock wall in any university in North America.

Smith said it's hard to overestimate the impact of the rec center on the intramural program. "Saying that it's changed everything is such an understatement, but it just has."

The space the rec center offers is one benefit. This allows for "concurrent" indoor sports, Smith said. He called the intramural program "a fun competitive atmosphere that's fair."

The addition of numerous sports to ONU intramurals also introduces some new problems for those in



The Rec Center was completed last year on Dec. 12. It has since become the new hub for many campus activities.

charge. Smith knows intramural participation is important, and his emphasis this year is trying to figure out the balance between maintaining many options and keeping each sport filled with enough students.

Smith noted that because the rec center offers so many opportunities for students to be involved in, fewer students are participating in intramurals. Smith said in terms of recreational activities, "intramurals used to be one of the only organized large activities on campus." The challenge Smith and his team face is learning how to

keep up intramural involvement while still offering a wide variety of ways to be involved.

Despite the lower numbers this year, Smith recognizes intramural participation always ebbs and flows depending on the students at Olivet. "For a school [of] our size our intramural participation is amazing. It compares [with] lots of huge schools."

One of his focuses for this year and the future is to create recreational activities that aren't necessarily related to sports. This has already come to pass in the implementation of scuba

certification and fitness classes.

Another recent change for the intramural program was the switch to using an online service called IM Leagues. The service allows the intramural administrators to have students sign up and keep track of teams, scoring and scheduling online. This change was implemented last year.

Although ONU intramurals try to take advantage of the nice weather during the fall semester, the rec center is utilized from Jan. to Feb. with indoor sports. The intramurals include basketball, indoor soccer, a tennis tournament, dodgeball, arena football, badminton, six-on-six volleyball and an indoor kickball league.

The rec center was built to create an engaging atmosphere that draws students into Olivet's community-oriented culture. "Every crowd is a different crowd," Smith said. One of the ways the rec center promotes this goal is by keeping the building exclusively for Olivet undergraduates.

Smith thinks this is "brilliant" because it creates a place for students to connect to the university. All kinds of students with all kinds of interests come to study, shoot hoops, climb the rock wall, or get coffee without the Rec Center, that would be impossible. "It's what Dr. Bowling planned to do from day one," Smith said. "We value our students that much."

The exclusive status of the rec center has caused some dismay among community members and alumni, who expected to be allowed to use the facility as well. "From Dec. 1 through spring break, I spent an hour a day responding to phone calls and emails from people who wanted to use [the rec center] and couldn't," Smith said.

Smith claims similar facilities at Big Ten schools are comparable to ONU's newest building. He noted that although Iowa has 4,500 people per day in their building, ONU has approximately one-twentieth the total number of students and boasts an average of 1,500 students per day.

The rec center employs around 100 students and staff, offers about 30 fitness classes and remains open to undergraduate students from 6am to curfew six days a week. It is used as a hangout area on campus, seating close to 300 across the entire facility, not including the classrooms, pool or field house. "I still don't believe it when I come to work," Smith said.

"I really feel like I've been sanctioned to run this building for you," Smith said. "We talk about community around here...we talk about it because we believe in it. This is going to be a place where that happens. We finally have a place where anyone can come... this isn't just an intramural building."

ONU TIGER TEAM UPDATES

Football

Sept. 7: University of St. Francis (Ill.): L, 26-43

Sept. 14: at Robert Morris University (Ill.): L, 7-14

Sept. 21: at Concordia University-Ann Arbor (Mich.): 1 p.m.

Sept. 28: Siena Heights University (Mich.): 1:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer

Sept. 6: #18 Graceland University (Iowa): W, 1-0

Sept. 7: Hastings College (Neb.): L, 0-1

Sept. 13: #3 Spring Arbor University (Mich.): L, 0-1

Sept. 14: Cincinnati Christian University (Ohio): W, 8-0

Sept. 25: Holy Cross College (Ind.): 4 p.m.

Men's Soccer

Aug. 31: St. Ambrose University (Iowa): W, 4-1

Sept. 2: University of Northwestern Ohio: T, 1-1 (2OT)

Sept. 6: Indiana Institute of Technology: L, 1-2

Sept. 11: #7 Ashford University (Iowa): L, 1-3

Sept. 14: University of Michigan-Dearborn: W, 1-0

Sept. 21: #7 Grand View University (Iowa): 3 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

Aug. 23: vs. Cornerstone University (Mich.): L, 1-3

Aug. 24: vs. Hope International University (Cal.): W, 3-1

Aug. 30: vs. Marian University (Ind.): L, 2-3

Aug. 31: vs. Indiana Institute of Technology: W, 3-1

Sept. 6: vs. Dakota Wesleyan University (S.D.): W, 3-0

Sept. 7: vs. Hannibal LaGrange University (Mo.): W, 3-2

Sept. 12: at Trinity Christian College: L, 0-3

Sept. 17: at Purdue University-North Central (Ind.): W, 3-2

Sept. 20: RV Davenport University (Mich.): 4 p.m.

