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## UD SUSPENDS PHI KAPPA PSI FRAT

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Editor-in-Chief

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity was suspended from campus for a year following a fall hazing incident, and a final decision is pending an upcoming appeals process.

The incident occurred on Oct. 21, 2011, at the fraternity house at 114 Lawnview Ave., according to an statement emailed to Flyer News by Bill Fischer, vice president of the Division of Student Development.

"The fraternity forced a newly selected underage member to consume excessive alcohol in violation of the University's Student Code of Conduct," Fischer's statement said.

The student was taken by Rescue Squad to a hospital, and was later treated and released.

With the suspension, the university withdrew recognition of Phi Kappa Psi, including its fraternity house, until Jan. 1, 2013, according to Fisher's statement. In order to regain recognition, the group must meet established conditions. The group also is prohibited from "holding any organizational meetings, events or gatherings," according to Fischer's statement.

A statement sent by the Phi Kappa Psi national headquarters also confirmed the suspension.

"Phi Kappa Psi is an unrecognized

organization until the suspension ends on January 1, 2013 when the group will become recognized by the university," the statement said. "The group will lose their special interest housing and the members living there are making arrangements to move to other student housing."

Fischer's statement said the fraternity can appeal the suspension. The deadline for a written appeals request form by the group is Thursday, Feb. 2, according to Kevin Cane, director of Greek Life and Leadership Programs.

Cane said the group received the ruling from the Office of Community Standards and Civility on Monday, Jan. 30. He declined additional comment until after the appeals process.

The Office of Community Standards and Civility declined comment until the case is closed.

Nathan Tout, junior finance major and Phi Kappa Psi president, confirmed the group is going through the university's hearing board process but declined to comment further.

The national headquarters' statement said the University of Dayton chapter will direct future questions to the fraternity's national executive director.

Flyer News will update this story online at flyernews.com with any new information.

## Grad student active at UD, in community



Colin Gerker, a community counseling graduate student, poses for a photograph his office in the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community's service learning program in St. Joseph's Hall, Tuesday, Jan.31. MARCI DUCKRO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

## Federal K-12 education grant to change Ohio teaching standards

KAITI YN RIDFI

Asst. News Editor

The U.S. Department of Education has awarded the state of Ohio funds dependent on improved teacher standards.

On Dec. 16, 2011, the Barack Obama administration announced nine states, including Ohio, would be recipients of the \$500 million Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge fund.

The other eight grant recipients were California, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Rhode Island and Washington, according to the White House website.

Each state applying for the grant had to submit a proposal of how it would use the grant, said Elaine Quesinberry, a spokesperson for the U.S. Department of Education.

The grants are sponsored jointly by the DOE and the Department of Health and Human Services, according to a press release by the White House.

"[The grant] bumps up the standards teachers have to abide by," said Ben Moore, a senior education major, "Teachers will have to prove that they are capable."

The White House press release said the grant is designed to improve the educational foundation for young students from low-income families.

"The Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge will support the work of the nine state grantees to develop new approaches to raising the bar across early learning centers and to close the school readiness gap," according to whitehouse.gov.

Tom Lasley, a professor in the School of Education and Allied Professions, said this readiness gap has been a problem in many states across the nation.

"Historically, it has been a problem for Ohio," he said. "We have too

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## weather

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Flyer News wishes you a spectacular
Super Bowl Sunday, but recommends
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## THE TICKER

#### LOCAL

#### CITY OF DAYTON CRIME RATES FALL

The Dayton Police Department recently released 2011 statistics that said the city's crime is down by 10 percent since 2010. Armed and unarmed robbery, simple assault, aggravated assault, vandalism, theft from motor vehicles, residential burglaries, motor vehicle theft and downtown crime all dropped by between four and 28 percent.

Information from The Dayton Business Journal

#### LARGEST ENTERTAIN-MENT CENTER IN U.S. TO OPEN LOCALLY

A Dayton resident and group of investors are opening Scene75 Entertainment Center north of Dayton at 6196 Poe Ave. The facility will include a restaurant, laser tag area and an indoor go-kart track.

Information from Cincinnati Enquirer



Prospective fraternity brothers sign up for recruitment in the Kennedy Union ballroom, Tuesday, Jan. 31. EMILY WILHELM/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

#### **C**AMPUS

#### **'ELEEMOSYNARY'**

The UD theater program performance will take place at 8 p.m. Friday Feb. 3, and Saturday Feb. 4, and at 7 p.m. Sunday Feb. 5. The play costs \$7 for students, faculty and staff, and \$12 for community members. For more information, contact the theater program at 937-229-3950.

#### UD NAMES NEW VP FOR UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

The University of Dayton has chosen Dave Harper, associate vice president for athletics, to succeed Deborah Reed, who left UD for a similar position at California Polytechnic University on Jan. 1.

## MONCHON FUND RAISER

Monchon, the sandwich trailer which vends on Friday and Saturday evenings on Woodland Avenue, is offering \$5 sandwiches to raise money for Students in a New Direction, a service leadership campus organization. For more information, visit http://on.fb.me/w8pnvo.

#### NATION

#### **DON CORNELIUS DIES**

"Soul Train" host Don Cornelius died from a selfinflicted gun shot wound Wednesday, Feb. 1. Cornelius is credited with helping break down racial and social barriers and expand black culture with his show's fun music and dancing. He was 75.

#### COLBERT'S PAC RAISES A MILLION

Comedian Stephen Colbert's super PAC has reportedly raised over \$1 million. Colbert raised the money by asking viewers of his show to support the PAC. Colbert has not yet announced what he plans to do with the money.

Information from
The Washington Post

#### LETTERMAN CELEBRATES 30TH ANNIVERSARY

David Letterman celebrated his 30th anniversary of hosting CBS's "The Tonight Show" on Wednesday, Feb. 1. Letterman took over for Johnny Carson in 1991.

Information from Huffington Post.

## College Republicans prepare for D.C. conference, elections

**CHRIS RIZER** 

News Editor

University of Dayton College Republicans representatives say they are busy preparing for the 2012 presidential elections.

But Jamie Leaver, a junior political science and human rights major and president of College Republicans, said the group cannot agree on which Republican candidate to support for the primary elections.

"Our group as a whole is completely divided on the candidates," she said.
"We can't come to a complete consensus on the candidates."

She said College Republicans' main goal is to motivate voter registration.

Christina Green, a junior pre-physical therapy major and secretary of College Republicans, said the group will endorse and campaign for whichever Republican nominee wins the pri-

mary elections

Green said in a club vote most members selected former Georgia Rep. Newt Gingrich or former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney. A couple of them supported former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum and nobody voted for Texas Rep. Ron Paul, according to Green.

Iowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina, and Florida already have held their primary elections. Santorum won in Iowa, Romney won in New Hampshire and Florida, and Gingrich won in South Carolina. Ohio's Republican primary will be on March 6.

Overall, the UD College Republicans said they hope one of the candidates can defeat President Barack Obama in the elections on Nov. 6.

"I think, as of right now, for the College Republicans, our motto is anyone but Obama," Green said.

Green said the only issue on which she agrees with Obama is his pro-gay

marriage stance.

"Personally, I'm  $\,$  kind of on the fence with a lot of the candidates," she said.

But she said she supports Gingrich because he is the most conservative and consistent candidate in her eyes. She said she likes Gingrich because he favors smaller government and helped balance the U.S. budget in the 1990s as Speaker of the House.

"Socially he's not my favorite, especially personally he has a lot of baggage," she said.

