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## Basilica Mass held in remembrance of Valero

*Students fill church to commemorate life of Keenan sophomore; Fr. Tom Doyle delivers homily to congregation*

By MEGAN DOYLE and SAM STRYKER  
News Editors

Rain fell and the Basilica's bells chimed as hundreds filed out of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart Thursday evening after a Mass of Remembrance in honor of Sean Valero.

During the Mass, Fr. Tom Doyle recounted the sophomore's funeral, held only 12 hours earlier.

At the request of the Valero family, four of his friends from Keenan walked in the funeral procession alongside his parents and sister as the casket was carried down the aisle of St. Helen's Church in Niskayuna, N.Y.

The image of Valero's friends and family illustrated the Doyle's message in the homily: Our brokenness can bring us together.

"It was both the wounds and the strength, fully exposed, that

brought them together and delivered them to the Lord," Doyle said. "That's what it means to be a family. That's what it means to be Notre Dame."

Students filled the Basilica pews during the memorial Mass for Valero less than one week after campus learned of his death.

Fr. Joseph Carey, interim director of Campus Ministry, presided over the Mass, and Doyle, vice president of Student Affairs, delivered the homily to the standing room only congregation.

The men of Keenan Hall filled the first six rows, dressed in blazers, and Keenan rector Fr. Dan Nolan was among the celebrants on the altar.

Luke's gospel about the healing of a paralytic highlighted the need to be humble in difficult times, Doyle said. In the gospel, four of the paralytic's

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TOM LA/The Observer

Students enter the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to attend a memorial mass for sophomore Sean Valero Thursday night. Valero died last week.

## Keenan to host memorial basketball tournament

Observer Staff Report

Keenan Hall will host a two-on-two basketball tournament for members of the dorm Saturday in honor of sophomore Sean Valero, who died last week.

Sophomores Ryan Dunbar, Gabe de Vela, Stephen Schwaner and Preston Scott founded the Keenan Shootout as a charity tournament this year.

"After losing Sean, who was close to all of Keenan but especially my roommates and myself, we wanted to do something in memory of him,"

Dunbar said. "This year the tournament will be dedicated to Sean, and the money raised will go toward a memorial for him."

Originally, the Shootout was planned to benefit a charity, selected by all of the fundraiser's participants. After Valero's death, Dunbar and the other organizers added a memorial to their friend as an option for the donations. Residents of Keenan voted to decide where the money would be donated, Dunbar said. They chose between four charities and a memorial for Valero.

"After holding registration, almost all voted for the money

to go toward a memorial for Sean," Dunbar said. "To hear the guys say over and over that they wanted the tournament to donate to the memorial spoke volumes about the types of guys here at Notre Dame and the sense of community really present in the dorm life at Keenan. As close friends of Sean, it means a lot to us."

Dunbar said while this is the inaugural Shootout, the organizers hope it will expand in the years to come.

"We are hoping to make [the Shootout] an annual tradition in Keenan Hall," he said. "This is the first year, and we wanted to

limit the entries to Keenan men only as we use this year to test the waters and see where we can make improvements in the upcoming years."

Commemorating Sean's life through the tournament this year is important to Valero's friends in Keenan, Dunbar said.

"He truly was an amazing guy and the nicest person I've ever met," Dunbar said. "I know those of us putting on the tournament are very pleased to be able to incorporate the tournament this year to help remember a great person."

Games will be held all day Saturday behind Keenan Hall.

## University confers with IOSHA

By MEGAN DOYLE  
News Editor

The University will continue talks with the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration (IOSHA) before addressing \$77,500 in fines related to the state investigation of junior Declan Sullivan's October death, IOSHA representative Stephanie McFarland said Thursday.

Sullivan died Oct. 27 after the scissor-lift from which he was filming football practice fell. He was a student videographer for the football team.

"At this point, Notre Dame is taking steps to ensure safety for its employees," McFarland said. "The Notice of Consent is a state-required formality to continue their conversations with IOSHA."

IOSHA published the results of its investigation March 15 and required the University to respond before April 7. Notre Dame filed a Notice of Contest to continue its conversations with IOSHA after the deadline

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## Craig, Harris debate nature of morality



KIRBY MCKENNA/The Observer

Anti-theist Sam Harris, left, moderator Michael Rea, center, and Christian apologist William Lane Craig engage in a debate Thursday.

By EMILY SCHRANK  
News Writer

Christian apologist William Lane Craig and anti-theist Sam Harris only agree on one thing — the existence of moral values and duties. Beyond that, the two have nothing in common, except that they debated their views in front of a sold-out audience Thursday evening in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Craig argues that religion and

belief in God's existence is the foundation for all moral values. Harris, who is known as one of the "four horsemen of atheism," believes that science, not religion, should provide the basis for morality.

Craig said theism provides a sound foundation for objective moral values.

"If God exists, objective moral values exist," he said. "God's moral nature is expressed to us in the form of commandments, which constitute our moral obli-

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL TEAM NAME?



Saad Khan

freshman  
Carroll

“Dream Within  
a Dream Within  
a Dream Team.”



Justin Siler

senior  
St. Edward’s

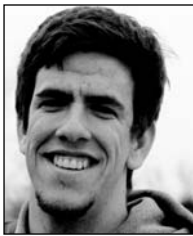
“Aquamarine  
Ballers.”



Simone Bigi

senior  
Pasquerilla West

“Bi (but it’s  
since been  
banned).”



Bobby Curley

junior  
Duncan

“Corduroy  
Pillows — We’re  
Making  
Headlines.”



Chim Richalds

senior  
off campus

“Muhammad  
Ali’s Jenga  
Team.”



Victoria Braga

senior  
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“We Might Be  
Losers, But At  
Least We’re Not  
Dead or LaFun  
Arcade Staff.”

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SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

The Notre Dame and University of Minnesota Duluth hockey teams warm up before the Frozen Four game yesterday. The Bulldogs reached the Frozen Four title game with a 4-3 win over the Irish.

## OFFBEAT

### Bulls wreak havoc before rodeo

POCATELLO, Idaho — Rodeo week in Pocatello kicked off with an unscheduled running of the bulls as three of the bucking beasts broke free and headed through town with cowboys and police in pursuit.

The bulls were being unloaded Wednesday afternoon for the Xtreme Bulls event when they made a run for it. The animals were corralled about a mile away from Idaho State’s Holt Arena.

Pocatello Frontier Rodeo Association president Robert Askey says the biggest challenge was keeping people safe and keeping the huge animals calm and

off the main streets.

The Xtreme Bulls event went on as scheduled Wednesday night. The Western Frontier Pro Rodeo continues with the Wrangler Million Dollar Silver Tour Rodeo performances Thursday through Saturday.

### Missing snake given moniker

NEW YORK — The name of New York City’s most elusive snake is Mia (MEE’-uh) for “missing in action.”

The moniker won out over four other finalists Thursday in a contest to name the slippery Bronx Zoo cobra. More than 33,000 nominations were submitted to the Bronx Zoo

and New York Daily News for the contest.

The venomous Egyptian cobra went missing two weeks ago and quickly became the stuff of legend. Someone even started pretending to be the cobra on Twitter. The animal was found a week ago in a dark corner of the reptile house.

Other finalists in the naming contest:

- Cleopatra.
- Agnes, which is Greek for pure or holy.
- Amaunet, an ancient Egyptian goddess. It means “the female hidden one.”
- Subira (soo-BEE’-ruh), Egyptian for “patient.”

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

Marc Gunther will speak today from 10:40 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business as the last installment of the Ten Years Hence Lecture Series. Gunther is a Contributing Editor for FORTUNE Magazine, a senior writer at Greenbiz.com and a blogger at [www.marcgunther.com](http://www.marcgunther.com). The event is free.

Crispin Sartwell will present a lecture and a slideshow called “Political Aesthetics” today at 4:00 p.m. in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum of Art. Sartwell is a cultural theorist, art historian and art philosopher. The event is free.

There will be a Family Nature Hike today from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Saint Mary’s College. The event is free and registration is available through [RecRegister](http://RecRegister).

The Department of Film, Television and Theatre and the Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival will present “The Two Gentleman of Verona” today at 7:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 for students. The play tells the story of two gentleman that are both trying to win the heart of the fairest lady in the land.

O.A.R. and Chiddy Bang will perform today from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Stepan Center. A limited number of tickets are available for \$15.

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# Professors discuss unrest, protests in Afghanistan

By KRISTEN DURBIN  
News Writer

After an American pastor burned a Quran last month and provoked protests throughout Afghanistan, Professor Michael Desch, chair of the political science department, said the conflict will significantly influence the relationship between the Middle East and the United States.

"The protests are disturbing not only because lives were lost, but more worrisome over the long term is the fact that the protests are taking place in areas of the country with no significant Taliban presence," he said. "It indicates that things are really fragile, perhaps more than we realized."

Florida Pastor Terry Jones publicly threatened to conduct a "trial on the Quran" last year. He then burned the sacred Muslim text with members of his church on March 20.

United States President Barack Obama, Army Gen. David Petraeus and Afghan President Hamid Karzai were among public officials who publicly condemned Jones' actions.

Desch said Gen. Petraeus made an impassioned plea last

year to Jones against burning the Quran in hopes of steering him away from the act.

"Apparently, Jones didn't listen to [Petraeus], and now he has blood on his hands," Desch said.

While nonviolent protests continue throughout Afghanistan, angry demonstrators stormed a United Nations compound in Mazar-e-Sharif April 1. The attack killed 12, including seven U.N. employees, and left dozens wounded.

A Tuesday protest at Kabul University attracted over 1,000 peaceful supporters.

Despite current tensions, David Campbell, associate professor of political science, said the United States' reaction to Jones' actions has been positive.

"I think this whole incident has actually shown the religious tolerance within the United States because this pastor's tiny church has basically abandoned him," Campbell said. "At the very least, I hope the U.S. can make the point that [Jones] is a fringe person and that Americans are actually quite comfortable with other religions, including Islam."

Both Desch and Campbell emphasized the political and



Afghani men shout anti-America slogans as they hold a banner reading, "We don't want American Bases in Afghanistan," during a peaceful protest in Kabul, Afghanistan, Thursday. AP

military significance of Gen. Petraeus' public denouncement of Jones' actions.

"The fact that [Petraeus] has spoken out is significant because he wouldn't get involved in something unless American lives were at stake," Campbell said.

Campbell said religious pluralism is widely accepted in the United States, but discourse on faith should be respectful and inoffensive to another religion's sacred objects.

Campbell said the fact that no prominent American religious leaders have publicly endorsed

Jones' actions shows Americans generally consider him to be an extremist who speaks for no more than a small number of people.

"In the United States, people are very comfortable with proselytizing and interfaith discourse, but we've worked out a way for those sorts of exchanges to occur within the bounds of reason," he said. "In general, people are not going to do things that are deliberately offensive to what others find sacred."

While debate about the construction of an Islamic cultural center near Ground Zero in

New York remained balanced and peaceful, Campbell said Jones' disrespectful actions should not be considered in the same vein of discourse.

"It's one thing to criticize Islam or the cultural center and self-promote one's religion within the bounds of reason, but things move into the category of offensive when people deliberately desecrate something holy," he said. "For example, putting the 'Eucharist on trial' would offend a lot of Americans."

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# Irish coach rewards dorms for enthusiasm



Photo courtesy of Caitlin Desmond

Residents of Cavanaugh Hall pose with Irish coach Brian Kelly, center, after Kelly thanked them for their school spirit at pep rallies.

By MEL FLANAGAN  
News Writer

Nine of the most spirited residence halls on campus were recently rewarded for their enthusiasm at this fall's pep rallies with personal talks from coach Brian Kelly in their respective dorms.