Women's Golf

Sept. 27: vs. Indiana Wesleyan University: 1 p.m.

Oct. 4: vs. University of St. Francis: 12 p.m.

Men's Golf

Sept. 26: Olivet Nazarene University Fall Invite: 9 a.m.

Oct. 3: at Trinity Christian Invite (Calumet Country Club): 10 a.m.

Men's Cross Country

Sept. 27: at Brissman-Lundeen Invitational: 5:45 p.m.

Women's Cross Country

Sept. 27: at Brissman-Lundeen Invitational: 5 p.m.

Diving team added

Matthew Taber

Staff Writer

The Olivet swim team is working to form a strong diving team, which currently consists of two divers.

The team is currently searching for divers to strengthen the team's chances in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes (NAIA) competition, according to Swimming team Coach Scott Teeters.

Divers are an asset that can determine whether a team wins or loses a swim competition. There are two events in the NAIA specifically for divers.

Without divers on their swim team, ONU cannot compete in these events.. They have had to forfeit points at

competitions.

In the NAIA, three divers count as one person; a swim team is allowed 18 athletes total.

A team can have many different combinations of swimmers and divers as long as it adds up to 18 people. Because of this, a team may be winning because of the swimming portion, but when it comes to the diving, the team earns no points. This may cause them to lose their ranking in the competition.

Last year ONU did not have any divers during the NAIA competition. This year they are working on adding a diving team..

At this time they are having open trials for divers with past experience or gymnasts interested in diving.

SPORTS

FANTASY
FOOTBALL
Corner

Trent Moberly

Contributing Writer

Let's face it, chances are your team could use a little extra value from the waiver wire. There are many new names that rise during the Fantasy Football season as players get hurt, or starting rosters change. These players, often called "sleepers," are the players that I want to focus on.

Names like Arian Foster, DeAngelo Williams, Miles Austin, Alfred Morris, and Jimmy Graham are just a few of this kind of player. Below, I've highlighted 10 players that I feel have the potential to produce in the coming months

1. QB Terrelle Pryor:

I know the Raiders aren't the most inspiring team in the world and Pryor is a young guys who's not very accurate, but we've seen the value running quarterbacks can have and Pryor rushed for 112 yards while throwing for 217 in week one. That leads to a lot of fantasy points; he's worth taking a chance on. Available in 82.5% of ESPN leagues.

2. TE Julius Thomas:

Thomas has emerged as the top tight end on the Broncos roster between a strong pre-season and injuries to Joel Dreessen and Jacob Tamme. That means he should see a good number of targets on Peyton Manning's up-tempo offense. If he can hold on to the #1 job and develop into a consistent red-zone target, he could be a quality starting tight end. Available in 81.6% of ESPN leagues.

3. RB Bilal Powell:

Chris Ivory is a Jet now, but he's very injury prone and has never carried a full workload. He's already a little bit hurt, and Powell has the chance to get a lot of carries early in the season and show he can be the starter on a team that ran the ball the 6th most in the NFL last year. Available in 73.3% of ESPN leagues.

4. RB Jackie Battle:

Battle should see a good number of goal line carries in this Titans offense. The Titans gave week one's goal line looks to Battle and he took advantage scoring their only rushing TD. He may be worth a shot in deeper leagues as a TD vulture to Chris Johnson. Available in 97.9% of ESPN leagues.

5. WR Marlon Brown:

Who do the Ravens have behind Torrey Smith at WR? Jacoby Jones is now out with a sprained knee, opening the door for Brown who had a solid week one against the Broncos. He's 6'5" and could be a big target for Joe Flacco, especially if Smith doesn't step up. Available in 87.1% of ESPN leagues.

6. RB Ronnie Brown:

Brown will be the change of pace guy behind Ryan Mathews in this Charger's offense. He should see a fair amount of touches per game and we all know Mathews is prone to injury; Brown would be the one to see the added carries if he were to go down. Available in 99.2% of ESPN leagues.