Green said she does not like Romney because he isn't conservative or consistent enough; he was against guns and later joined the National Rifle Association, and also switched his stance to become anti-abortion. She said she also does not like the liberal health care plan Romney created in Massachusetts as governor.

She said her ideal candidate would be in favor of making the federal gov-

ernment smaller to jump-start the economy. The candidate would be anti-abortion and allow each state to decide its own policy on illegal immigration, she said.

While College Republicans is not currently endorsing a candidate, Leaver said the group is coordinating a trip to Washington, D.C., from Feb. 9-11 to attend the Conservative Political Action Conference.

CPAC is an annual gathering for U.S. conservative leaders, students and activists to meet and share their ideals, according to its website.

All Republican presidential candidates, along with a couple thousand attendees will be there, Leaver said.

She said about 15 to 20 UD students are attending CPAC, and not all of them are from College Republicans.

The cost of CPAC admission for students is \$35, and a "benefactor" will reimburse the majority of trip expenses for all UD students depending on how many people attend, Leaver said.

The event will allow students to learn more about conservative stances on different issues, she said.

She said she attended the conference for the first time last year, where she had the chance to network with students from other College Republicans chapters, and meet politicians, authors, and representatives from the National Rifle Association.

Leaver said she is excited that former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin is delivering this year's closing speech.

She said after CPAC, College Republicans will set up tables outside Kennedy Union to register students to vote.

For more information on registering for the primary elections, contact the secretary of state, board of elections, or elections system website for your district. For more information on attending CPAC, contact Jamie Leaver at leaverj1@udayton.edu.

# **UD graduate continues to lead on campus, in Dayton**

JUSTIN GUINN

Copy Editor

Colin Gerker loved his undergraduate experience in Dayton so much he figured out a way to stay and make a difference.

Gerker is a University of Dayton graduate student in community counseling and a graduate assistant for the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community's service learning program, where he works with the Dayton Neighborhood School Center. He also is an academic coach and supplemen-

"I guess that I've always really

enjoyed programs that work

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with helping people or that work

UD [as an undergraduate], I knew that I loved UD and I was ambivalent about whether I wanted to stay or leave and I think that a lot of people experience that, like 'OK what do I want to do,' and we're in the midst of a jobs crisis," Gerker said. "So, I decided that I wanted to be a student again, wanted to continue learning because what I learned at UD was awesome, but I think there was more for me to learn."

He said after graduation, the university offered him a graduate assistantship in enrollment management for a year. He said he worked on video

for the Fitz Center.

"What that means is that I work with a team of individuals who coordinate service-learning options for students and classes and organizations and individually," he said. "We team up with professors and student groups to go into five Dayton public schools that the university is partnered up with"

He said the five schools make up what's called the Dayton Neighborhood School Center. UD, non-profit organizations and corporate partners all work together with these schools. They have a focus on neighborhood and community development, kindergarten readiness and literacy at the third-grade reading level, Gerker said.

"I am only one part of a team of three awesome people," he said.

According to Gerker, the other two people on the team are Johanne Troha and Kristen Whalen. Troha is the director of student learning for the Fitz Center. Whalen, a senior accounting and Spanish double major, is a student intern with the Fitz Center.

"We work pretty much together on most of our projects, so there's just constant interaction," Whalen said. "He tries to create any opportunity he can to bring people together, whether that's in the office or with the [UD] students bringing them to the schools."

Whalen said what stands out most about Gerker is how interested he was in learning about her and developing a friendship when she met him for the first time.

"The first time I met him, I felt like I'd known him for a long time,"



Colin Gerker, a graduate student in community counseling, poses for a photograph outside of St. Joseph's Hall, Tuesday, Jan. 31. MARCI DUCKRO/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

COLIN GERKER GRADUATE STUDENT

tal instructor for UD's Student Learning Center, recruitment advisor for UD's Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and a waiter at the Oregon District's Dublin Pub.

Gerker graduated from UD in May 2010 with a history and electronic media double major.

"When I was coming to the end of

marketing for prospective students. When that was finished, he found his next iob at the Fitz Center.

"I guess that I've always really enjoyed programs that work with helping people or that work toward a goal to reach out to people in a certain way," he said.

Gerker works in service learning

Whalen said

She said Gerker always puts others before himself.

"I mean, he has a million things going on with graduate school and his jobs on campus as well as I know he has a couple of jobs off campus," she said.

Even with the multitude of commitments, she said Gerker is always on point at the Fitz Center.

"When he is there, he's present and working his hardest and at his greatest potential for success." she said.

Whalen said Gerker has taught her how to take a step back and look at the bigger picture and realize that it's all going to work out in the end. She said he's always there to calm Troha and her down when things get crazy.

"He's a really good support system for the entire Fitz Center," Whalen

Gerker's roommate Nick Rivet

shares these same feelings about him.

"[Gerker] met my brother Ben, [a] 2010 alumnus, while at UD," Rivet said. "I started living with my brother and Colin in the beginning of September."

Rivet, operating partner for FU-SIAN, a new sushi restaurant on Brown Street, said Gerker is caring and intelligent.

"He's a great guy," Rivet said. "He's one of the best roommates I've ever had."

Rivet said the three roommates are a good fit together. He said Gerker is always there to bounce ideas off of and talk to about problems.

He touched on the theme of Gerker's time at UD when describing his commitments and dedication to the community.

"He likes to get himself into whatever he can," Rivet said. "And he cares about Dayton. He wants to see it thrive."

# Crime Log

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety from Sept. 1, through Sept. 3. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.

## Criminal Mischief Jan. 21, 5:12 p.m.

Officer Tittle was dispatched to Kiefaber Street on a report of criminal mischief. A UD student claimed her house had been "egged" by an unknown suspect. There were remnants of eggs on the property but there was not any permanent damage to the residence. There are no known suspects or witnesses.

#### Burglary Jan. 15, 2:30 a.m.

Officer Orrill and Officer
Bettelon responded to a
burglary report on Kiefaber
Street. Upon arrival, a student
claimed his Tangent laptop
had been stolen from his room
and his roommate's television
had been stolen from the living
room. The laptop is a black
15-inch Tangent with a white
Under Armor sticker, valued
at approximately \$1,500. The
TV is a 47-inch VIZIO LCD flat
screen valued at \$1,200. There
are no known suspects.

## Criminal Damaging Jan. 22, 6:58 p.m.

Officer Tittle responded to a report of criminal damaging on a landlord-owned property on Evanston Avenue. The victim claimed an unknown suspect broke the rear driver's side window on her 2000 Nissan Pathfinder. The victim said nothing was missing from the vehicle. There was a large hole in the window of the car, and the rest of the glass was fragmented. There are no known suspects or witnesses.

## **FLYER NEWS CORRECTION:**

In Issue 24, the "Click!" photograph was incorrectly attributed. The photo was taken by Caitlin Murray, Staff Photographer. Flyer News sincerely apologizes for this error.

## Dayton to Daytona on track for record attendance

SARA DORN

Chief News Writer

Dayton to Daytona sign-ups have increased by 100 percent compared to this time last year, according to the trip's organizing committee.

About 500 students have signed up for this year's trip, according to John Eiting, a senior mechanical engineering major and sponsorship and marketing coordinator for the Dayton to Daytona Committee. As of the last week of January 2011, there only were approximately 250 sign-ups, he said.

The 35th annual trip to Daytona Beach, Fla., open only to University of Dayton sophomores, juniors and seniors, is scheduled for May 8-13.