Each of the seven home game pep rallies featured a dorm spirit competition in which judges chose the most spirited hall based on attendance and level of enthusiasm. This year, Badin, Siegfried, Pasquerilla East, Farley, Cavanaugh, Alumni, Walsh, St. Edward's and Carroll took home spirit awards.

Mike Oliver, co-chair of Hall Presidents Council, said the plans for the competition began last April.

Oliver and co-chair Alexa Doyle worked with former student body president Catherine Soler and football program administrators to coordinate the contest.

"We tried to think of how to get students to come to the pep rallies," Oliver said.

"Since Brian Kelly wanted to get more connected to the students, we figured one way to increase student attendance was to create a spirit competition between the dorms."

Former Cavanaugh president Caitlin Desmond said her hall demonstrated enormous enthusiasm at the pep rallies this fall, including running to Irish Green to obtain front-row seats.

Their efforts proved successful as Cavanaugh was rewarded this past Wednesday with a special appearance by Kelly.

Kelly thanked the girls for exhibiting outstanding spirit and remaining engaged with the team throughout the season.

"We had a tough year, and

you very easily could have backed out and not been supportive," he said. "But you've been very supportive throughout the entire year, and

I'm here to say 'thank you' for that."

Kelly said the competition allowed him to connect personally with the dorms and discover the distinctive character and spirit of each hall.

"It's been a great learning experience, learning about the different dorms, their history, the people that are here," he said.

"I wanted to really become immersed in what our campus is about."

Kelly said he was especially drawn to Notre Dame for its unique residential life.

"I wanted to be on a campus that had a residential community," he said. "I wanted to go somewhere [where] there was truly community spirit."

Cavanaugh looked to demonstrate that Notre Dame spirit Wednesday night, and the entire dorm was thrilled to meet Kelly, Desmond said.

"I really think the girls enjoyed hearing his story and answering our questions," she said. "I loved seeing him want to be involved with the students."

Pasquerilla East won the spirit competition at the first pep rally of the season.

"Since it was the first pep rally, we were all super excited. I think there were almost 150 of us," hall president Emily Hefferon said.

"We got there an hour early and we were blasting music. We were all so pumped."

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## Mass

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friends lowered him through a roof so Jesus could heal him, both physically and spiritually. Doyle said Notre Dame students can be like the friends who help the paralytic in the gospel reading.

"We're the Fighting Irish. What are you fighting for? It's a question that begs description of who we are," he said. "Notre Dame is a community inspired by Christ, and we are the kind of people who are fighting to lift up the other, to care for the vulnerable and to take that in prayer to Jesus."

Doyle spoke words directly to Sean in the voice of the Notre Dame community.

"Your idealism and inherent compassion toward the poor, the needy, the destitute, your kindness toward animals, those are unique gifts that the world needs and that we need," he said.

Notre Dame students are good at serving others, Doyle said, but they must also be open to help in their times of need.

"Are we humble enough, are we humble enough to let others help, to carry us when we are in need, when we are paralyzed?" Doyle said. "The need of the paralytic is so obvious, but do we expose any vulnerability? ... If a wound isn't exposed, how can it be healed?"

Notre Dame represents a community "bound by faith" where members must serve and be open to being served, Doyle said, which is where the University derives its solidarity.

"This community ... is the kind where a group of guys or women recognize a person in need, subordinate our own

agenda and care for someone else," he said.

Later in the Mass, the congregation echoed this message of unity through times of trouble as students reached across pews and aisles to join hands and pray the "Our Father." The men of Keenan then embraced one another during the sign of peace.

"It is not the perfection of your faith that draws you closest to God," Doyle said. "It is our imperfection that leads to healing, to resurrection and to God."

As Doyle spoke, students quietly took in his words. When the time came to sing the Alma Mater, students wrapped their arms around each other, shoulder to shoulder, and sang with full voice.

Student body president Pat McCormick said the number of students present to remember Valero spoke to the unity of the Notre Dame family.

"We will never forget Sean," he said.

Despite the somber environment, Doyle said the Mass was a celebration of Sean's life.

"Sean is still very much alive in Jesus Christ," Doyle said. "Sean's brokenness drew Christ so close to his presence that he remains with him."

Before the congregation quietly poured out into the rain, Tami Schmitz, a member of Campus Ministry staff, read a statement from the Valero family written for the members of the Notre Dame community.

"There is something you can do for us. When you leave here tonight and go home, tell somebody there that you love them and that you appreciate them. And then live that out every day."

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# ND observes meat-free Fridays

By REGINA WOOD  
News Writer

Meat and potatoes may be culinary staples, but Notre Dame's dining halls forgo the former on Fridays during Lent and formulate creative, meat-free dishes for students.

Donald Miller, executive chef of Notre Dame food services, said he enjoys the challenges of concocting unique meatless menu items during Lent.

"Lent is another excuse for me as a chef, a culinarian, which is my passion, to introduce healthy food that is incredibly good but is viewed as not tasting good in our current culture," Miller said.

Miller said he is currently experimenting with mixed grains like farro and amaranth and is developing a grain-based salad. The dining halls have also expanded their sustainable fish offerings to include pollack, tilapia and Alaska salmon, he said.

South Dining Hall general manager Marc Poklinkowski said some items introduced during Lent become permanent menu staples, including the popular mozzarella cheese-filled Bosco Sticks.

"[Bosco sticks] stayed on the regular menu rotation since they were so popular," he said.

This year's most popular items include mahi mahi sliders, six cheese sachettini and make-your-own pizzas, Prentkowski said. He said the addition of new Lenten menu items often incorporates more cheese than usual to compensate for the lack of meat in entrees.

"On a typical day, we usually use around 200 grilled cheese [sandwiches]," Poklinkowski said. "That goes up to 900 on Lenten Fridays."

Miller said Lent also gives the dining halls an opportunity to improve their use of seasonal and locally sourced food. Serving meatless dishes allows the dining halls to spend money on more expensive substitutions for meat, like mahi mahi sliders, David Prentkowski, director of food services administration, said.

North Dining Hall manager Reggie Kalili said one of the biggest challenges is ensuring that all ingredients used in a dish are completely meatless. This issue becomes crucial in formulating dishes like soup and rice that normally contain chicken or beef base.

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**David Prentkowski**  
director  
food services administration

Despite the significant menu changes, meatless Fridays do not significantly affect weekly operations because managers and employees are informed of the menu changes ahead of time and adjust their plans accordingly, Prentkowski said.

"We have a very low turnover for a food service operation, so almost all of the staff has done this at least once before," Prentkowski said.

He said the dining halls coordinate with the athletic department to create Lenten menus for the athletic training tables that take athletic performance and nutrition into account. These tables feature meatless options during Lent but may include meat with special dispensation, Prentkowski said.

Although the practice of abstaining from meat in all dining halls may seem unusual, Prentkowski said meat-free Fridays are a deeply engrained Notre Dame tradition.

"[Serving no meat on Lenten Fridays] is a historical practice that has been in place for as long as anyone can remember," said Prentkowski. "It is just one of the many things unique and special about Notre Dame as a Catholic university."

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# SMC modifies spring room selection process

By BRIDGET FEENEY  
News Writer

As the end of the semester quickly approaches, members of the Saint Mary's community finalized their housing plans for the fall semester this week.

Each student is assigned a lottery number in March to pick rooms in early April, beginning with rising seniors and concluding with rising sophomores.

Freshman Kat Sullivan chose a room in Regina Hall for her sophomore year Wednesday.

"For a lot of people, room selection defines what your year will be like," Sullivan said. "Where you live, if you're near friends, if you have a good roommate — those are all issues important to people."

She said the small size of the Saint Mary's campus makes it easy to see friends who live in different dorms, so living in different locations does not present a major issue.

But the Department of Residence Life and Community Standards (DRLCS) has altered the room selection procedure within the past year, Janielle Tchakerian, assistant vice president for student affairs and director of DRLCS, said.

*"For a lot of people, room selection defines what your year will be like. Where you live, if you're near friends, if you have a good roommate — those are all issues important to people"*

**Kat Sullivan**  
freshman

One of these changes is that upperclassmen can no longer reside in McCandless Hall, Tchakerian said. Instead of choosing any one of the four campus residence halls, students wishing to live in McCandless next year will be placed on a waitlist and will not be informed of their housing placement until the summer.

"McCandless is the building that is most conducive to first-year student needs," Tchakerian said. "We wanted to reserve McCandless for our incoming first years."

Tchakerian said studies suggest that first years generally experience the same types of issues when they first arrive to college, so having all first-year students in the same building allows them to help each other adjust to college life and helps the College better address their needs.

Last year, DRLCS also removed the quota system that was previously used to

fill up rooms in the residence halls and set aside specific rooms for first-year students, Tchakerian said.

While the majority of first-year students will live in McCandless next year, Opus Hall will continue to be open only to seniors. The independent hall offers highly coveted apartment-style doubles and quads to 72 seniors each year, and residents are chosen through a lottery.

Junior Catherine Swanson applied to live in Opus, but her lottery number was not chosen.

"I was definitely frustrated because I realized how few living opportunities are available for seniors," she said. "Even though Annunciata Hall is another option for only seniors, we are at the age where we want to live with less rules and be more independent, like we will be when we graduate."

Both Swanson and Sullivan said the room selection process should be completed electronically to improve efficiency. Sullivan also said the room selection process should be explained more thoroughly to underclassmen prior to selecting rooms.

Tchakerian said DRLCS is aware that some students may be unhappy with their living situation for next year. She suggested alternatives to expressing complaints in order to improve their respective situations, including limiting priorities in terms of room amenities like closet space and overall area.

Tchakerian also said that students who are not satisfied with their hall choice may be placed on a waitlist for their first-choice dorm. She suggested students make the most of their residence hall experience regardless of their individual situations.

"I also encourage them [students] to give the new experience the opportunity to work and to go in with an open mind," Tchakerian said. "A different building, room type or roommate doesn't necessarily mean a bad experience, but it will be a negative experience if that is your mindset."

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# IOSHA

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after the deadline passed Thursday, McFarland said.

University spokesman Dennis Brown said discussions between IOSHA and Notre Dame have been "positive and productive."

"Though the University and IOSHA are near resolution, more time is needed to finalize the agreement," Brown said. "Unfortunately, the timelines imposed by statute required filing the Notice of Contest in order to continue these discussions. As for the specifics of the discussions, we will keep them confidential until there is a final resolution."

McFarland said Notre Dame is already taking the neces-

sary steps to improve safety conditions for its employees. Scissor lifts were removed and replaced with a remote video system at the LaBar Practice Complex before the football team began spring practice March 23.

"These discussions can contribute to their conversations on a safer workplace," McFarland said.

After receiving the results of IOSHA's investigation, McFarland said the University faced three options. Notre Dame could pay the fines and correct the violations initially, meet with the Indiana Board of Safety Review or request an informal conference with IOSHA to discuss the findings of the report.

The University chose to discuss the report informally with IOSHA and began its

conferences on April 1, she said.

"It is highly customary to meet informally with IOSHA to better understand the report," McFarland said.

The citations resulted in fines totaling \$77,500. The six violations include one "knowing" violation, meaning IOSHA found the University knowingly exposed its employees to unsafe conditions. IOSHA also issued five "serious" violations, including failure to properly train student employees in how to operate a scissor lift.

The University will respond to the fines within 45 business days of filing the Notice of Contest or attend a pre-hearing to discuss the charges with a state attorney.

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# Schlink talks legal principles

By JOHN CAMERON  
News Writer

German law professor Bernhard Schlink discussed the principle of proportionality at the Eck School of Law Thursday as part of a forum titled, "Proportionality in Constitutional Law: Why Everywhere but Here?" Schlink is a former judge and author of "The Reader," a novel recently adapted to film in 2008. Proportionality, a principle of legal reasoning that seeks to balance individual rights with government entitlements, presents the legal profession with both a set of tools and a number of challenges, Schlink said.