7. WR Brandon LaFell:

Steve Smith is aging and LaFell showed flashes of being a productive fantasy player last year. With the Panthers wanting to stick to a more traditional NFL offense this year like they tried at the end of last season, Cam Newton should be throwing more and will look LaFell's way often. Available in 96.2% of ESPN leagues.

8. WR Darrius Heyward-Bey:

He's now in Indianapolis with a better-QB in Andrew Luck and he's listed as the number 2 receiver on the depth chart. He should see a lot of targets as Reggie Wayne gets double-teamed. Available in 78.6% of ESPN leagues.

9. RB Lance Dunbar:

The Cowboys are a pass-first offense and Tim McMahon said in an article on ESPN that they are planning to use Dunbar in a "Darren Sproles-type" role. This could lead to some big numbers for Lance, especially with lead back DeMarco Murray's potential to get injured. He's banged up right now, but not expected to be out long and is available in 96.6% of ESPN leagues.

10. D/ST Cleveland Browns:

Yes, the Browns. They hired a new defensive coordinator and switched to a 3-4 in the offseason, which looks to be a great fit for their personnel. They signed defensive end Paul Kruger in the off-season and have one of the better young secondary players in the league in Joe Haden. Plus they play in with little offensive firepower. Available in 92.3% of ESPN leagues.

New, young O-Line

Lydia Lambert

Staff Writer

Already two games into the regular season, changes the Chicago Bears made during the off-season appear to have had a positive impact so far this year.

Perhaps the biggest change for the Bears was the addition of Head Coach Marc Trestman from the Canadian Football League (CFL). Although Trestman was successful in the CFL, he also has a wealth of experience from his days in the National Football League (NFL). According to the Bears official website, he worked in the NFL for 17 years, where eight of those years he was an offensive coordinator and the rest were spent primarily coaching quarterbacks.

Trestman's past focus has been a strong offensive mindset with a fast-paced, aggressive offense. Most match-ups are designed to draw the defense in and then throw long.

Another positive change for the Bears is the significant improvement of the offensive line. In the past, the Bears offensive line has struggled mightily. Rookie offensive linemen Kyle Long and Jordan Mills add a new dimension to the team, and veteran Jermon Bushrod adds experience and skill to a completely revamped offensive line.

Mills, a fifth round pick, went to junior college before he came out as a key player in the fast-paced Oregon offense.

Quarterback Jay Cutler returns after an underwhelming 2012 season with a 58.8 completion percentage and just 3,033 passing yards and 19 touchdowns, according to the Chicago Bears website.

Second-year player Alshon Jeffery, who averaged 15.3 yards per reception last year, and his star receiver, Brandon Marshall, aid Cutler. Marshall led the NFL last season in number of receptions with 118.

Newcomer Martellus Bennett adds a strong presence on offense as well as the tight end position, which has been weak since Greg Olsen left in 2011. Bennett had 626 total receiving yards for the Dallas Cowboys last season.

Veteran running back, Matt Forte's ability to catch the ball in the backfield is a great fit for the Trestman offense with Cutler under center.

As Trestman and his new coaching staff begin to navigate the waters of coaching, General Manager Phil Emery feels the team is prepared for the 2013 season.

"I've seen tremendous buy-in. I see a team that has gelled throughout the OTAs and training camp. We all want the same thing: to win and to win championships, and we all expect

progress toward that goal," Emery told reporters on profootballnetworks.com.

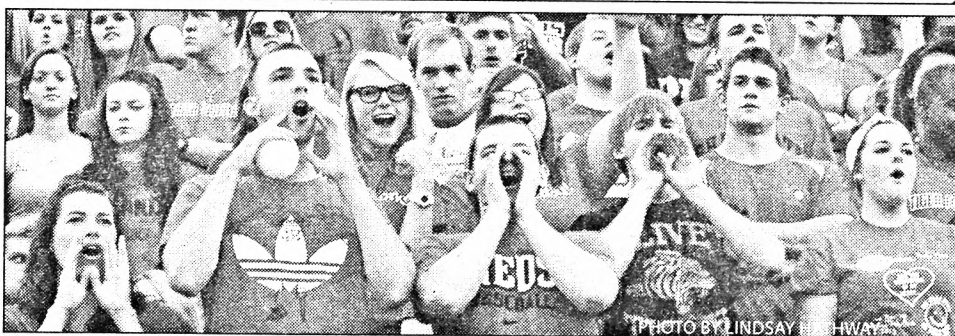
Prior to Trestman as head coach, Lovie Smith had been with the Bears since 2004. Smith left with a record of 81 wins, 63 losses. Despite achieving a 7-1 record at the season's halfway point last year, the team failed to reach the playoffs and Smith was fired on Dec. 31, 2012. The Bears haven't reached the playoffs since 2006.