"The reason students are signing up earlier is because Daytona [committee] has really done a good job marketing the trip and connecting with students via Facebook and Twitter." Eiting said.

John Malone, a senior mechanical engineering major and social media coordinator for the committee, said he tries to add incentives to his tweets and Facebook content in order to draw more followers.

"People can't just have information, they have to be able to click on something they want," Malone said.

He said one of those projects is "free stuff Friday," or "#FREEstuff-FRIDAY" on Twitter and Facebook. Malone said the first 10 to 15 people to show up to a random campus location he tweets about receive a prize, like Dayton T-shirts or beer holders. The committee gave away a free trip at one of the free stuff Friday events several weeks ago, he said.

He said the committee has seen a spark in its presence on social media

this year

"We just recently crossed the 2,000 followers mark on Twitter, so that's exciting." Malone said.

Dayton to Daytona's Twitter account, @Dayton2Daytona, had 2,048 followers as of Wednesday, Feb. 1.

Eiting said the committee is trying to market the trip to a more diverse group of students.

"It's a really fun week and it's something for everyone – all different majors, social groups, fraternities and sororities however you want to label it – we're trying to make Daytona a more widely popular trip," Eiting said.

Eiting said social media, the information tables the committee frequently sets up in Kennedy Union, and the new passport program have helped achieve this goal.

The committee set up its passport

program this year to give students a chance to receive a discounted trip for attending activities on campus, according to a Dec. 1, 2011, Flyer News article. The first 60 students to submit a booklet confirming their attendance at eight events within four different campus categories will have their Daytona trip discounted from \$218 to \$150.

Although only 60 students can benefit from the program, Eiting said it has helped increase awareness about the trip.

Coming up soon for the committee is the Dayton to Daytona hotel lottery on Feb. 11. The sign-up deadline is Feb. 10. Eiting said he expects about 2,000 students will attend the trip.

The committee will hold "Daytona week" immediately prior to sign-ups, Eiting said. The committee will blast music in the Central Mall, hold competitions at the RecPlex, host a karaoke competition at Milano's, give away free T-shirts and more Daytona prizes.

Eiting said one change to this year's Dayton to Daytona trip is that the committee acquired a beach permit. The committee will hold volleyball tournaments and other activities on the beach where a Bud Light tent will serve free beer.

And according to the committee's Twitter page, this year's band lineup will be announced in the coming weeks

Eiting said the bands that will play at Daytona depend on how many students sign up and how much money the committee can generate from that. Last year, the trip showcased pop group LMFAO as its main musical act.

For more information on Dayton to Daytona, visit www.daytontodaytona.

# Student government works to revise constitution

**MARY ASHCRAFT** 

Staff Writer

The University of Dayton Student Government Association Issues and Bylaws Committee is working to pass a new constitution with a revised structure to help facilitate more effective student leadership.

The Issues and Bylaws Committee oversees maintaining and updating the constitution, and the group is in the process of reformatting it, said Luq Nichols, sophomore class senator and an economics and applied mathematics major and member of the Constitutional Edits Committee. The current SGA constitution is chaotic, contradictory, and doesn't embody the necessities of the UD undergraduate student population, he said.

"It's a confusion of powers and duties," Nichols said. "It's slowly coming together but my goal is to have it passed through senate by the end of March."

Christine Farmer, a senior psychology major and SGA president, said she is looking forward to passing the new constitution, which is one of her primary goals during her term. Farmer said she is most concerned about serving the external purposes of SGA rather than the internal. She said passing the new constitution will enable her to effectively keep focusing on the students. Farmer said she is a member of the Constitutional Edits Committee by

default because she is the SGA president.

"I want to get the constitution passed to focus on the important issues that truly matter to students," Farmer said.

Farmer said the revisions have been underway since Grant Dosch, last year's sophomore senator and speaker of the senate, started them in September.

Both Farmer and Nichols said the new constitution this year will address SGA's current disorganized structure. However, each provided different explanations to the current structure of the organization's positions.

"Student government at the University of Dayton is the senate," Nichols said. "It's a group of individuals voted by their constituencies devoted to making UD a better place. What we are aiming to do with the new constitution is to emphasize this point by abandoning the hierarchical tendencies of the current system and adapting a more fluid, efficient model of SGA."

Farmer said the current SGA is focused on the senate with the majority of the power resting in their hands.

The American Student Government Association recently made some suggestions to the UD SGA on how to effectively reformat its constitution by eliminating ambiguous and unnecessary statements, Nichols said.

Butch Oxendine, executive di-



Christine Farmer, senior psychology major and president of Student Government Association, paints the windows of the SGA office in Kennedy Union room 253, Tuesday, Jan. 31. KEVIN LONGACRE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

rector of ASGA, met with SGA executive members and senators on Saturday, Jan. 28 to discuss goals, projects and how to bring a better SGA to the UD, said Nichols.

Oxendine helped the UD SGA officers realize their potential as better liaisons and advocate between students and administration. Nichols said.

Farmer said the current constitution requires a majority of the undergraduate student voters to approve of the constitutional changes in order for them to take effect.

She said she is looking forward to spreading the word to students about the changes in the constitu-

"I want everyone to be an informed voter," she said.

If the proposal for a new constitution is passed through the SGA Senate, it then will be voted on by undergraduate students during the organization's spring elections in March, Nichols said.

Farmer said she is looking forward to helping SGA more effec-

tively help students.

"You only have so much time at the University of Dayton," Farmer said. "We need to more efficiently serve [the student body]."

The SGA Issues and Bylaws Committee meets every Saturday at 1 p.m. in KU 253. Meeting are open to the public.

For more information about SGA's constitutional changes, visit the SGA offices in Kennedy Union room 253.

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Seniors Joe Schambach, Tom Hanson and Travis Schubert ice-skate at RiverScape MetroPark in downtown Dayton, Friday, Jan. 27, with the River Stewards. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY A.J. FERGUSON

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few students that are kindergarten-ready."

Lasley said this is a big problem in Dayton as well.

"In fact, in Montgomery County, only one in every three students are kindergarten-ready," he said.

Lasley said there are connections between kindergarten preparedness

and long-term student success.

"Because they [children] aren't fully ready when they come to school, they never catch up," he said. "This affects reading proficiency and ultimately, high school graduation and college enrollment."

Lasley also said this could possibly affect education majors in the future

Students entering the job market will have to keep up with the new

academic standards to make sure students learn, he said.

Moore said the grant is a way of evaluating teachers' performances and believes the grant's goal of improving education at a younger age is important.

"Early years form the groundwork for what kind of students they are going to be," he said. "I think education is in a place where it needs improvement."

Though Moore supports the initiative, he said the grant will make a competitive job market even tougher.

"[The grant] is trying to raise standards to make education better, but it is also making more hoops for teachers to jump through," he said.

Moore said he thinks the grant is a good idea, but he believes educators, rather than a government body, should be evaluating one another's performance.

"The sad thing is there are never teachers deciding how teachers are being evaluated," he said.

Moore said he is conflicted about his future career choice due to the state of the American education system.

"I love it so much, but it is in a really rough place right now," he said.

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## **DAI exhibit honors Saturday Evening Post illustrator**

**ED BROWN** 

Staff Writer

Time is running out to catch a glimpse of iconic Americana at the Dayton Art Institute.

"American Chronicles: The Art of Norman Rockwell" is on display now through Sunday, Feb. 5.

The exhibit takes a look at Rockwell's works and highlights his career achievements as one of the country's most famous artisan storytellers.