The forum, sponsored by the Nanovic Institute for European Studies, focused on the degree to which the legal systems around the globe utilize the principle of proportionality in the interpretation of laws.

Schlink said the principle requires analyzing the justification of government intrusion on civil rights based on three criteria.

"In law, the principle of proportionality assumes prominence in those cases where specific laws commanding or prohibiting specific means, or to be more precise, actions that serve as means, are lacking," he said. "If you pursue an end, use a means that is helpful, necessary and appropriate."

Schlink illustrated the principle's applicability through a "classic German law school example" of a lame man seeing a child picking apples from his tree. The lame man's only means of stopping the intrusion is shooting the boy.

"The means of shooting the child down is helpful and necessary to reach the ends of protecting his property," he said. "But we can easily agree that it is not appropriate or in balance."

The legal theory of proportionality originated when German courts limited police discretion in protecting the public, Schlink said.

"The law was understood to give the police wide discretion in fighting dangers of all sorts ... Once the ideas of individual rights began to prevail, the courts started to institute controls over the police," he said. "The police were entitled to use only the means that were necessary and appropriate."

Despite its German origins, Schlink said no especially unique characteristic of German law contributed to the emergence of the principle, which is now prevalent in courts throughout Europe and



German author Bernhard Schlink, second from left, and Law School associate dean Richard Garnett, center, give a lecture Thursday.

much of the world.

"There's nothing inherently German about the roots of the principle of proportionality, nor is the introduction of the principle to the other constitutional contexts a transfer of German principle," he said.

Rather, Schlink said, it is a tool used in dealing with a challenge faced by every legal system.

"The principle is a response to a universal legal problem — once it's understood that the authority's reach is extensive, but also limited, without specifying the limits, the principle of proportionality serves as an instrument to reconcile the lack of clearly defined limitations of government legal authority, he said.

Schlink said the principle is flawed.

"The first problem is that of insufficient or ambiguous information. It is sometimes impossible to determine whether the means works and whether it is necessary," he said. "The balance of rights, interests and values entailed in the analysis of appropriateness is unavoidably subjective."

Richard Garnett, associate dean of the Law School and professor of law, said the principle is prevalent in American law, but it is less explicit than it is in European law.

"There's a tendency not to use the word 'proportion' in American constitutional law," Garnett said. "But it's everywhere, just the same."

While many American laws may seem absolute, such as the First Amendment right to free speech, Garnett said proportionality affects the flexibility with which the legal system defines "speech."

"We kind of cheat. If we have it in our head that this is an instance where the government should be permitted to act, we often simply declare that what's being regulated isn't actually the freedom of speech," he said. "It's obscenity, it's incitement, it's defamation."

Notre Dame Law Professor Emeritus Donald Kommers praised the principle's flexibility.

"If competing principles are involved [in the German system], they must not only be reconciled, but optimized," he said. "This kind of balancing is not in the American Supreme Court's toolkit."

Kommers said the principle allows the legal system to honor several competing, but valid, values.

"This is not a zero-sum game, as it often is in the American situation," he said.

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## Debate

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gations. These obligations reflect His essential character."

Craig also said that if God did not exist, humans would not believe they have moral obligations to do anything.

Conversely, Harris said religion actually provides a source of moral blindness, and religious explanations for morality are not permanent because religion itself cannot last forever.

"Morality and human values can be understood through science," he said. "All we can do is appeal to scientific values."

Craig said an atheistic approach to morality inherently involves a lack of a defined authority that provides humans with moral obligations.

"It [atheism] is bereft of foundations to establish moral life," he said. "Moral duties are very

obviously grounded in divine commands."

Harris argued that belief in God is the epitome of narcissism and that Christianity constitutes a cult of human sacrifice.

"This kind of faith is obscene," he said. "The true horror of religion is that it allows perfectly decent and sane people to believe by the millions something that only lunatics would."

Harris said science does not lead humans to lie to themselves about the nature of reality and morality in the way that religion does.

"What my argument entails is that we can speak objectively about a certain class of subjective facts that go by the name of morality," he said. "The real challenge is a world where the maximum number of people truly flourish."

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**Coffee House**  
7pm-9pm Geddes Hall

APRIL  
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**Ally Pledge Signing & Day of Silence Card Distribution**  
11:30am-1:30pm SDH & LaFortune  
**The Laramie Project (Film)** 7pm-9pm  
Montgomery Auditorium LaFortune Student Center

APRIL  
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**FREE Tee Shirt Distribution • 11:30am-1:30pm**  
Fieldhouse Mall  
**Sarah Brooks (ND'03) NYC Anti-Violence Project**  
Counselor & Advocate • 7pm-9pm Andrews Auditorium  
Geddes Hall Presentation and student panel discussion

APRIL  
14

**An Evening with Judy Shepard**  
7pm-9pm 101 DeBartolo Hall  
*Judy's son, Matthew Shepard, was murdered in an anti-gay hate crime. A National speaker, Judy Shepard urges an end to anti-gay violence while promoting a greater understanding of gay concerns.*

APRIL  
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**STAND AGAINST HATE**  
**Ally Pledge Signing & Day of Silence Card Distribution**  
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# Judge spares ex-House aide from prison time

Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A judge on Thursday spared from prison time a former congressional aide involved in the Jack Abramoff lobbying scandal and questioned why lawmakers were able to avoid prosecution while their staffers are paying the price for influence-peddling schemes.

U.S. District Judge Ellen Segal Huvelle rejected prosecutors' recommendation that the top aide to former Oklahoma Republican Rep. Ernest Istook spend more than two years behind bars. Istook's former chief of staff John Albaugh admitted helping steer funding to Abramoff's clients after his firm helped raise campaign donations for Istook.

Instead, Huvelle sentenced Albaugh to five years' probation and four months in a halfway house in his adopted hometown of Colorado Springs, Colo., where he works for a nonprofit called Morning Star Development. She said a fine and community service weren't necessary after Albaugh, a father of three who once made six figures on Capitol Hill, told Huvelle he made \$24,000 last year helping the group that provides aide in Afghanistan with fundraising and communications.

Albaugh told Huvelle it pains him deeply to think about the "corrupt" methods he used to try to help Istook's career ambitions. He said Istook told him he wanted to run for the Senate and they discussed how they would need to raise a lot of money for such a bid. Albaugh said lobbyists were an obvious source of funding and that the Abramoff team was particularly aggressive, raising tens of thousands of dollars and using the firm's luxury boxes to host fundraisers for Istook.

Albaugh said of the many funding requests that would come in from lobbyists, he would winnow down the list to those who had raised money for his boss, chair of the subcommittee on transportation funding. He said he presented the list to the congressman for insertion in the appropriations bill. He said the list didn't have to include the amounts the lobbyists raised. "He knows who his contributors are," Albaugh said.

Istook was under investigation in the scandal — Albaugh even secretly recorded their conversations at the request of federal agents. But prosecutor Nathaniel Edmonds declined to answer Huvelle's question about why charges were never filed against Istook. The judge said she was concerned that "higher ups" had walked away.

Istook left Congress in 2006 for a gubernatorial campaign that proved unsuccessful. Now a distinguished fellow at The Heritage Foundation think tank, he said Thursday in an email to The Associated Press that he had told Albaugh in writing that he would not work from the list his aide had provided and wouldn't consider requests based on lobbyists or contributors.

"Instead, as I told him, I

would work from lists showing only requests received from members of Congress. Multiple times I made it clear that I would not base any legislative decisions on campaign contributions — and I never did," Istook said in the statement. "I shared this information with the FBI when they contacted me, which was almost three years ago." He later changed the statement to say he shared the information "after" rather than "when" the FBI contacted him.

Istook added: "John Albaugh was entrusted with making recommendations and with compiling legislation from my decisions. I regret that he misplaced his priorities in exercising that trust. He mistakenly may have thought that somehow he was helping me politically, but he was not."

Former Rep. Bob Ney, R-Ohio, was the only lawmaker charged in the scandal although others, including former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas; former Reps. John Doolittle, R-Calif., and J.D. Hayworth, R-Ariz.; and former Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont., were investigated.

"There are three or four congressmen out there that will never see the light of day for actions, and we're blaming the staffers," Huvelle said. "The people that really benefited from this scheme, with one exception, aren't the people in front of me."

Edmonds argued that Albaugh helped Abramoff's clients get \$14 million in taxpayer dollars in violation of the principles of a functioning democracy where funding projects should be based on merit. He told Huvelle to think of his sentencing as she would in a drug case. "Just because you don't get the kingpin doesn't mean you don't sentence the second in command," Edmonds said.

Albaugh pleaded guilty to a conspiracy to defraud the House in 2008 and agreed to cooperate with prosecutors. But Edmonds asked Huvelle to rule that he breached the plea agreement by recanting his testimony against a lobbyist who worked for Abramoff and sentence him to 27 months.

Albaugh had been the leading witness in a 2009 trial against Abramoff associate Kevin Ring. Albaugh testified that he did favors for Abramoff's firm in part because Ring took him out to restaurants and gave him tickets to performances including George Strait, Tim McGraw, Disney on Ice and The Wiggles.

The jury could not agree on whether Ring was guilty and Huvelle declared a mistrial. When prosecutors tried Ring again in 2010, Albaugh said he no longer felt he was motivated by the meals and tickets but because Abramoff's firm was raising so much money for Istook's campaign fund.

Prosecutors decided not to call Albaugh to testify again after his change of heart, but instead used his emails with Ring as evidence they conspired together. Huvelle pointed out that didn't hurt their case — Ring was convicted the second time.

# Gingrich anticipates shutdown



AP

Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich talks to reporters on Capitol Hill in 1995. Gingrich was the face of the last government shutdown, and he is using the current budget crisis to his advantage.

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Newt Gingrich was the face of the last federal government shutdown, the fiery House speaker who led his Republican revolution headlong into a confrontation with a Democratic president.

Now, 15 years later and with another federal shutdown looming, Gingrich is trying to use the budget crisis in Washington to his advantage and, perhaps, rewrite history as he embarks on a presidential campaign.

"The lesson for today's House Republicans is simple: Work to keep the government open, unless it requires breaking your word to the American people and giving up your principles," Gingrich wrote in a recent newspaper column that detailed his rosy version of the 1990s budget fights. He urged the GOP majority in the House to force President Barack Obama either to accept a bill with deep spending cuts or veto it, even if that leads to a shutdown.

It was a message that Gingrich delivered personally last week when he popped up on Capitol

Hill to meet with GOP House freshmen, casting himself as a sage veteran of the budget wars to a new generation of rabble-rousers. A number of them are tea party adherents pushing for the deep spending cuts that have tied budget negotiators in knots. Without an agreement, the government could shut down on Friday.

"It's good for us to hear from someone who's been there," said Rep. Austin Scott, a Georgian who is president of the new GOP class. "There's a lot of respect for Newt in that room."

Among other things, a shutdown would delay pay to military troops, slow the processing of tax returns, cancel Washington's National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade and close national parks across the country.

The talk of a shutdown comes with both political peril and opportunity for Gingrich. It stirs memories of a showdown that ultimately was seen as having disastrous political consequences for him and his House Republicans. But it also could endear Gingrich to tea party ideologues who favor smaller government, less spend-

ing and, maybe most of all, standing firm against compromise.

On a broader level, it highlights an ongoing challenge for Gingrich: To run as the battle-tested candidate of experience, he must embrace his legacy, warts and all.