Former Bears Linebacker Brian Urlacher spent his entire 13-year NFL career in Chicago. After a controversial contract ordeal, Urlacher left the franchise last year.

Urlacher requested a little over 11 million for a two-year deal but was offered 2 million per year. Urlacher is currently a sports analyst for Fox Sports.

In the opening game of the season, the Bears defeated the Cincinnati Bengals 24-21. With 8:32 left in the game, Trestman made a game deciding call to go for it on fourth-and-one. He called a run and Forte ran for eight yards. The next play, Cutler threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to Marshall.

The Bears won narrowly against the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday, 31-30. Jay Cutler was able to score to save the game throwing to his new weapon Martellus Bennett with seconds to go.



Students wear red in support of the Tigers on their opening night. This is a part of the "SpRED the Hope" campaign for children with HIV/AIDS.

ONU hosts RED-out for HIV

On opening night, Olivet football players and fans joined together in a sea of red to raise awareness for children with HIV/AIDS.

The football team's "SpRED the Hope" campaign went underway early on Thursday in chapel when football players wore red shirts. They were just getting started. On Sept. 7, opening night for the ONU team,

the crowd supported the team and the cause by wearing red. Their efforts resulted in a successful "red-out."

Last May, a group of players from ONU's football team went to San Lucas, Guatemala to serve at the Village of Hope orphanage. Before the game, Todd and Amy Block, the missionaries who run the orphanage, were honored along with their family. At

halftime, fans were able to meet the Blocks and learn more about their mission.

The team sold red T-shirts for \$10 on September 6 and during the game. Red woven bracelets from Guatemala were also sold. All proceeds went to support the mission of the Village of Hope orphanage in San Lucas.

-David Timm

SPORTS

Training his dream team

Destiny Mitchell
Staff Writer

Micah Gerhart, Olivet alum and athletic trainer, is paid to live his dream: bandaging bruised Bears and battered Eagles.

Gerhart, who majored in athletic training and exercise science at ONU, worked as an intern athletic trainer with the Chicago Bears in 2012 and currently works as an intern for the Philadelphia Eagles.

He began his journey with the Chicago Bears after some advising from his mentor, Dr. Corcoran who was affiliated with the team.

"[The summer before] my senior year he asked me if I'd be interested in an internship with the team and I was, so [I applied]," Gerhart began his internship May 21, 2012 and finished during the spring of 2012.

Though Gerhart may be a faithful Eagles fan, he didn't regret his time spent interning for the Chicago Bears



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Olivet alum and athletic trainer Micah Gerhart worked as an intern with the Chicago Bears and now with the Philadelphia Eagles.

at ONU. "I was born and bred a Philadelphia Eagles fan, but after getting to work so intimately with them I'd be lying if I said I didn't like them," he said. "I root for them on Sundays as long as they're not playing the Eagles."

Gerhart looks fondly upon the

memories of working with the Bears. "Being that [the team is] affiliated with Olivet, I thought the Christian side of things was cool to see in a sports team; knowing that I could talk to the players about more than just football but about spirituality as well."

Even though he's happy to be back home, Gerhart still keeps in touch with the family he's established with ONU and with the Bears.

"I still talk to the public representatives for the Bears and some of the trainers. I talk to BJ Gessea, who is the head athletic trainer at Olivet a couple times a week."

After arriving back home upon graduation in the spring of 2013, Gerhart began applying for internships in the National Football League (NFL). He applied to all 32 teams. Of the 32, he received 22 responses and set up 4 interviews, one with the Eagles.

Gerhart was pleased, to say the least. "I've been a fan since I was 3 or 5 years old, so it was really a no-brainer...doing what I love, for a team I love. It doesn't get any better than that."

Although his part-time internship with his favorite sports team is coming to a close, his goal is to start working full-time with the Eagles soon.

From the mouths of Bears:

Olivet students share their experiences as golf-cart chauffeurs

Lydia Lambert
Staff Writer

Olivet students who worked with Chicago Bears players over the summer at training camp agree--professional athletes are just normal people. They enjoy video games and nice cars, they laugh, they joke and they're scared of spiders.

"One night someone put a tarantula in Kyle Long's bed. It came in a box and had gotten out. He's deathly afraid of them so he was freaking out," Zack Ruddle recalled. "They had to call Public Safety to get it cleaned out."