It takes museum patrons on a tour through Rockwell's life and work, beginning with his early work containing depictions of childhood innocence. It then displays his popular Saturday Evening Post covers, followed by his later work that portrays common people from towns across the United States.

"The crowd favorites generally depend on the generation of the viewer," said Eric Brockman, Dayton Art Institute's marketing and communication manager. "He [Rockwell] spanned so many generations that the one the visitor grew up with is usually the set they came to see. All his work is so well-detailed and impressive, that usually people who come for one are impressed by others."

Rockwell achieved his lifelong dream of illustrating the cover of the Saturday Evening Post by the age of 22, according to the Dayton Art Institute website. He painted 323 Saturday Evening Post covers between 1916 and 1963. Along with these illustrations, he also painted advertising, calendars and everything in between.

Since opening in November 2011, the exhibit has received over 20,000 visitors, and it's not quite winding down yet, Brockman said.

"We expect to reach somewhere around 36,000 total by the time the exhibit closes on Feb. 5." he said.

Senior Sean Oneil, a communication major, said he is interested in visiting the exhibit.

"My grandmother has always raved about his work, and urged me to go see the collection when I told her it was coming to Dayton," Oneil said.

Brockman said the exhibit provides a once in a lifetime opportunity to view so many of Rockwell's works, as well as some of his iconic pieces, in one place.

Popular works "Mine America's Coal" and "Checkers" are two of many featured in the exhibit.

"Even if you don't know any of his work you will be sure to see at least one work in the exhibit which makes you go, 'Oh yeah, that one!" Brockman said.

The exhibit is open for extended hours through the weekend from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, through Sunday, Feb. 5. Student tickets are \$13 with a university ID.



"Checkers," pictured above and one of Norman Rockwell's most famous works, is one of many of his pieces on display through Sunday, Feb. 5, at the Dayton Art Institute. "American Chronicles: The Art of Norman Rockwell" displays the artist's famous contributions to the Saturday Evening Post and more. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY ERIC BROCKMAN

## 'Jersey Boys' performances conclude Sunday at Schuster Center

KATIE CHRISTOFF

Staff Writer

A smash-hit musical is showing in Dayton as a part of the Victoria Theatre Association's Broadway Series.

"Jersey Boys" is running now through Sunday, Feb. 5, at the Schuster Performing Arts Center.

The production, which has been called "too good to be true" by the New York Post, tells the story of Rock and Roll Hall of Fame band The Four Seasons and its rise to

stardom

Frankie Valli, Bob Gaudio, Tommy DeVito and Nick Massi made history with hits such as "Sherry," "Oh What a Night" and "Big Girls Don't Cry." This production includes a selection of their most famous music, while telling their rags-to-riches success story.

The four men came from a bluecollar background and quickly rose to stardom by writing their own songs and creating new sounds. They sold 175 million records worldwide before the age of 30, according to the Victoria Theatre Association website.

The musical debuted on Broadway in 2005 at the August Wilson Theatre, where it still runs today. It received immediate acclaim, winning both the Tony Award for Best Musical and the Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album in 2006 among others.

Diane Schoeffler-Warren, public relations manager of the Victoria Theatre Association, called the show energizing, edgy and timeless.

"This is a show not to be missed," she said.

Schoeffler-Warren said the music is wonderful and will be easily recognized by all audiences, since the songs have been so heavily played and also covered by many other artists since the Four Seasons' popularity. She said the Four Seasons was an amazing group of musicians with music that spanned generations.

University of Dayton senior Kathryn Sturm, a visual communication design major, said her favorite part of the show was the music because it was more popular in her parents' generation.

"It reminded me of childhood,"

Sturm said the "feel-good show" provides the perfect opportunity for a date night or a fun night out with friends.

Schoeffler-Warren said she highly recommends that UD students make an effort to see "Jersey Boys" while the opportunity still is available. She said that the music will make the show very appealing to students.

"Students will easily recognize the music once they hear it," Schoeffler-Warren said. "The young actors will appeal to a student crowd."

Freshman Sylvia Klosterman, a communication major, said her favorite part of the show was learning about the story behind the songs she hears on her Pandora station so frequently.

"Anyone would like it," Klosterman said.

As a further incentive to see the show, Shoefler-Warren said discounted tickets will be available for both performances Sunday, Feb. 5. Patrons can mention the word "football" when they buy tickets at the Schuster Center box office to receive a 40 percent discount

Show times for the production include 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4; and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5. For more information, visit www.victoriatheatre.com.

The Victoria Theatre Association recommends the show for attendees 12 or older, and warns "the show contains smoke, gun shots, strobe lights, drug references, sexual situations and authentic 'profane Jersey language."





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It's Friday, and we want to share our love affair with flavorful food with all of you. As food fanatics, we not only hold a passion for quality food, but we also strive to discover the mystery behind the menu. What makes a dish unique? What methods of flavor are chefs strategically using to differentiate their specialties? In order to piece together our palate puzzle, we are going behind the scenes of some familiar, and some not so familiar, dining spots in the Dayton area.

This week, we decided to search for a place that neither of us had been to that specializes in a cuisine we both love: Thai.

Siam Pad Thai is a short fiveminute drive away from campus on Wilmington Pike, headed toward the Greene Town Center. This familyowned, 3-year-old Thai restaurant has fewer than 10 tables in an intimate setting. While it was only the two of us dining out this week, we would recommend no more than a group of four people for a meal in orseated immediately and the staff could not have been more welcoming and helpful throughout the night.

The owner of Siam Pad Thai, Fon Christman, said she finds joy in seeing her customers appreciate the wide spectrum of flavors she has to offer. Gleeful Christman has experienced taste buds that inspire her creations.

"I like to bring out the smells and flavors," Christman said. "We try for rich and flavorful."

Christman said low and slow cooking is key to the success of each meal. We soon found that her thoughtful intention behind each ingredient and experiential flavor is evident in each plate.

Searching for signature flavor, we asked our waitress for the restaurant's most popular dishes. Our order consisted of two appetizers and two entrees: Soft rolls, vegetable sushi rolls, a Siam Pad Thai dish with chicken, and pineapple fried rice.

group of four people for a meal in order to enjoy it comfortably. We were ily of thickly shredded lettuce and

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"One of the finest aspects of Siam Pad Thai is their BYOB policy. The menu does not contain any alcoholic beverages, but customers are more than welcome to bring in their beverages of choice from home. After a semester in professor Thomas Davis' wine tasting class, I learned that any spicy food always pairs perfectly with a red wine. When going to a place like Siam Pad Thai, I would recommend a 2007 Aveleda Charamba from Douro, Portugal. It's a great inexpensive wine (\$7) with enticing aromas, which would go beautifully with a spicy Thai dish." - Holly Scholten



shrimp with a sliver of tofu and. the kickers, fresh cilantro and basil leaves. The savory flavors of fresh herbs made this order worth every bite. We tasted each flavor on its own terms, even while dipped in the signature dressing. The dressing was thick with a syrupy consistency, brought alive by a bold peanut and Sriracha sauce. Initially, the lettuce roll itself did nothing for us, but we developed an appreciation for the way it was served once we realized the components were comparable to a custom house salad, quickly making each bite all about the zingy peanut sauce.

If Pablo Picasso created sushi presentations, he very well could have made the rolled sushi we had at Siam Pad Thai. The presentation of the vegetable sushi rolls stole the spotlight of the entire night. The sushi chef used an orange to create a sculpture that only a picture can describe. The vibrant orange illuminating the platter, set against the soft pastel tones from the pickled ginger and wasabi, created an explosion of color. While the sushi rolls lacked texture and leaned toward the mushy side, the carefully crafted presentation made up for it.