Gingrich rose to power following the 1994 elections, when Republicans took control of the House as the country delivered a sharp rebuke to a first-term president, Bill Clinton. Over the next two years, the new House speaker led the party in a confrontation over spending with Clinton that resulted in two government shutdowns.

The work stoppages inconvenienced millions of people. Hundreds of thousands of federal workers were furloughed. National parks closed. Health and financial services were delayed for military veterans. And thousands of applications for foreigners for U.S. visas went unprocessed every day the shutdowns lasted. The first, in November 1995, lasted six days, and was followed by a 21-day closure that ran from late December into the new year.

# Kansan threatens abortion doctor

Associated Press

WICHITA, Kan. — The Justice Department filed a civil complaint Thursday against a Kansas woman accused of sending a threatening letter to a doctor who plans to do abortions in Wichita.

Documents filed in U.S. District Court allege Angel Dillard, 44, of Valley Center, violated the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act when she mailed a letter to Dr. Mila Means after learning the physician was training to offer abortion services at her Wichita practice.

The lawsuit contends the 44-year-old Valley Center Woman told Means in her letter that thousands of people from across the United States are already looking into her background.

"They will know your habits and routines. They know where you shop, who your friends are, what you drive, where you live," the letter said. "You will be checking under your car every day — because maybe today is the day someone places an explosive under it."

Abortions have not been performed in Wichita since Dr. George Tiller, one of the nation's few late-term abortion providers, was fatally shot in May 2009 by anti-abortion

activist Scott Roeder as the physician served as an usher at his Wichita church.

Her purported letter to Means references the slain abortion provider: "If Tiller could speak from hell, he would tell you what a soulless existence you are purposefully considering, all in the name of greed."

The letter was signed by Dillard and sent in an envelope with a pre-printed return address sticker with the defendant's name and address, court documents show.

The lawsuit, filed by the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, also seeks a court order keeping Dillard from contacting the doctor or coming within 250 of the doctor, her home, car or business. It also seeks damages of \$5,000 to Means and a civil penalty of \$15,000.

"The murder of Dr. George Tiller brought home to many of us the terrible potential for violence and the need to use every legal means at our disposal to prevent it," U.S. Attorney Barry Grissom said in a news release.

Protecting the right of reproductive health services providers to do their jobs free from threats is of the "utmost importance," said Thomas Perez, assistant attorney general for the Civil

Rights Division.

Dillard, a Christian songwriter, did not immediately return a message left Thursday at her home.

But Dillard told The Associated Press in a July 2009 interview that she reached out to Roeder while he was in awaiting trial for Tiller's killing and developed a friendship with him.

"Quite honestly, as soon as I heard about it, I realized that he was able to accomplish what those of us in the pro-life movement had not been able to accomplish — we put millions of man hours in, protested, millions of dollars, attempts at legislation — and we were butting our heads up against the wall. We were not getting anywhere."

She told AP she believed Tiller would never be convicted of any crimes.

"With one move, (Roeder) was able ... to accomplish what we had not been able to do," Dillard said. "So he followed his convictions and I admire that."

She said at the time that she had been questioned several times by the FBI since striking up a friendship with Roeder following Tiller's death, but she and her husband have no plans to "do anything of violence to anyone."



## INSIDE COLUMN

### My secret love affair

Two weeks ago, I fell in love. I'm talking head over heels, hit one out of the park in love.

He's a really great guy. Just last week, he came over and visited me twice. Once, he even came to the library for me.

He always comes over when I call him, and he's prompt. It only takes him about ten minutes to get here. He even calls to tell me when he's on his way.

What's best about him? He makes me sandwiches.

Actually, you all might know him.

He's pretty popular on campus. Women love him, and I've heard many men say they do too (straight up bromance). His name is James, or some call him Jimmy — Jimmy John.

That's right ... two weeks ago I discovered my love for Jimmy John's.

It wasn't the first time we had met, by any means. But I'm not much for that love at first sight thing.

It was Biology that brought us together. I had a huge test that demanded every second of my dinnertime to study. I panicked because I knew I needed some brain fuel, but then I remembered my sandwich-making friends.

John, Rob — whatever the delivery boy's generic guy's name was — actually came into the building to deliver my sandwich. It didn't occur to him that I would be one of about a hundred girls in the library. This sure didn't help the awkwardness.

I tried to be as discreet as I could. The library was extra quiet that day, and there I was, ordering a Jimmy John's in the one place devoted to study, quiet and academia. My goal was to be stealthy, but this delivery kid blew my cover. He asked every female he saw if she was the Caitlin that ordered a sandwich.

Somehow, he had slipped past my radar and already caused a ruckus. I quickly handed him my \$6 without looking at him directly in the face, and I hid the sandwich in my purse. I had to pass the reference librarians — I knew they would all judge, because I possessed the one thing in the world that could cover their floors with lettuce shavings, mayo and bean sprouts.

Then I wondered, "Was I even allowed to have food in the library?" I didn't care. I was one sticker away from unwrapping my little piece of heaven — a number 12 beach club (no avocado).

I proceeded to unwrap the sandwich ... bad idea. Could Jimmy John's make packaging any noisier? The answer is no. Five things stood between me and my love: two staples, one bag, one sticker and the noisiest wrapping ever.

I tenderly separated each staple from the bag by hand, gently folded back the top and realized that trying to be quiet was only making matters worse.

So, I did it. I tore right in and didn't care who judged. It was worth it.

My love affair has a happy ending. I was not asked to leave, and they didn't take my book checking abilities away from me. My possible run-in with the library law only made my sandwich that much tastier. It was a smuggled good.

So here's to Jimmy John's and the ultimate form of product placement in yet another form of news media. Until we meet again, Jimmy, stay fresh.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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## We, as a community, need to talk amid tough times and tough topics

Over the last two weeks, these Viewpoint pages have been filled with letters arguing the merits of no-meat Lenten Fridays as well as the pros and cons of wearing leggings.

These two arguments have sparked light-hearted debate across campus.

Last night, before hundreds of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, two renowned theologians debated, "Is good from God?" This coming Wednesday, again before hundreds of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, four heavyweights in the national education realm will discuss what they consider a failing educational system.

Last night's debate sparked legitimate, serious discussions among students. Next week's will undoubtedly have a similar effect.

Both lighthearted and serious rhetoric have an important place in our lives. As members of a college campus, we find ourselves in the unique position crossing the line between adolescence and adulthood. This position allows us, as a campus, as a community, to discuss both casual and serious topics.

Yet, in the past two weeks, as a campus, as a community, we have passed on the opportunity to discuss two personal topics, topics that have stunned our campus, our community.

In the March 30 issue of The Observer, a Saint Mary's student wrote a Letter to the Editor discussing her personal history of multiple sexual assaults. One week ago today, we all learned of the self-inflicted death of sophomore Sean Valero.

The Observer's Viewpoint section is by no means the perfect litmus test, but nonetheless, in the last two weeks a total of three Letters to the Editor have been submitted acknowledging the two tragedies. One, a letter from the Committee on Sexual Assault Prevention printed April 1, urged sexual assault victims to know they are not alone. The second, "A community that listens," printed April 6, urged anyone suffering from mental instability to seek help and support. The

third, "Remembering Sean Valero," printed April 7, asked students to take some time to think about the loss of one of our peers.

Three letters in two weeks. While these letters were well-intentioned and very much appreciated, none of them directly addressed the issues at hand.

The silence is not simply in these pages. The silence fills the dining halls, amid discussions of no-meat Lenten Fridays. The silence fills the hallways of DeBartolo, as leggings pass jeans and jeans pass leggings. The silence fills our campus.

For many of us, our stance on sexual assault is a combination of feeling helpless and detached. Until it strikes closer to home, it is simply easier to push it to the back of our minds and pretend sexual assault does not happen.

For many of us, we are still inexperienced at facing the travesty of the death of a peer. Quite frankly, we are not sure how to handle it.

Perhaps talking, together, is the best way in both instances.

This is not a call to end sexual assault or prevent suicide — though both would certainly be ideal. Rather, this is a call to acknowledge them, break the silence and discuss them.

Are we not mature enough to discuss how and why sexual assault happens on our own campus? The discussion about whether females wearing leggings symbolizes their own self-respect simply skirts the greater issue at hand.

Let's take the next step.

Are we not mature enough to discuss how and why one of our peers committed suicide, even though a discussion debating if good comes from God could very easily, and possibly should, tie in to such a grave topic?

Let's take the next step.

We are, as a campus and as a community, together, mature enough. So let's discuss. Let's talk. Let's take the next step.

## THE OBSERVER Editorial

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There is always some madness in love. But there is also always some reason in madness."

Friedrich Nietzsche  
German philosopher

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you."

Diana Spencer  
Princess of Wales



# Geraldine Ferraro: a champion for women

The Notre Dame women’s basketball team — runners-up in this year’s collegiate varsity level national championship competition — owe their opportunity and global audience to women like Geraldine Ferraro, who recently passed away after a 12-year battle against multiple myeloma. Born into an Italian immigrant family, she grew up with her mother in the tough-acting New York neighborhoods of the Bronx and Queens during a time when women struggled for political, economic and social equality. Her successful law-and-order campaign slogan characterized her succinctly: “Finally, a Tough Democrat!”

This writer knew of her through her son, John, who played one summer on the coed softball team I coached on Capitol Hill. Aptly named “Yellow Journalists,” our team consisted of press secretaries. One of our players, a press secretary turned lobbyist with close ties to Ferraro, introduced John to our team. Ironically, it was this same lobbyist — turned alcoholic by the nature of her industry — whose serious drunk-driving collision unveiled to me Ferraro’s personal compassion.

Ferraro began her public career as an



Gary Caruso  
*Capitol Comments*

assistant district attorney in Queens heading a new Special Victims Bureau. When she first ran for congress in 1978, universities were completing a three-year transition to fully comply with Title IX regulations that ensured equality for both women and men in all scholastic activities at schools receiving federal funding. At that time, Ferraro stood strong for women’s equality and that carried over to her congressional career.

Ferraro described herself as a “small ‘c’ conservative” later turned moderate. Through the Congressional Caucus for Women’s Issues, Ferraro helped lead the successful battle to pass the Economic Equity Act, a law ending discrimination against women’s salaries and pensions. She authored sections that reformed private pensions and increased retirement savings options for the elderly. As a Catholic, her pro-choice stance conflicted with her Church and many constituents. However, other social and foreign policy positions stayed in sync with her district. She supported Reagan policies that deployed the Pershing II missile and the Trident submarine, as well as broke with her party to support an anti-busing amendment to the Constitution.

It is difficult today to recall the enormity of Ferraro’s accomplishments a generation ago. Just last presidential election, our contenders included a woman and an African-American. In fact, Ferraro herself never denied that her sex was the essential factor in her selection as a vice

presidential candidate. Yet, ironically, only once during the 1984 election season did Ronald Reagan trail Walter Mondale in the polls — the day following and a handful of days beyond Ferraro’s selection.

Having witnessed her personal compassion for my lobbyist friend, I know of her passion to help others. Having worked in Congress while she served, I know of her dedication to equality and her commitment to inspire future generations. It is best to pay homage to her memory by simply recalling eloquent words she spoke when accepting the Democratic vice presidential nomination.

“America is the land where dreams can come true for all of us. Tonight, the daughter of working Americans tells all Americans that the future is within our reach — if we’re willing to reach for it. The daughter of a woman whose highest goal was a future for her children talks about a future for us all.

“Our faith that we can shape a better future is what the American dream is all about. The promise of our country is that the rules are fair. If you work hard and play by the rules, you can earn your share of America’s blessings...Tonight, we reclaim our dream.

“It isn’t right that this year Ronald Reagan will hand the American people a bill for interest on the national debt larger than the entire cost of the federal government under John F. Kennedy. Our parents left us a growing economy. The

rules say: We must not leave our kids a mountain of debt.