Ruddle is a senior at Olivet who drove one of the four golf carts used to transport players around campus during the Bears Training Camp. The Bears make Olivet their summer home every year.

During the camp, the players were not only interested in learning plays and breaking tackles, they were genuinely interested in the drivers' lives and about life in general at ONU.

"Everyone knew your name, they engaged in conversation and were always asking about our lives," Ruddle said.

Fellow driver Michael Hedrick also experienced

a spiritual solidarity with Bears Tight End Kyle Adams.

Adams asked Hedrick how Olivet had helped him on his spiritual journey.

"On the last day, he sought me out and wished me good luck in physical therapy school next year," Hedrick said. "He had remembered that I was studying physical therapy and it was really nice."

"They're basically like high school guys just wanting to have fun. The rookies are a lot of fun because they're not used to the treatment."

As for what the players did after practice hours, Hedrick and Ruddle both agreed the Bears were pretty normal people.

"I think it's ridiculous to put them on a pedestal. They're just big kids," Ruddle said. "After practice they would just go play video games in their rooms."

"They're basically like high school guys just wanting to have fun. The rookies are a lot of fun because they're not used to the treatment," Hedrick

said. "They'd ask, 'are you going to drive us back?' and the linemen were always leaning on the carts trying to tip us out."

Receiver Brandon Marshall was a favorite among the student drivers. Ruddle remembered one instance in which he even acted like a friend.

"One of the days it was my birthday and I was facetimeing my family. Brandon Marshall came over to me and said hi to my family, and talked to them for a little while, it was great."

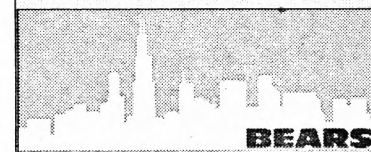
Hedrick also recalled when Marshall said, "Hey, I'm going to drive," and reached over Hedrick from the passenger side to drive the cart.

"He was also really friendly. In front of Ludwig there were always reporters and he would sometimes find one and put his [arm] around them and ask what they had for him," Hedrick said.

"As for Kyle Long, he was so fun. He was very talkative and he made an effort to know all the drivers' names by the second or third day."



BEARS '13



After winning their first two games this year, the Chicago Bears look forward to the remaining fourteen games of the regular season hoping to land in the playoffs for the first time since 2010. With new coach Marc Trestman, a revamped offensive line and several new targets on offense, Jay Cutler appears to have the firepower to lead his team to the playoffs and perhaps beyond.

Schedule 2013:

- Sept. 8:** vs. Cincinnati Bengals W, 24-21
- Sept. 15:** vs. Minnesota Vikings W, 31-30
- Sept. 22:** at Pittsburgh Steelers 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 29:** at Detroit Lions 12:00 p.m.
- Oct. 6:** vs. New Orleans Saints 12:00 p.m.
- Oct. 10:** vs. New York Giants 7:25 p.m.
- Oct. 20:** Washington Redskins 12:00 p.m.
- Nov. 4:** at Greenbay Packers 7:40 p.m.
- Nov. 10:** vs. Detroit Lions 12:00 p.m.
- Nov. 17:** vs. Baltimore Ravens 12:00 p.m.
- Nov. 24:** at St. Louis Rams 12:00 p.m.
- Dec. 1:** at Minnesota Vikings 12:00 p.m.
- Dec. 9:** vs. Dallas Cowboys 7:40 p.m.
- Dec. 15:** at Cleveland Browns 12:00 p.m.
- Dec. 22:** at Philadelphia Eagles 12:00 p.m.
- Dec. 29:** vs. Greenbay Packers 12:00 p.m.

NFC North Standings:

- Chicago Bears (2-0)
- Greenbay Packers (1-1)
- Detroit Lions (1-1)
- Minnesota Vikings (0-2)

SPORTS

Winning sounds the same to all

Melissa Luby
Staff Writer

Swimmer Samantha Elam represented Olivet and the United States on the global stage this summer, capturing a bronze medal in the 400-meter freestyle at the 2013 Deaflympics in Sofia, Bulgaria.

"It's a great experience," Elam said. "It's a bit overwhelming at first with so many swimmers from so many countries, but you get used to it."

Elam didn't realize she had won until a few moments after the end of the race. "Only the first four lanes were on the scoreboard," she said. "I didn't realize I had won until I saw everyone jumping up and down. I was just tired and wanted to get out of the pool."