Our main courses arrived quickly after our appetizers. Every entrée is customized to your preferred spice level, one through four with four being the highest. We chose to make

Seniors Holly Scholten and Ellie Hillstrom sampled the top menu items at Siam Pad Thai, located near campus on Wilmington Pike. While the soft rolls, below, were a flavor fiesta, they said the taste of the vegetable sushi rolls, right, didn't match up to their stunning appearance. HOLLY SCHOLTEN/STAFF WRITER

both of our meals a level two. The Siam Pad Thai was a noodle plate tossed with peanuts, sprouts, green onion, rich spices and fresh garlic. It was a heavy dish, very filling, and was the perfect leftover for us in the afterhours.

The pineapple fried rice garnished with carrots, cabbage and cucumber was full of color and, most importantly, flavor. The dish came complete with a wide spread of ingredients including peas, onions, carrots, garlic, raisins, cashews and tomatoes. We found the raisins to be excessive, as they only added texture and not flavor to the dish. Though beautiful in color, the tomatoes were cut in various oblong shapes, which seemed to show a lack of meticulous knife skills. The pineapple was cut into medallion-sized pieces, a little large for a platter with such small components.

Overall, we had a pleasant experience at Siam Pad Thai. The quality of the food was almost as high as popular Oregon District restaurant Thai 9's, however the atmosphere and decor of the restaurant made us feel like we were in a time warp to the 1970s. With wonderful service, flavorful food and a loving owner, we give Siam Pad Thai 3 out of 5 stars.

For more information on Siam Pad Thai, visit sites.google.com/site/siampadthairestaurant or call 937-293-9606.







**DYNAMIC DUO:** Relax to the musical styling of Duo Allant, featuring Kathryn Thomas Umble on flute and Francois Fowler on classical guitar. This world-renowned twosome takes the stage at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, in Sears Recital Hall. For more information, contact the music department at 937-229-3936.

HIDDEN MESSAGES: Discover a local collection of masks from Mexico and Guatemala, including spooky devils and cheeky monkeys. The reception for this exhibit takes place from 1-2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at the Fifth Street Gallery of Stivers School for the Arts. The school is located at 1313 E 5th St. in Dayton. For more information, call 937-542-4179

#### DIFFERENCE-MAKERS:

Get out in Dayton and do some good on SERVICE Saturday. Students will participate in activities to strengthen the community on Saturday, Feb. 4. Transportation is provided for groups and individuals. For more information or to sign up, contact the Center for Social Concern at 937-229-2524.

NEED 'HELP'?: Kick off Black History Month by catching a screening of one of 2011's most popular films. "The Help," starring Emma Stone, Viola Davis and Bryce Dallas Howard, shows at 9 p.m. Friday. Feb. 3, in ArtStreet Studio B. For more information, contact the Office of Multicultural Affairs 937-229-3634



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"Quality means doing it right when no one is looking."

Henry Ford, American industrialist and businessman, 1863-1947

## **fn**editorial **Resourceful:**

#### D2D COMMITTEE GETS CREATIVE TO INCREASE CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

With the recent warm spell, many of our fellow Flyers have Dayton to Daytona on their minds. Nike Tempo shorts and Sperrys are making an early appearance in preparation for the May festivities. This year's trip is the 35th annual installment of the University of Dayton tradition, and it seems to be on its way toward setting a new attendance record.

The 2012 theme is "a tradition well worth the tuition," and many Flyers already have signed up to take advantage of this opportunity. The trip committee said it is connecting with students more than ever, using social media and discount programs to draw them in.

Obviously the majority of the Flyer News staff had a positive opinion about Daytona already, but some of the updates this year have made us even more jazzed.

This year will be the second trip without the inclusion of freshmen, and it's safe to say this hasn't hurt sign-ups at all. D2D is on pace to set an attendance record, with the current number of sign-ups doubling the amount at this point one year ago.

The new Dayton to Daytona passport program offered to students this year is another change that Flyer News applauds. This incentive program encourages students to attend on-campus events in the four categories of arts, sports, academics and service, all while earning stamps that could decrease

How can students find out about what events count toward the eight needed for the passport? At an easy-to-use website, one of many interactive social  $\mbox{media}$  attributes of the D2D trip this year that make it better than ever.

Even those of us on staff who don't plan to be in Florida this spring support a program that gets students more involved in their own campus, specifically by going to events they might normally miss. (Checking out the speaker series often gives you more than just a drinking discount!) And for those of us with our sights set southward, we'll see you at the pool deck in 94 days!

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Texting tarnishes social interaction



vears ago. sage was sent from a computer in Britain to an early mobile telephone. In 2010, ac-

cording to txtstop.com, we sent 6.1 trillion text messages globally; an average of about 200,000 text messages per second.

While these numbers are astounding, I can't help feeling like this texting surge hasn't been as positive as

Sure, the use of texting has proven positive in many ways. It's allowed us to communicate short bits of information without the interruption. time commitment or cost of making a phone call. It's given us a way to interact directly with large corporations through promotions, contests and more. I mean, you can even receive daily weather updates and bank statements through texting. And it's encouraged everywhere.

But despite all the benefits we've seen, how good has texting been for us? I won't include the arguments about driving hazards, child safety issues or cheating and bullying in

schools. But think about our generation, specifically how we interact with Compare it to the way people interacted in our parents' generation, or even around the time mobile phones became mainstream. Has texting really been all that healthy for us?

Texting has contributed to a greater problem in society that makes us think real-life social interactions are awkward. We're so used to communicating with one another from the safety of our phone screens that it's hard or uncomfortable to actually have to interact face-to-face.

We think silences are awkward. We have less focus on conversations that are not short and to the point. We even have trouble looking others in the eye because it's less common since the use of texting. I can't tell you how many times I've walked out of class and realized four out of five people are staring at their phones for the entire walk to their next class. I know because I'm one of the worst offenders.

Many of us aren't even capable of saying what we mean anymore. One of my current professors shared the statistic that people perceive some 70 percent of text messages they receive to have a negative connotation. So what do we do? We write text mes-

sages, then edit them once, or even multiple times to ensure that our message had the right tone for its audience. We make work texts more presentable for the boss and texts to romantic interests less threatening. To make sure no one takes us too seriously, we add "haha," "jk" and emoticons to our messages, which end up making us all sound like we're crazy.

It's influenced the mediums of communication we use, too. Ten years ago, it was normal for a guy to call up a girl on the phone just to talk. But now, it seems any interaction more personal than a text or email implies almost automatically that the sender has special interest in the

Do vou remember the Robin Williams movie "RV" from 2006? As cheesy it may have been, there was a scene toward the beginning that depicted a family using texting to tell each other their dinner was ready. When I saw the movie, I used to think that was such a lame, grossly-exaggerated scene. Now however, I think the scene is fairly accurate for many households. If things keep going the way they are, I think texting will affect our social world even more in the future. And before we know it, kids will be texting in order to tell their moms they've gotten home from school

## Word on the street...

What are your impressions of UD's Greek life?



"'I like how people from other frats and sororities are good friends unlike other campuses.

#### **NIKKI HINKEBEIN**

**FRESHMAN MARKETING** 



"The parties are always fun and everyone is nice. It's completely different at other schools.'