“It isn’t right that a woman should get paid 59 cents on the dollar for the same work as a man. If you play by the rules, you deserve a fair day’s pay for a fair day’s work.

“It isn’t right that — if trends continue — by the year 2000 nearly all of the poor people in America will be women and children. The rules of a decent society say, when you distribute sacrifice in times of austerity, you don’t put women and children first.

“By choosing a woman to run for our nation’s second highest office, you sent a powerful signal to all Americans. There are no doors we cannot unlock. We will place no limits on achievement.

“If we can do this, we can do anything.

“My mother did not break faith with me...and I will not break faith with you. To all the children of America, I say: The generation before ours kept faith with us, and like them, we will pass on to you a stronger, more just America.”

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Why you should go to the opera next week

When asked to name a composer of classical music, even the most benighted among us could name Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. But aside from a collection of sound bites in television commercials or a sonata you were forced to play during your childhood years in piano lessons, you probably have not had much direct contact with the great composer. Perhaps you have just never listened to much classical music, or worse, you find it boring. Many people do claim to enjoy Mozart, but sadly his music remains trapped as background noise to study sessions. Even music majors I know seem somewhat disinterested in Mozart, citing his effervescence as tiring fireworks and preferring the wider harmonic variety of later 19th and 20th century composers to Mozart’s simpler tonal palette. These criticisms I do not understand, for when I hear Mozart, the walls of my dorm seem to recede and I need do nothing more than close my eyes and be carried away by the defiant playfulness and absolute sublimity of his music.

I write this letter because next week Notre Dame’s music department will present Mozart’s *Le nozze di Figaro* (The Marriage of Figaro) in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. If you have never been to an opera before, I urge you to go. Figaro is a brilliant comedy which will certainly make you laugh. But for those moments when you are not laughing, you will be touched by Mozart’s poignant illumination of the human condition.

When I wake up on the worst of days, those days when I wish I could stay in bed, lest I face a multitude of disappointments and failures, I pause and thank God that he gave the world a Mozart and that I may be so lucky as to have heard his music. Of Mozart’s music, a well-known scientist once said that it “was so pure that it seemed to have been ever-present in the universe, waiting to be discovered by the master.” I can do little to improve the words of Albert Einstein.

Edward Jacobson  
sophomore  
O’Neill Hall  
Apr. 6

### Clothing has meaning

Dear Anne (“Bold, risqué, leggings as pants,” (Apr. 6),

You’re right. That girl probably didn’t think how best to disrespect herself when she made her clothing selection on the day she had that fateful encounter with Kevin Brainard. However, I’m sure she thought something.

Consider the following scenarios. First, you’re in the dining hall and see someone dressed in a t-shirt and sweatpants. You might guess from that attire and their slightly tousled hair that this person just woke up. Second, you’re heading to the stadium on a home football day and see another student wearing one of those infamous “Muck Fichigan” shirts. You’d probably assume that this particular student doesn’t care too much for our opponent at that day’s game. Third, you’re on your way to class and see someone dressed in a suit and tie. Since it’s Thursday morning, they must be on their way to an interview. In all of these scenarios, you made a judgment about someone based on their clothing. How dare you?

Actually, in many cases you’d be perfectly justified in making assumptions about someone based on their clothing. After all, many different groups of people have signature outfits or uniforms designed to easily identify their members. Ours is a visual culture, and we get most of our information from visual shorthand. From bathroom signs to the crucifix, visual cues give us all kinds of information. The perhaps unfortunate truth is that in our culture, revealing clothing is a sign of “sexiness” or promiscuity.

Before you accuse me of facilitating sexual assault, let me clarify my point further. Everyone has the right to wear whatever clothing they see fit. You also have the responsibility to be cognizant of the messages that clothing may send, and others have the right to interpret those messages in whatever way makes sense to them. That said, this right does not extend to physical action. Unwanted advances in any form, be it verbal, physical or otherwise, are always unacceptable. Being at fault is not the same thing as understanding how dressing a certain way may attract unwanted attention from unscrupulous individuals.

Matt Kaufmann  
senior  
Keenan Hall  
Apr. 7

### Hell week

It’s hell week. Yes, that dreaded week when EVERYTHING EVER is due. You don’t sleep for days and you’re convinced you’ve actually become the owner of a desk in the library since you’re there so often. As a senior, this is just one of the many hell weeks I’ve been through in my four years and I’ll be the first to admit I hate them. There’s no better way to become a negative Nancy than sitting through multiple exams, writing countless pages of lab reports or spending days on citations for papers.

However, seeing as this is likely my last hell week and I’m obligated as a senior to be nostalgic and aware of the end of my undergraduate career, I’ve come to two big conclusions about hell weeks. Firstly, it is at this time that you really lean on your support system. Whether it’s your mother calling your phone to make sure you’re awake at 6:30 a.m. or a roommate bringing you your favorite hot beverage in the library, your support system goes into hyperdrive. The second of which is that they

have little to no lasting impact — your grades don’t drop, you don’t usually get sick and all you need is some extra sleep.

While it’s difficult to see beyond that next test, I hope you can take a bit of time to see how hell week fits in the big picture. Appreciate your family, friends and classmates, as they lift you up when you need it most. Try not to worry: it’s bad for your immune system and doesn’t help anything. Take a few minutes to appreciate that you could have hell week anywhere in the world, but we’re lucky enough to have it at Notre Dame, in majors we love. Finally, own that hell week. It’s yours for the taking.

Maureen Williams  
senior  
off-campus  
Apr. 6





By ADRIANA PRATT  
Scene Writer

Make sure you're nice to your freshmen dorm mates, because they might just become your lifelong career partners. At least, that's what happened to Jerry DePizzo, saxophonist and backup vocalist for O.A.R. (Of a Revolution), the revolutionary rock band performing at tonight's S.U.B. concert.

DePizzo met his fellow band mates, Marc Roberge (vocals, guitar), Chris Culos (drums, percussion), Richard On, (guitar, backing vocals) and Benj Gershman (bass guitar) at Ohio State in 1997. His four co-musicians formed O.A.R. a few years before college and were what DePizzo called "that band that everybody knew in high school that actually got out of the garage and did bigger and better things."

DePizzo hung out with the band in the dorm and at parties, and eventually became an official O.A.R. member in 2000. O.A.R.'s popularity grew on the college scene, as the band made the rounds and gained a cult following amongst their peers.

"We played anything and everything. We played fraternity parties, sports and club parties, we threw our own parties ... really anything. We were young guys, 19 years old. All we wanted to do was go out and play music," DePizzo said in an interview Tuesday with The Observer.

Their rise to success was steady and hit a particularly high note when the band sold out a Madison Square Garden show in 2006. For DePizzo, though, one of the greatest successes of his career was the moment he could quit his wait staff job and become a full-time musician.

"I was playing in the band, I was in college, I held down a nine to five job waiting tables and playing music as well. And it got to the point where one had to go. You know, fortunately we were able to go out and tour and earn some money so I didn't have to go out and wait tables anymore," DePizzo said. "So in January 2000, I remember walking into the restaurant where I worked and I told them, 'You know what? I'm going out and playing gigs with my buddies and I don't really need to come back anymore.' And that was the last square job that I had."

Other successes greeted O.A.R. as their audience transformed from a group of college fans to a national following. "Hey Girl," "Love and Memories" and "This Town" ranked on national charts and their song "Shattered," released in 2008 off the album "All Sides," landed on VH1's Top 40 Videos for the year.

DePizzo might be enjoying the life of a successful musician now, but there's one regret he has about the path that took him to fame.

"My biggest fear was that I wouldn't graduate [from college]. And that came true. But it was just finding the right opportunity at the right time, and that's kind of what I went to school for. Granted, I really wish I would have graduated and completely finished. You know, but you go for an education and it's not always in the classroom. And that's the one I got."

Being a professional musician is not exactly what he envisioned as a little kid, but he knew being in a band was his calling and hasn't stopped working for that goal since.

"It's always a little bit different than

what you think it's going to be when you're sitting in your room as a 14-year-old looking at magazines of rock stars and musicians and stuff. But I'll tell you what. I am fortunate. There's a hell of a lot of ways to make a living and our deal is fun."

O.A.R. continues to evolve as a band and hopes to release their newest album before their summer tour begins. It's been three years since their last release and DePizzo said the band is ready to get their new music out there.

"This new record certainly reflects a couple years of hard work and a lot of effort. The reason why it's taken so long is because we want it to be really good ... There's going to be something for everybody on this record and we're really proud of it."

The band is excited to play at Notre Dame tonight and even said they will probably tweet about the event. In fact, DePizzo is a secret fan of Notre Dame athletics, even though he's a Buckeye.

"I didn't go to Notre Dame but I grew up in a Roman Catholic family in Youngstown, Ohio, so I have a Notre Dame football and a jersey and a Notre Dame pennant over my crib."

"Even now my 85-year-old grandmother will call me on Saturday sometimes to talk about Notre Dame football. 'What do you think about Brian Kelly? I think he's great for the program.' You know, stuff like that ... It's nice to go to Notre Dame. I can call my old man and tell him I finally made it, even though I'm not going there ... We're looking forward to this weekend."

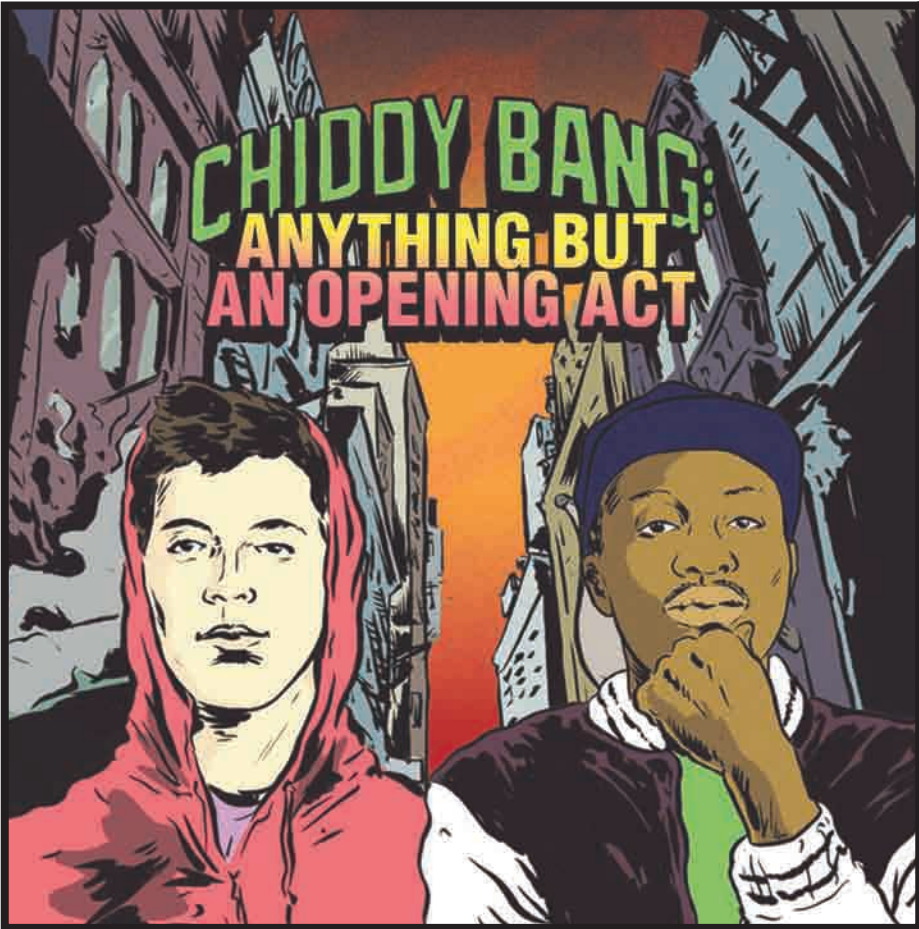
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## Facts about Jerry DePizzo

- Favorite YouTube Video:**  
"I was watching this YouTube of this guy doing this George Michael tune in random places. It's actually pretty damn funny."
- Most embarrassing song on DePizzo's Ipod:**  
"Careless Whisper' by George Michael is probably one of the...uh...softer songs I have on my iPod right now."
- Current music he's listening to:**  
Bruno Mars, Adele
- Favorite Band he's toured with:**  
Jack's Mannequin, Virginia Coalition, Matt Nathanson, Dave Matthews Band

## On campus

**What:**O.A.R. and Chiddy Bang Concert  
**Where:** Stepan Center  
**When:** Friday, April 8, 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.  
**How much:** \$15  
**Learn more:** sub.nd.edu



By KEVIN NOONAN  
Scene Writer

One of hip-hop's fast-rising stars, Chiddy Bang, comes to South Bend tonight to join O.A.R. in S.U.B.'s annual spring concert. Though some may be more inclined to see O.A.R., considering they have been around longer, but Chiddy Bang can't be dismissed as simply an opening act.