Elam, who has been swimming most of her life, got started in Deaflympics after her mother discovered the program online. Despite representing other deaf athletes, Elam rarely thinks of herself as a role model. "I just do my thing," she said, but also admitted her status as one of the oldest members of the team makes her a role model to the younger swimmers



The swim team, now only two years old, practices in the Rec Center with hopes of qualifying for Nationals again.

on the team.

This year's bronze medal is not the first Elam has won, but it is her first individual medal. In 2009, she earned a bronze medal in the 800 freestyle relay at the Deaflympics in Chinese Taipei. Elam also earned a gold medal at the 2011 Deaf World Championships in Coimbra, Portugal, again in the 800 freestyle relay.

As a result of her success, Elam has often found herself in the spotlight. She will be featured in a documentary about deaf swimmers called "Swimmer's Ear". Elam has mixed emotions

about the documentary. While she is excited to see the final product and hopes to inspire younger deaf swimmers, the process could be tedious. "I didn't like having the camera in my face all the time," she said.

Elam arrived at ONU after competing and studying for two years at Pierce College in her home state of California. She said the swim team was the major factor in her decision to attend ONU.

Elam had to adjust to differences in climate and culture. In California, her teams practiced outdoors.

The much cooler climate of Illinois meant practicing indoors almost exclusively. Before the Student Life and Recreation Center opened, Elam and her teammates trekked down to Bourbonnais-Bradley High School each night at 9 pm for practice.

Elam also said her relationships with teammates are different at ONU. Living on campus has helped her bond with her teammates and establish a better sense of community. "I feel like I know people on campus better," she said.

Elam sometimes faces challenges

when competing with swimmers who can hear. She often has to swim in the first lane or have a visual cue because she can't hear the starting tone. She also says conversations can be difficult to follow if her teammates are faced away from her and she can't read their lips.

Sydney Harris, another member of the women's swim team, said having Elam on the team motivates everyone. "She's a hard worker, and she's also funny and has a great sense of humor," Harris said.

Harris and Elam both agree ONU's swim team has grown in its second season. "There are a lot more swimmers this year, a lot of freshmen and a lot more [with] experience," Elam said. Harris added that the team now has more distance and butterfly swimmers. Harris also said the addition of the new two-member diving team will also help ONU. "Last year we lost points at meets because we didn't have any divers," she said.

According to Harris, the swim team's focus remains the same in its second season. "We're still focused on swimming for God, working hard, and doing our best."

Men's soccer aims to improve teamwork

David Timm
Sports Editor

Despite two wins so far, the start of the men's soccer season has been disappointing overall for the team.

After winning the first game of the year, the team proceeded to tie one game and lose two in a row before winning their second game of the season at University of Michigan-Dearborn, 1-0. However, the team's high expectations for the year have left them disappointed, but motivated.

Senior Robby Gunderson, an outside midfielder and leader on the team, is confident once the team corrects a few mistakes they will be back on top.

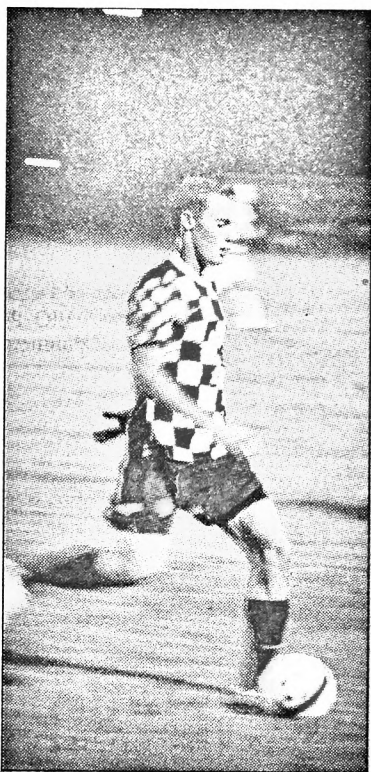
"The team is staying positive because we know the type of team we are and can be," Gunderson said.

The primary issue at this point in the season, according to Gunderson, is finishing around the box. Once they begin to finish on good opportunities around the box Gunderson thinks the team will be "extremely dangerous."

Senior Yinka Ifaturoti is in agreement, "We've been playing beautiful soccer, but our main struggle is finishing."

The next game, a home match against Grand View University on Sept. 21 will test the men as they look to score early and often in front of their fans. "Our team's transitioning and defense is some of the best in the nation," Gunderson said.

For the players, there is no doubt the team has the potential to make it to nationals and beyond, Ifaturoti said.



Senior Robby Gunderson leads the team with the ball up the field.

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