#### **DAVE PETROSKI**

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING



"I chose not to be involved in it. I'd rather do other things that don't cost as much.

#### **RACHEL BERNARDO**

SOPHOMORE **PUBLIC RELATIONS** 

## **letters** to the editor

## Campus renovation rumors cause distress for comfortable student

For me, deciding to come to school here was definitely a hard decision. I was torn between coming here and a small school in upstate New York. The turning point was when I attended the reception for accepted students in the early spring of 2010. It was there I heard Provost Joseph Saliba speak and I was completely blown away, right then and there. The way he spoke about the University of Dayton made it feel like home, and I knew it was going to be the best choice for my home away from home.

Not everyone has a story like

mine. For some, the choice was easy because of the great academic opportunities and programs, athletics, atmosphere and of course, the community. Community is the best way to describe UD because we are truly our own little niche tucked away. When you walk to class, you're guaranteed to see at least one person you know. It is here where we form friendships and memories, and make an impact that paves the way for the rest of our lives.

I would be thoroughly disappointed if UD were to triple in

size or make major renovations to the campus within the next few years. I have heard some rumors about UD wanting to expand to the size of a state school like Ohio State University, or make Brown Street the center of campus. If the university were to make changes like those, it would damage what UD currently stands for.

Another reason I considered coming to school here was the size. I came from a high school of just over 1,000 students, and transitioning to UD was nice because the student population was not overwhelming. Besides, where else are you going to take a general education class with only about 70 students, instead of the usual 150-plus at other schools? Where else will your professors strive to know their students by name? And I don't know about you, but I like the five-minute walk between each building. We don't have to be shuttled from building to building like other urban campuses.

Deciding to attend the University of Dayton has been the best decision of my life so far, and I hope it still remains one of the

best after I graduate. I want to bring my children here and show them where I took classes, where I lived and where I socialized. I really hope the rumors I've heard are not true.

> ASHLEY PANTONA PRICE SOPHOMORE EDUCATION, BIOLOGY

# International diversity creates campus division

Is it me, or have things changed at the University of Dayton? The community-oriented campus I stepped onto in the fall of 2008 is very different than the one I see and know today. In order to avoid accusations of discrimination or ignorance. I should explain that this is not an argument against having an international population, nor is it one of non-appreciation for UD's renovations while I have been here. This is a simple observation: These changes - the over 1.200 students from Asia and the Middle East along with the speed and extravagance of construction - indicate an exchange of the tight-knit community UD has boasted since 1850, for a transparent reputation where money is the obvious reflection. It seems to me that UD is more concerned with attracting attention and funding than it is with education and community values

Such a taboo topic is rarely made public, but it is a very real and main concern for me, as well as my peers. I am not calling for an elimination of our international students. Personally, I have a multiethnic family and have traveled across Europe,

and I can confidently state that I believe experiencing other cultures is enriching and thoughtprovoking. That being said, the fact that this disclaimer needs to be explicitly stated is a testament to the political correctness that serves to paralyze rather than protect. Well then, let me be hold. The bottom line is that as a small Catholic university in a small city in southern Ohio, which already has a problem with over-enrollment, is it really necessary to exponentially expand a student population that is completely separated from the larger community?

The answer is no, but the reasons for this occurring are clear. Dayton has one of the best engineering programs in the country. It is something to be very proud of and will eventually bring the city of Dayton back to the success it once had. Now, obviously bringing boatloads of international students, who are undoubtedly brilliant, into this burgeoning enterprise breeds instant recognition and, of course. increased funding. International Student and Scholar Services confirmed that the vast majority of international students pays full tuition, although the government of from Saudi Arabia pays the tuition of those citizens. According to the School of Engineering, 48 percent of its fall enrollment was from the international community.

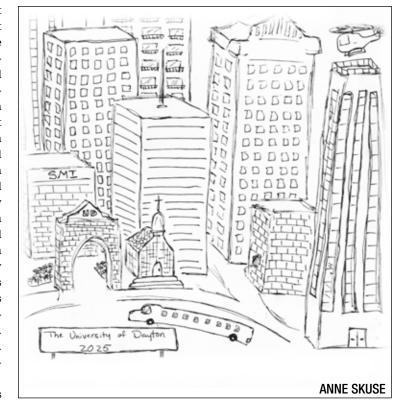
Then riddle me this UD: If the community the university so highly covets and speaks of so resolutely is real, then why not take a fraction of the millions it must have acquired from these exchange programs and the inflated tuition and put it toward improving the larger community? The underfunded Dayton city school district could benefit greatly from a partnership with UD. I believe that small local changes yield to betterment on a mass scale. If UD truly cared about the community, which now serves as a guise rather than a genuine goal, then there would be far more local kids given a chance to improve the city they call home as opposed to students who hail from halfway across the world. UD has created a subculture on our small campus. Its diversity has led to division. This change is obvious and ever-

As a school that no doubt has

one of the best alumni networks in the country, I hope UD takes this into account. Seeing first-hand the changes that have taken place in the last four years, I shudder to imagine how UD will look in my absence five, 10 or 20 years from now. Will I recognize it? Will the same traditions be

kept? If you ask me, I would say no. The University of Dayton is no longer personal, it's business.

> ANNE SKUSE SENIOR HISTORY



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Club Volleyball

## UD club volleyball prepares for Saturday's Flyer Invitational

The University of Dayton women's club volleyball team will host 15 other teams from the region at its Flyer Invitational Saturday, according to team president Calli Eastern Kentucky University and Feb. 4. at the RecPlex.

The club team started in 1989. and has held the invitational every fall and spring since its birth,



From left, sophomore Alvssa Birdsall attempts a kill next to senior Kara Stefanov while seniors Kathleen Burke and Calli Roberts try for a block during a practice, Jan. 24, at the RecPlex. The team hosts the Flyer Invitational Saturday, Feb. 4. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

Roberts, a senior public relations and marketing major.

The Flyers also are the No. 1 team in the nation according to the latest National Club Volleyball Federation rankings on Jan. 17.

Senior Kara Stefanov, a chemical engineering major, said the club will face added pressure because of its current ranking.

"I'm really excited but I'm kind of nervous because I think we're the No. 1 team in the country and that title puts a little target on our back," Stefanov said. "So I feel like teams are going to try a little harder to beat us than in the past."

Roberts said the Flyer Invitation is one of the team's biggest events each semester.

The schools attending Saturday's tournament include Ohio University, Ohio State University, University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo, Butler University,

several more.

Despite the difficult all-day schedule of Saturday's event. Roberts said her players are ready for the games.

"Ohio University is always good and Ohio State is currently ranked fifth in the nation, so we have some good competition in front of us." Roberts said.

The women also are excited for the invitational because it is the first tournament for the team since returning from winter break, according to Addie Goodwin, a sophomore business major.

"This is our first tournament back and we certainly have a goal of winning," she said.

The club team recently added a few new faces and lost some players as well, but Goodwin said this will not be a problem for the squad.

"Our chemistry will be fine," she said. "We have had a long break

and a lot of time to practice since playing our last tournament."

With the opportunity to face tough competition, Roberts said the team is starting to think about hopefully qualifying for the national tournament from April 5-7 in Kansas City, Mo.

She said the top 48 teams in the country qualify for the tournament, and that this weekend provides the team with a chance to boost its chances of a high seed.

"We have a great opportunity ahead of us," Roberts said. "We had an invitational in the fall and we know what to expect this weekend."

With the chance to beat tough competition at the RecPlex. Stefanov said she is counting on the Flyer Faithful to support the club.