The band formed in 2008, when its two members, Chidera "Chiddy" Anamege and Noah "Xaphoon Jones" Beresin met at Drexel University. The pair was soon featured on the music blog Pretty Much Amazing. They released their debut mixtape, "The Swelly Express," in early 2009 to underground success and acclaim.

One song in particular, "Opposite of Adults," became a widespread internet hit, and its inventive sample of MGMT's "Kids" can be heard at parties on college campuses around the country.

The song is a good example of the unique style that Chiddy Bang brings to the hip-hop world. As the producer/DJ of the group, Beresin blends indie-rock elements with electronica and combines them with his artful skill at sampling, allowing Anamege, the MC of the group, to do what he calls some "good ole fashioned spitting" over the creative tracks.

As Chiddy Bang's mixtape continued to gain acclaim, the band performed at college campuses across the country, earning them a large fan base. This fame caught the attention of some serious players in the music business, namely Kanye West, who featured the band on his blog, and EMI Records, who signed the group to a record deal in 2010.

The band's first release, "The Preview," is not meant as a full-length album, but rather, as the title implies, a preview to their debut. That said, the record not only shows great promise, but also is in and of itself fantastic. Outside the well-known "Opposite of Adults," tracks such as "Truth" and "All Things Go" show Beresin's fantastic talent at sampling and mixing music and Anamege's incredible abilities in the depth and delivery of his lyrics.

Their debut album, "Breakfast," is due out in early summer of this year. In the meantime, the band is about to set off on a major U.S. tour. Friday night, Notre Dame students may be able to witness one of Chiddy Bang's final shows before fully becoming mainstream. Add this in with the band's reputation for exciting college campus shows, and the student body is in for a once in a lifetime performance.

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## Bret Michaels gets his rock on at Club Fever



By **CLAIRE STEPHENS**  
Scene Writer

This Sunday Club Fever hosts Bret Michaels, lead singer of the glam metal band Poison and star of the VH1 reality show Rock of Love with Bret Michaels.

Michaels' musical career began in his teens as a guitarist. Along with a bass player and another guitarist, he became a lead member of the band Paris. The band played in Pennsylvania bars in the early 1980s before moving to Los Angeles and changing the band's name to Poison.

In addition to being the lead singer, Michaels was the songwriter for Poison for 22 years. The band has sold 25 million records and 15 Top 40 singles. Some of the band's most famous hits include "Talk Dirty to Me," "Something to Believe In," "Nothing But a Good Time" and the famous heartbreak hit, "Every Rose Has Its Thorn."

Poison became one of the biggest glam bands in the world in the 1980s and 1990s. Their first album, "Look What the Cat Dragged In," was followed up with "Open Up and Say ... Ahh!" and "Flesh and Blood," both multi-platinum albums. Guitarist C.C. Deville left the band

after a fist-fight with Michaels during the 1991 MTV Video Music Awards. The band reunited with Deville in 1999 for a greatest hits reunion tour.

Poison's music made a presence in 2000s cinema in the movies "Mr. and Mrs. Smith," "Grandma's Boy" and "Deuce Bigelow — European Gigolo." In 2006 they released the "20 Years of Rock" CD and "Poison'D" in 2007, an album of cover songs that have inspired the band members.

Before beginning a solo musical career in the 2000s, Michaels created a film production company with Charlie Sheen. Michaels wrote, directed and starred in films such as "A Letter from Death Row," which he co-produced as an executive with Sheen.

Michaels also made appearances on television shows like "Yes Dear," "Martial Law" and "The Chris Issak Show." He has also appeared as co-host of "Access Hollywood," was a judge on "Nashville Star" and won "Celebrity Apprentice 3." VH1's "Rock of Love with Bret Michaels" became VH1's highest rated series on VH1 and has extended into a third installment, "Rock of Love Bus."

His solo albums include "Songs of

Life," "Freedom of Sound" and his current release "Rock My World." Michaels has said "I would play music whether I made it or not."

The personal life of Michaels is perhaps the most controversial and well-known aspect of his fame. Michaels admitted he had Type 1 Diabetes after collapsing on stage in 1987, suffered tension with guitarist Deville over their mutual drug use and survived a near fatal car crash in 1994. Last year he was rushed to the hospital for an emergency appendectomy and was later diagnosed with patent foramen ovale.

A 16-year-old Tracey Lewis was the inspiration for "Every Rose Has Its Thorns." It was written after their breakup.

Despite choosing a new winner in each season of "Rock of Love," he has mentioned the idea of a fourth season.

"Now they want me to come back for a fourth 'Rock of Love,' Michaels said. "I feel that it should be something that changes up, but I still want that fun element. What you see is what you get with me."

Michael's "Get Your Rock on Tour" has taken him through Iowa and has sold out in Michigan. The rest of Michael's schedule is filled

with appearances across the country with Poison and Motley Crue.

Tickets are available at the following locations: Club Fever, Backstage Grill Restaurant, Audio Specialists/South Bend, Orbit Music/Mishawaka, Karma Records/Plymouth & Warsaw, Morris Performing Arts Center Box Office (574-235-9190 or [www.morriscenter.org](http://www.morriscenter.org)) and all Ticketmaster locations, including SuperSounds/Elkhart and [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

Reservations are available at the Backstage Grill before the show at 574-232-0222. Tickets are \$45 in advance and \$49 on the day of the show. Doors open at 6:30 PM and the show starts at 7:30 p.m.

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### Around the Bend

What: Bret Michaels Concert  
Where: Club Fever, South Bend, IN  
When: Sunday, April 10, 7:30 p.m.  
How much: \$45 in advance, \$49 at the door  
Learn more: [clubfever.biz](http://clubfever.biz)

## "Your Highness" quests for box office gold



By **ANKUR CHAWLA**  
Scene Writer

Natalie Portman and James Franco team up with classic funnyman and writer Danny McBride ("Tropic Thunder," "Pineapple Express") for this epic tale of adventure set in the middle ages. Portman, a 2011 Oscar winner, and Franco, a nominee, are sure to be just as incredible in this legendary movie.

Thadeous (McBride) and his older brother Fabious (Franco) are two princes on a daring mission to save their land before their kingdom is destroyed. Spending his life watching Fabious embark on valiant journeys, Thadeous settled for easy maidens, ale, and wizard's weed. However, when Fabious' fiancée Belladonna (Zooey Deschanel, "(500) Days of Summer") gets kidnapped by the evil wizard Leezar (Justin Theroux, "American Psycho"), Thadeous must man-up and be a hero.

As he half-heartedly ventures off on his first quest, Thadeous treks across perilous outlands to free the princess. Joined by Isabel (Portman), an elusive warrior with a dangerous agenda of her own, the two brothers must vanquish horrific creatures and traitorous knights on their way to saving Belladonna.

If Thadeous can lay off the pipe and be a hero with his brother, the trio could prevent the destruction of their land. If he stays a slacker, not only does he die a coward, he will be the sole reason of a new Dark Age.

The heavy-hitting Hollywood cast will undoubtedly provide an entertaining performance and a sure hit. For more information and to watch the trailer, check out <http://www.yourhighness-movie.net> Look for my review of "Your Highness" sometime next week.

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PGA

Youth dominates in 1st round of Masters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The flair of Rory McIlroy. The sheer power of Alvaro Quiros. These are but two of the fresh faces in golf who offered more evidence Thursday at the Masters that a new generation is on the way.

And that's only going to make it tougher on Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods.

The 21-year-old McIlroy, who opened with a 63 at St. Andrews last summer in the British Open, again delivered exquisite shots on one of golf's biggest stages for a 7-under 65. It was such a clean round that he didn't make a bogey and was left wondering how much lower he could have gone if not for missing five birdie chances inside 10 feet.

"It wasn't maybe as exclusive or spectacular as the 63 at St. Andrews," he said. "But it was very solid from start to finish."

Then came Quiros, a 28-year-old Spaniard whom many consider the longest hitter in the game. Blasting away on a course where he had never shot better than 75, he spun an approach back to 3 feet on the 18th hole to catch McIlroy atop the leaderboard.

They had a two-shot lead over a pair of South Koreans, former PGA champion Y.E. Yang and K.J. Choi.

Mickelson and Woods, with six green jackets between them in the last decade, blended in more than they stood out.

Woods played in the morning in only a moderate breeze, ideal conditions for scoring. But he lost his way starting the back nine with consecutive bogeys, made only one birdie on the par 5s and had to settle for a 71.

"I would rather be where Rory's at," Woods said. "But, hey, it's a long way to go. We have a long grind ahead of us. The temperature is supposed to warm up and I'm sure they will start making the pins a little more difficult as the week goes on. I'm right there in the ballgame. I'm only six back, and as I said, we've got a lot of golf ahead of us."

Mickelson was far more erratic off the tee, hitting tee shots into the Georgia pines and spraying one so far into the azaleas left of the 13th fairway that he looked like he was on an Easter egg hunt as he searched for his ball. He hit only four fairways, last in the field of 99 players.

As always, his superb chipping kept him from dropping

shots on three straight holes around the turn. His only mistake came on the 18th, when he hit his approach into the gallery left of the green and chipped too hard, missing a 7-foot par putt for a 70.

"I scrambled well today, but I let four or five birdie opportunities slide," Mickelson said. "I'm going to have to capitalize on those opportunities to go low. I didn't shoot myself out of it, but I didn't make up ground on the field like I wanted to."

The top Americans on the leaderboard were Matt Kuchar and Ricky Barnes at 68. Another shot back was a group that included former U.S. Open champion Geoff Ogilvy, Brandt Snedeker and Sergio Garcia, who is slowly showing signs of a revival.

The good news for McIlroy was not only a great start to the Masters, but a great forecast.

Last summer in Scotland, the freckle-faced kid from Northern Ireland followed his record-tying 63 with an 80 when he got caught up in the blustery conditions of St. Andrews. He eventually rallied for a tie for third at the Open, and hopes he gained some experience.

"Obviously at the time, I was very disappointed to



Alvaro Quiros, tied for the lead after the first round of the Masters, displays his ball to the crowd after a birdie putt on the 18th hole.

come off the course and shoot 80 after shooting 63," McIlroy said. "But looking back on it, it was a very valuable lesson in my development as a golfer. It's possible that I can go out and shoot another 65, but I know that it's also very likely that I'm not going to do that."

"So if I do find myself in a bit of trouble, I'm going to have to stick in there, grind it out."