"I'm just really excited and I hope that fans come and cheer us on," Stefanov said.

# Baseball team begins winter workouts; picked to finish third in A-10

The University of Dayton baseball team commenced its 2012 season with the first practice of winter workouts Friday, Jan. 27, in the Frericks Center.

Dayton was selected by the Atlantic 10 Conference coaches' poll to finish third this season. The Flvers, who finished third in the A-10 last season with a 32-27 overall record, return 24 players including the top three pitchers and top six bats in the lineup, according to head coach Tony Vittorio.

The 12-vear head coach said the team plans on riding the returning talent and experience to an A-10 title. He said the team even adopted a new slogan: "Expect to win."

"It's something the seniors came up with." Vittorio said. "We have an attitude like, 'Why not us?' We've built a solid program, we're very experienced and we expect to win every day - on the diamond, in practice, in workouts and in the classroom."

Leading the team this year are five seniors who were named to the website College Sports Madness' preseason A-10 All-Conference

Seniors first baseman C.J. Gillman, center fielder Bobby Glover, starting pitcher Burny Mitchem

and shortstop Brian Blasik are all on the first-team lineup. Senior outfielder Mike Coughlin was named second-team all-conference.

Blasik, the team's leadoff hitter who also was named CSM's preseason A-10 field player of the year, said this is the most talented team he's ever been a part of and the expectations are high.

"We all want to win and we expect a lot out of ourselves and each other," the shortstop said. "I don't think it's unreasonable to say we can't win the A-10 tournament, move on to regionals and go even further from there."

Keeping the Flyers from claiming the A-10 title last year, according to Vittorio, was a lack of depth on the mound and the inability to finish games defensively. The coach said he's confident they've filled that void through new recruits, filling the bullpen with "quality pitchers."

UD then added more depth to the mound in the 2012-13 recruiting class, announcing the signing of four pitchers Tuesday, Jan. 31. Two left-handed pitchers from Indiana. Josh Fisher and Jordan Humfleet. as well as Ohio right-handers Aaron Huesman and Luke Wolford will attend UD starting in the fall.

The Flyers have been batting since indoor practices began Fri-



Senior center fielder Bobby Glover swings at a pitch against Temple University in this April 1, 2011, file photo at Time Warner Cable Stadium. The Flyers were projected to finish third in the A-10 this year by the annual preseason coaches' poll. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

day. Vittorio said live training time is imperative in the preseason but confined to the indoors because of the university's long winter break and the Ohio weather.

"We're a Midwestern team so we're used to practicing indoors, but it's important we get rolling as soon as we get back because we only have three weeks to get ready," he said.

Gillman, who plays first base and bats third in the lineup, said this year's indoor sessions have been the most competitive in his

UD tenure.

"There's so much competition this year," he said in an e-mail to Flyer News. "Everyone's fighting for a spot and you can't take a day off so everyone's training hard which I think just makes us better and more consistent. We have a solid pitching core and I think we're a pretty dangerous team this year one through nine [in the lineup]."

Vittorio said the combination of team chemistry, talent and experience makes this year's lineup a favorite to bring the A-10 championship to UD.

"We're excited," he said. "We were excited last year, too, but with the experience we've got coming back this year, we're really excited. This could be the best team we've ever had at Dayton."

The Flyers open the season Feb. 17 against Ball State University in Spartanburg, S.C. The home schedule opens against Bowling Green State University Feb. 28, on Woerner Field at Time Warner Cable

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Women's Basketball

# Dayton looks to win at Xavier for first time since '08

STEVE MALONEY

Lead Sports Writer

The University of Dayton women's basketball team takes on rival Xavier University at 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5. in Cincinnati.

The Musketeers (5-15, 1-5 Atlantic 10 Conference) have been victorious in their previous five meetings with Dayton (14-5, 6-1 A-10). But, with the exception of one blowout, the games have been decided by an average of just four points.

Despite the current difference in conference standings, Dayton senior forward Justine Raterman said the records never matter in this matchup.

"As a lot of people know, the Dayton versus Xavier rivalry is huge," she said. "It's a game, experience and atmosphere like no other. Overall, it has been a pretty healthy rivalry between two very talented teams who go out and played very hard against each other."

Dayton head coach Jim Jabir said the Xavier game is always important and a great game, whether it is played in Cincinnati or Dayton.

"I've been here nine years now, and in the past it started out with them [Xavier] killing us," he said. "We've made it competitive recently and I think we've come closer than most other teams in A-10 to beating them. I don't care what their record is, we know that they will be ready for us and we will have to be ready for them as well."

UD enters the game ranked No. 45 in the Rating Percentage Index while Xavier is ranked No. 202.

Raterman, the leading scorer for the Flyers at 13.6 points per game, said that emotion plays a large role in any game against Xavier, and controlling those emotions will be important in order to be victorious.

"There is going to be runs made by both teams and we can't let the momentum swing too much one way," she said. "Whenever we go to Xavier, they bring a great crowd and it will be no different this year."

Xavier is led by senior guard Tyeasha Moss, who is leading the Musketeers in points (12.8), assists (62) and steals (17).

The Musketeers have outrebounded their opponents by an average of 2.9 rebounds a game. Xavier also turns the ball over 19 times a game. Defensively, Dayton has forced an average of 22.3 turnovers a game in seven conference games.

Sunday's game will be televised



University of Dayton senior forward Justine Raterman (34) looks to dribble around two University of Richmond defenders in the Flyers' 81-78 overtime win. Jan. 25. at UD Arena. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

on ESPNU. Jabir said this is a great opportunity for the program.

"With the game on ESPNU, this is a great opportunity for both pro-

grams," he said. "It's a great rivalry and this game gives a chance to put our program on the map. We have a veteran team, and if we run our system and play defense the way we know we can, I think we'll be fine."

Men's Basketball

## Oliver's sweet tooth good for Flyers' appetite for rebounds



University of Dayton sophomore forward Devin Oliver brings the ball up the court against the University of Rhode Island, Saturday, Jan. 28, at UD Arena. URI won the game 86-81. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

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It might have sounded odd, but first-year men's basketball head coach Archie Miller wanted University of Dayton students to give sophomore forward Devin Oliver cookies in the fall.

It was even one of the first things Miller asked of students when he introduced himself and the Flyers at a Sept. 9, 2011, Red Scare rally.

Oliver had spent his summer fighting off a case of mononucleosis while his teammates toured Europe and played in exhibition games. He said about a week before the team left on Aug. 8, he thought he just had strep throat. But, after his mother's urging, a trip to a doctor back in his hometown proved otherwise.

When the results came back, UD team trainer Nate Seymour informed Oliver he wouldn't be able to make the trip.

"I really wanted to cry because it was like a once-in-a-lifetime type thing," Oliver said. "For you to miss out on that, it was really tough."

According to Oliver, sophomore forward Ralph Hill – his roommate, who also didn't make the trip due to injury – and senior forward Luke Fabrizius texted him numerous times with words of encouragement.

Oliver ended up losing about 20 pounds from his 6-foot-7-inch body with a listed weight of 200 pounds. Miller said he was initially concerned with the diagnosis because of its potential effect on Oliver's chance for growth as a player.

"I was worried about Devin's development because he missed a big chunk of July and August when we went to Europe," Miller said. "From an offensive, defensive standpoint, I was worried he'd be a little behind. Also, he's a slender kid and you want him to be at his physical best where he had some time to build and he lost a little bit of that. ... What he missed hasn't hurt him."

Redshirt senior guard Josh Parker said he and teammates kept encouraging Oliver when the team got back, and it's paid off for the Flyers.

The Kalamazoo, Mich., native is the team's third-leading rebounder among active players with 4.4 rebounds a game. He's also averaging 3.5 points and 17 minutes a game.

Miller said Oliver's real talent doesn't show up in the box score.

During the second half of the team's game against Xavier University on Jan. 21, Oliver sprinted after a loose ball and in one motion, saved the ball from going out of bounds while diving in the air. Miller pointed to that play when explaining Oliver's impact on the game.

"It's a momentum play, an effort play," Miller said. "It's the thing I'm looking for him to continue to do."

In that same 87-72 Dayton win over Xavier, Oliver played nine minutes and gathered five rebounds, three on the offensive end.

So far this season, Oliver has shown the ability to get after any rebound. He said when he comes into the game, that's his ultimate objective.

"My goal every time I go in there

is to get as many rebounds as I can," he said. "Even if you don't get it, eventually you're going to get one. [It's an] attack-the-glass mentality."

Against the University of Rhode Island on Saturday, Jan. 28, Oliver had two dunks. One was on an alley-oop from redshirt junior guard Kevin Dillard and the other was a tip-back dunk off a miss by Parker.

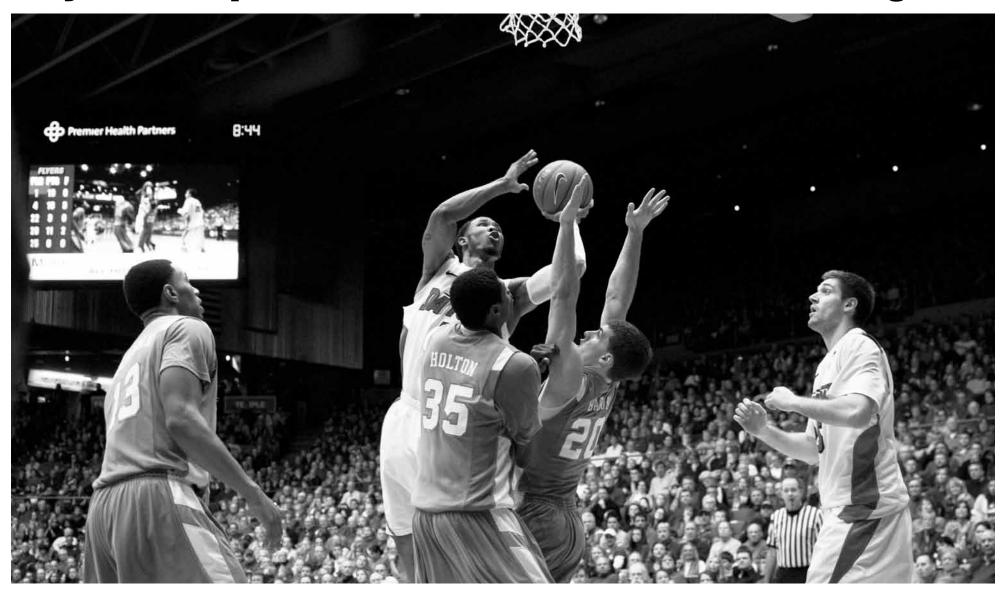
Parker said it's those kinds of plays that he tells Oliver the team needs when he comes off the bench.

"He's big for us, man," Parker said. "He's a great rebounder and that's what he's been focusing on. He and I usually come into the game together at the same time and I tell him, 'Come on, we got to bring energy.' And he'll say, 'Yeah, I got you."

So if you see Oliver around one of the UD dining halls consider giving him a cookie just like Miller suggested. Or some ice cream.

He said he's a big-time ice cream guy, just like his play on the court has been big time for the Flyers recently. Men's Basketball

# Dayton drops third consecutive conference game



University of Dayton senior forward Chris Johnson, center, goes up for a shot against two University of Rhode Island defenders while freshman forward Alex Gavrilovic, right, watches, Saturday, Jan. 28, at UD Arena. The Flyers lost that game 86-81, and then fell 83-73 against Duquesne University Wednesday, Feb. 1. MICKEY SHUEY/LEAD PHOTOGRAPHER

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The University of Dayton men's basketball team fell again in Atlantic 10 Conference play Wednesday, Feb. 1, at UD Arena.

Dayton (14-8, 4-4 A-10) lost 83-73 to Duquesne University to push the Flyers' losing streak to three games and two straight conference losses at home. Duquesne senior forward B.J. Monteiro led the Dukes with 20 points.

UD redshirt junior point guard Kevin Dillard led all scorers with 22 points, Junior center Matt Kavanaugh also added 17 points and six rebounds in the loss.

First-year Dayton head coach Archie Miller said Duquesne's first-half three-point shooting was the game's main focal point.

"[Duquesne] put on a first half shooting display that seems be a common theme at the moment, "They came in and really got the tone set early on."

Duquesne shot 30-for-58 from the field for the game and 12-for-23 from the three-point line.

Dillard said in the second half, the Dayton defense pressured more on the perimeter and Duquesne subsequently had more trouble shooting.

"They were comfortable shooting them," Dillard said about the first-half threes. "That's the reason they didn't make as many in the second half [2-for-7] because we ran them out to the line and made them uncomfortable."

Redshirt senior guard Josh Parker made his first start of the season in place of fellow senior Paul Williams. Williams recently had struggled in scoring only 21 points in his last 138 minutes of play. Parker and Williams then combined for six points on 1-for-

but give them credit," he said. 10 shooting in 53 minutes Wednes-

UD fell behind early in the first half and struggled to come back. Duquesne hit back-to-back-toback threes to open its scoring in the first half. With 16:23 to go in the half, the Dukes went on a 10-0 run to open up a 19-10 lead.

Duquesne (13-9, 4-4) went 10for-16 from behind the three-point line in the half and shot 61.3 percent from the field. Dayton was nearly as good in shooting the ball at 56 percent from the field.

Dillard, who scored his 1,000 career collegiate point in the game. scored eight points in the first half's two-and-a-half minutes to bring UD back within 10 points. Dayton trailed 49-40 at halftime.

The Flyers opened the second half on a 6-0 run and pushed Duquesne on both sides of the court.

At the 11:12 mark, Dillard tied

the game with free throws. Senior forward Chris Johnson then made two more free throws to give Davton its first lead of the game.

The lead lasted all of 17 sec-

Duquesne sophomore forward Jerry Jones then drove to the basket and was fouled by sophomore forward Devin Oliver. Jones' lavup went in and the free throw gave Duquesne a 58-57 lead.

UD only got within one for the rest of the game after a pair of Dillard free throws with 8:13 to go. Dayton then went on a six-minute stretch without a field goal and Duquesne responded with a 13-4

Kavanaugh said the team didn't "run out of gas," but having to come back from a first half 16-point deficit was an uphill bat-

"It's hard to rally back form that," Kavanaugh said. "We ended

up getting the lead, but Duquesne kept making plays. ... We let them get going in the first half and that's what affected us in the second half. We were able to make a run, but they had the answer."

Miller said there's a lack of confidence with the team right now. Miller even said that as the head coach, he's the "guy not getting it done the most."

He attributed the first half defensive effort to minimal pressure. But Miller said the team's problems are correctable.

"Good, bad or ugly, one of the things we can't ever have is a lack of detail, lack of effort, lack of trying," Miller said. "I don't think we have that."

Dayton next plays Saint Louis University at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5. in St. Louis.