This was not a day to grind,

not with weather that only enhanced the garden beauty of Augusta, and not with hole locations along the front nine that allowed for such good scoring.

Retief Goosen started out by holing an 8-iron from 161 yards on the opening hole, the first player in 24 years to make eagle on the first hole of the Masters. He reached 5 under at the turn, only to get tripped on the backnine for a 70.

MLB

After deliberations, jurors to decide Bonds' fate

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The eight women and four men sat in the jury box for more than 4½ hours, listening to angry arguments from federal prosecutors and Barry Bonds' attorneys at the end of a 12-day trial that exposed the dark world of baseball's Steroids Era.

Now, Bonds' fate is up to them.

After listening to tawdry accusations of drug use, theft and body parts that grew (Bonds' head) and shrank (his testicles), the 12-member panel gets to decide whether the home run king will become a convicted felon.

Bonds' trial on charges he lied to a grand jury more than seven years ago when he denied knowingly using performance-enhancing drugs ended Thursday with

closing arguments from both sides that were filled with virulence and self-righteousness.

"There's a real irony to this case," Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew Parrella concluded. "These substances that the defendant took to make himself strong — he wasn't strong. He was weak. He was too weak to tell the truth despite all the anabolic steroids."

And with that, at 3:51 p.m. PDT, U.S. District Judge Susan Illston turned to the jury box and said: "At this point ladies and gentlemen, we're turning it over to you."

The jury's first order of business when it starts deliberations Friday — the day the World Series flag is raised at nearby AT&T Park, home of Bonds' San Francisco Giants — is to elect a foreman. Then it must sort

through the testimony of 25 witnesses and hundreds of exhibits that include syringes, vials and dizzying computer graphs of drug tests.

A seven-time MVP regarded as among the greatest hitters ever, Bonds is charged with three counts of making false statements and one count of obstruction of justice. His lawyers ridiculed the prosecution as being celebrity obsessed and willing to cut deals with anyone who would implicate perhaps the top player of his generation.

"It's part of an effort to demonize Barry Bonds, and it's very wrong," lead defense lawyer Allen Ruby said.

Cristina Arguedas, another of Bonds' attorneys, repeatedly took off her glasses and pointed them contemptuously at Jeff Novitzky, the tall, bald federal

investigator who was seated at the prosecution table.

"They have the power to end careers and to ruin lives," she said to the jury, her voice quivering. "And nobody gets to test that evidence unless they have the wherewithal and internal strength to come to a jury trial — to you."

Bonds is charged with lying when he denied knowingly receiving steroids and human growth hormone from personal trainer Greg Anderson and for saying he allowed only doctors to inject him. An obstruction count lists four additional statements the government alleges were made to evade or mislead the grand jury.

Each count carries a possible sentence of 10 years in prison, but federal guidelines indicate a recommended total sentence of

15 to 21 months. For convictions for similar offenses in the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative (BALCO) case, Illston sentenced two people to home confinement.

Bonds doesn't dispute that he took steroids but testified to the grand jury that Anderson told him they were flaxseed oil and arthritic balm. Parrella, in his 51-minute rebuttal that ended the trial, compared that to a teenager who arrives home glassy eyed on a Saturday night and tells his parents "I went to a bar and they told me it was just Coke."

Parrella said Bonds' plan at the grand jury was to "sell the little lie and hide the big lie" that his exploits — including the record for home runs in a season (73 in 2001) and, later, in a career (762) — were built on steroids.

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Where?

Michael Scott:

It happened this morning in the parking lot. I took her to the hospital. And the doctors tried to save her, life, they did the best they could. And she is going to be ok.

Stanley:

What is wrong with you? Why would you have to phrase it like that?

Ryan:

Did this happen on company property?

Michael Scott:

It was on company property, with company property. So, double jeopardy, we're fine.

Ryan:

I don't think— I don't think you understand how jeopardy works.

Michael Scott:

Oh, I'm sorry. What is, 'we're fine'? -----

It is pretty simple actually. The next nine days, only one thing should consume your thoughts. Only one thing should fill your dreams. Only one thing.

It is pretty simple actually. Gentlemen, Dawgs, Lady Dawgs, Wake it, Shake it.



## ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

## Wildcats sweep singles to win



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Irish senior Kristen Rafael reaches for a forehand shot during a 4-3 loss to Baylor March 3 in the Eck Tennis Center. Notre Dame dropped a 4-3 decision to Northwestern Thursday.

By KATIE HEIT  
Sports Writer

Despite taking an early 3-0 lead against Northwestern Thursday, the Wildcats mounted a dramatic performance and stunned the No. 20 Irish with a 4-3 victory.

The Irish (11-9) struggled later in the match as the Wildcats gained momentum and won the last four singles points, securing the victory by just one point. It is the first time this season that the 12-5 Wildcats have managed to make a comeback after losing the doubles point.

No. 3 junior Kristy Frilling lost her second singles match of the season against No. 16 Maria Mosolova in three sets. Mosolova took control of the third set with four straight aces. This broke Mosolova's

two-match losing record against Frilling. Frilling's singles record now stands at 15-2.

Also in singles, No. 63 junior Shannon Mathews suffered a similar loss against No. 74 Belinda Niu, falling to Niu in the third set. Mathews is the most recent Big East player of the week. This loss brings her singles record to 14-3 on the year.

Meanwhile, No. 105 freshman Jennifer Kellner defeated No. 87 Kate Turvey, securing the first singles victory for the Irish. Kellner now holds a singles record of 16-3 and has won nine of her last ten matches.

Senior Kristen Rafael secured the only other singles win for the Irish against No. 50 Brittany Wowchuk.

In doubles action, the No. 22 pair of Mathews and Frilling defeated the Wildcats' No. 7

Linda Abu Mushrefova and Nida Hamilton, gaining the second point for the Irish in this 8-3 upset.

The final doubles win for the Irish was gained by McGaffigan and Rafael, who defeated Mosolova and Belinda Niu 8-6. The pairing of McGaffigan and Rafael now has a record of 6-6.

To end doubles competition, the freshman pairing of Kellner and Julie Sabacinski fell to Wowchuk and Elena Chernyakova 8-3.

This match marks the 36th time the Irish have faced off against the Wildcats. Despite the loss, the Irish still lead in overall wins, 24-12.

The Irish are in action once more on April 17 against Marquette.

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## SMC SOFTBALL

## Trine takes both in MIAA doubleheader

By KATIE HEIT  
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The Belles suffered a tough day in a doubleheader against Trine, losing 3-2 and 14-2.

"The hardest part was finding momentum as a team," senior captain and outfielder Hayley Bojorquez. "We struggled to come back every time Trine fought back."

The Belles (10-7, 0-4 MIAA) started off the first game in the top of the first with a pair of runs thanks to a double from freshman infielder Callie Selner. In the bottom of the second Trine gained an unearned run, and in the bottom of the fourth, the Thunder scored on a sacrifice fly and a single.

In the second game, Trine had a quick start, leading 6-0 by the end of the third. The Belles managed a pair of runs in the bottom of the third when junior outfielder Lauren Enayati scored on a passed ball and Selner hit a ball to left field to allow Bojorquez to score the Belles' final run.

Trine battled back, bringing the final score to 14-2 after six innings.

Bojorquez cited poor hitting as the main reason her team struggled in both

games against Trine.

"We combined [for] a total of four runs in both games, which is just not us," Bojorquez said. "We are a much better hitting team than we showed today."

Selner suffered the loss in game one, while junior pitcher Monica Palicki took the defeat in game two.

Saint Mary's will hit the field once more in a doubleheader on Saturday against No. 13 Adrian. They are looking to secure their first conference win.

"Adrian is usually a pretty tough competitor," Bojorquez said. "We need to be ready for them to fight back."

In the time before the next game, Bojorquez wants to see the team begin to work to improve its hitting, as well as its general game play.

"We want to fix the little things that didn't work [against Trine]," Bojorquez said. "Those things will most likely include our hitting as well as more key small ball situations on both defense and offense."

The Belles will face Adrian in a doubleheader Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

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## NHL

## Penguins, Islanders meet almost two months after brawl

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — If the Pittsburgh Penguins and New York Islanders fought things out on the silver screen instead of a sheet of ice, the sequel would have a roman numeral tacked onto the title a la "Rocky."

It's been two months since the Atlantic Division rivals staged one of the most penalty- and fight-filled games they or the NHL has ever seen. Much has changed since that

Friday night in February when the Islanders had revenge on their minds and took care of getting it in all kinds of ways.

Whether the bad blood still exists when the Penguins return to Long Island on Friday night remains to be seen.

"Sometimes games like this, there is all the hype and it's just another game," Islanders tough guy Micheal Haley said Thursday. "They're in the playoffs, so they'll be worried about that. It's tough to say

what could happen. I am sure there will still be emotions but I don't know if it will be like last time."

The last game featured 65 penalties, 346 penalty minutes, 10 ejections, 15 fighting majors and 20 misconducts in the Islanders' 9-3 victory that was never competitive. Records were set for both teams for most combined penalty minutes, and there were few players around to finish the game.

Both sides tried to downplay what will happen once they are back on the ice together, and the teams are going in different directions. New York has only two games remaining in a disappointing season, and Pittsburgh is playing out the string with only a potentially better postseason seeding on the line in the final weekend.

"We are in the playoffs and we are trying to get ready for playoffs. Their season is over," Penguins forward Pascal Dupuis said. "It's a different atmosphere in both locker rooms. I don't expect too much to happen."

That seemed to be a common theme, but no one could be certain there wouldn't be a

repeat of the mayhem that played out at Nassau Coliseum on Feb. 11. Any questionable hit or lopsided score or something unforeseen could reignite a fuse that is likely still hot.

"We're going to play the game like we always can," Penguins forward Jordan Staal said, "and not really worry about what happened before."

The fire was first lit nine days before the previous matchup in a game at Pittsburgh. In that one, the Islanders were angry about an unpenalized hit to the head of forward Blake Comeau by Pittsburgh's Max Talbot that caused a concussion. They didn't shy away from showing their displeasure when they had the Penguins in their home arena.

And that's where they will have them again on Friday.

"I already addressed this with our team on two separate occasions. Our sole intent going into that building is to win a hockey game and not be interested in doing any other kind of activity," Penguins coach Dan Bylsma said. "We're playing a certain way,

we've got a certain group of guys, and we're not going to be focused on being involved in anything other than playing our game and winning a hockey game."

The Islanders, who are trying to stay out of the Eastern Conference cellar, will be playing in front of just their fourth home sellout of the season — but third straight. This highly anticipated second round with the Penguins will be greeted by rabid fans certainly looking for more eruptions on ice.

"I've come to the conclusion that it's probably in (the Penguins') hands how the game is going to be played out," Islanders enforcer Zenon Konopka said Thursday. "Obviously, two games ago, we were upset with the way our players were being treated. The next game was intense, and some people would say it got out of hand."

That's an understatement. In addition to the hit on Comeau back on Feb. 2, Islanders goalie Rick DiPietro also sustained facial fractures and a knee injury when he was struck in a fight by Penguins netminder Brent Johnson.



Islanders defenseman Travis Hamonic, right, takes a shot from Penguins center Mike Rupp during a brawl Feb. 11 in N.Y.

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TRACK AND FIELD

# Irish head to Ky. for meet

By **JOE WIRTH**  
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Coming off a strong performance in the Mike Poehlein Invitational at Purdue, and with the season winding down, the Irish need to keep playing at a high level this weekend as they head to Kentucky for the Louisville Border Battle.

The meet's participants are Louisville, Kentucky, Indiana and Notre Dame.

Irish sophomore Jeremy Rae said the team has performed well, but they would like to continue their success so they have more representatives at the Big East championships.

"Team-wise, we'd like to get

more people qualified for the Big East championships that are taking place less than a month from now," Rae said.

Rae said he has high personal expectations for the race, but he also sees the invitational as an opportunity to prepare for next week's Mount SAC Relays in California.

"Individually I'll be running an 800-meter, which is shorter than I typically race but will help get me prepared for my next 1500-meter in Los Angeles next week," Rae said.

Junior Sean Lindbloom, who was recently sidelined for the season due to injury, said the team has handled the transition from the indoor season to the

outdoor season well.

"Moving into the outdoor season, the team has been steadily improving in order to move closer to an outdoor Big East championship," Lindbloom said.

Another Irish runner looking to make an impact is freshman Michelle Brown, who placed first in the women's 200-meter and 400-meter dashes last week at Purdue and will attempt to build on that success at the meet.

The event will take place all day Saturday at the University of Louisville's track and field facilities.

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# Ryan

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tured forwards Jack and Mike Connolly as well as forward Justin Fontaine and defenseman Justin Faulk, were difficult for the Irish penalty kill unit to handle.

"They were very versatile, they didn't really have anything set," he said. "They had a lot of movement on the other side of the ice with guys on the weak side. I give them all the credit. We were kind of standing around a little bit instead of picking guys up."

Notre Dame entered the Frozen Four with a power play unit ranked a mediocre 39th in the nation after converting with a 16.2 percent success rate throughout the season. The shaky unit had problems breaking down the Bulldogs' penalty kill unit all game, failing to reg-

ister a shot on multiple power-play attempts. Faulk said his team's penalty kill was effective in keeping the Irish out of the offensive zone.

"I think it was just our gaps in the neutral zone, and our forwards kind of pressured them off to one side and allowed our [defense] to step up and pinch them off at the blue line," Faulk said. "Then even when they did get in the zone, I think when they were along the boards, we were able to pressure them pretty well. When they did have shot opportunities I think a lot of guys were willing to sacrifice their bodies and block a shot for the team."

Jackson said Notre Dame's lack of a consistent and top-level point man to direct the power play — something Minnesota-Duluth had in Faulk — hurt the Irish in the game all season.

"You know, to be honest with you, our special teams this year

have been a bit of a disappointment. They've been one of the staples of our program for the last five years," Jackson said. "We don't have Duluth's quarterback out there at the point. I think [sophomore defenseman] Sam Calabrese is developing that, but Faulk is a threat out there from a shooting perspective and he's also a good playmaker. So we lack that right now."

Though the Irish played their best hockey Thursday night at even strength, Jackson ultimately conceded that better special teams are needed to advance late in the postseason.

"I thought our guys played pretty well five-on-five," he said. "But, you know, we needed to do a better job on the power play, which would have made a big difference in the game."

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Junior defenseman Sean Lorenz skates with the puck during Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to Minnesota-Duluth Thursday in the national semifinal in Saint Paul, Minn.

SOFTBALL

# Valdivida leads way in shutout victories



Irish senior infielder Heather Johnson readies herself for a pitch against Providence April 3 in Melissa Cook Stadium.

By **KELSEY MANNING**  
Sports Writer

Outstanding pitching and sharp defense highlighted the day as the Irish topped Butler by allowing just eight hits and one run throughout their doubleheader Thursday.

Senior pitcher Jody Valdivia led the way in the 5-0 shutout, rebounding from a few slow pitching starts in previous games to match her career record of 14 strikeouts. Valdivia was able to get ahead of batters and took charge of the entire Bulldog lineup, including the school's all-time home run leader junior first baseman Erin Falkenberry. The senior allowed just two hits and two walks in seven innings.

"The past couple of outings I have been focusing on just spinning the ball, working on executing pitches and hitting my locations," Valdivia said. "My catcher gave me great feedback all day and we were able to get into a good rhythm and just went with it."

Meanwhile the Irish offensive charge was led once again by senior Heather Johnson, who extended her hitting streak to 14 games and owned five of Notre Dame's 16 hits on the day. Senior catcher Lex Clay also played an integral role from the plate, going two-for-five in the doubleheader with five RBI, including a three-run homer in the opening contest to score sophomore Amy Buntin and senior Brianna Jorgensborg. The Irish continue to focus on hitting in the clutch and not leaving runners on base as the season progresses.

"The team did a great job of playing our own game," Valdivia said. "We got the momentum going our way and tried to keep it that way. We were able to get clutch hits and keep putting the pressure on

[Butler's] defense which caused them to make mistakes."

The Bulldogs took their one and only lead of the day in the second contest when Butler junior Jessica Huey hit a two-out single in the top of the third inning. But the Irish were able to come right back in the bottom of the inning when sophomore Alexa Maldonado doubled, reached third on Clay's sacrifice bunt, and crossed the plate as Johnson singled. Timely hits and Butler errors allowed Notre Dame to finish out the 6-1 victory in commanding fashion.

The pair of wins extended the Irish winning streak to seven games, a tally that bodes well for the team's success moving forward.

"I feel like now that preseason is over and we are hitting conference play everyone has a good idea of where they are in terms of their own game," Valdivia said. "Preseason gave us good goals to focus on and pointed out areas we fell short in that we have been working at improving. Our team is starting to hit its stride and we feel pretty confident moving forward into Big East."

Big East play will resume for the Irish this weekend as the team travels to Syracuse for a three-game series.

"Syracuse has transitioned themselves into being a real competitive threat for Big East and are the reigning tournament champions," Valdivia noted. "We didn't have the opportunity to play them last year during regular season so we are excited to go compete with them this weekend and bring home some wins."

The Irish look to prove themselves this weekend as they face Syracuse beginning Saturday at noon.

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BASEBALL

# Irish host UConn in three-game series

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The Irish have found a good time to start scoring runs, considering that they will face their toughest challenge of the year thus far when they host Connecticut for a three-game series this weekend.

After dropping the first two of a three-game series at Pittsburgh last weekend, Notre Dame (12-14-1, 3-3 Big East) has taken two in a row — including a 6-2 win Wednesday against a balanced Western Michigan team.

The Irish bats have shown signs of catching up to the stellar starting pitching over this recent stretch, which comes as a sign of relief to Irish coach Mik Aoki, who has preached timely hitting to his team since day one.

“We have a certain philosophy in the way that we approach the plate mentally and physically,” Aoki said. “The players have been working hard towards that and have been incorporating, assimilating that into game situations.”

The Irish are averaging over five runs per game in their last five games after previously averaging a little over three per game, including an early-season 19-run showing against Purdue.

In its current two-game winning streak, Aoki’s squad has notched 14 runs on 20 hits, including four hits and five RBI from freshman first baseman Trey Mancini. Recruited by former Irish coach Dave Schrage, the freshman sensation is batting .326 with 17 RBI and a .565 slugging percentage so far this sea-

son.

“Trey was recruited here based on the fact that he’s a really good offensive player. As coaches, we’ve reaped the benefits of that. He’s a worker. He’s one of the guys who’s done a good job of buying into the things we’ve been talking about and bringing that into game situations.”

But the Irish face a tough test in dealing with Big East opponent Connecticut (15-10-1, 5-1), who is riding a five-game winning streak during which the team averaged over eight runs per game. The Huskies have only lost once over their last nine games, and most recently defeated Massachusetts 7-1 Wednesday night.

The Huskies are led by all-time hits leader and senior first baseman Mike Nemeth, who brings a

batting average of .340 and 20 RBI into the contest. Junior righthander Matt Barnes (5-2) is slated to take the hill. Barnes has paced the Huskies pitching staff this year, as the Connecticut ace has an ERA of 1.00 and averages seven strikeouts per game.

“They have a couple of players that are projected first-rounders [in the 2011 MLB First-Year Player Draft],” Aoki said. “We’re going to have our hands full this weekend with players like Barnes.”

The Irish look to build on their winning streak by breaking that of Connecticut’s starting Friday at 5:35 p.m., continuing Saturday at 2:05 p.m. and concluding Sunday at 1:05 p.m.

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## Jackson

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the middle portion of the game before mounting a comeback effort in the third period.

“We played a good first half of the first period, and a good third period, but the second period killed us,” Tynan said.

Jackson said that the Bulldogs’ ability to quickly answer his squad’s scores wore down his team in the second period and gave Minnesota-Duluth the intangible advantage it needed to earn a trip to the national championship game.

“After Duluth scored the third goal, I thought we dipped a little bit emotionally in that our youth showed up a little bit,” he said. “I thought our body language got bad.”

In the third period, however, the Irish poured on the attack, firing 15 shots on goal compared to the Bulldogs’ two in the final stanza.

“I gave it to [the team] after the second,” Jackson said. “They came out and they responded, which they have all season long.”

Ridderwall was one of three seniors making his final appearance in a Notre Dame uniform, along with center Ben Ryan and right wing Ryan Guentzel.

Though still stinging from the hard-fought loss just moments earlier, the graduating players were able to reflect on their standard-setting tenure, which included the program’s first-ever Frozen Four appearance in 2008.

“I’m just thankful for the University of Notre Dame giving me an opportunity to come here and be part of [the] program these last four years,” Guentzel said. “We’ve had a great ride: freshman year, playing in the national championship and then being able to come to Saint Paul my senior year with the great crowd and great atmosphere.”

After a season in which the freshman-laden Irish far outstripped every expectation by qualifying for the NCAA tournament and then reaching the Final Four, the young squad came up just short in Minnesota after an inconsistent performance.

“I said it a few days ago — when you play in this event you have to play 60 minutes. Twice. And we didn’t,” Jackson said. “That’s really what it boiled down to.”

“The puck just didn’t bounce our way tonight,” Guentzel said. “Sometimes that happens.”

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Dante is the greatest religious poet of Western culture, and his great epic poem, the *Divine Comedy*, offers a remarkable and original synthesis of his view of the fundamental relationship between God and humanity. The course offers an introduction to Dante’s *Commedia* (the title of the poem is *Comedy* and not *Divine Comedy* as is commonly believed) by focusing on the first of its three parts, *Inferno*, while also paying significant attention to its other two parts, *Purgatorio* and *Paradiso*. Classes will principally concentrate on providing readings of individual cantos. (The course will be divided into 4 introductory lectures, 12 classes on *Inferno*, 7 on *Purgatory*, and 6 on *Paradiso*.) At the same time, broader issues central to Dante’s masterpiece will be discussed. In particular, attention will be paid to Dante’s ties to classical and Christian culture, his political views, his ideas on language, his involvement in contemporary intellectual debates, his efforts to use poetry for ethical and religious ends, and his literary experimentation (including his perplexing choice of title for his masterpiece). The course is open to all second-, third-, and fourth-year students, and will be taught in English. Dante’s poem, too, will be read in English translation, though students with a reading knowledge of Italian are encouraged to read it in both languages. The translation is that found in the annotated bilingual edition by Robert and Jean Hollander (Doubleday). [This is a one-semester lecture course on the entire *Comedy*, distinct from ROIT40115-40116, Dante I and Dante II.]



## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

## Irish look to continue success over Villanova

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS  
Sports Writer

In a weekend of matches against Villanova and Syracuse in 2010, the Irish were near perfect in holding both teams scoreless for a combined 96 minutes. But what will they do for an encore?

In the 16-0 win over the Wildcats last year, sophomore goalie Ellie Hilling recorded the first and only shutout of her collegiate career. The 16-goal victory also marked the first blank slate in program history and the first in the Big East conference since 2001.

"We can only duplicate it but not beat it because it's so hard to shut anyone out," Irish coach Tracy Coyne said. "Hopefully we'll have a similar game."

Notre Dame (4-6, 1-1 Big East) opened Big East play last weekend, splitting a pair of games against Rutgers and non-conference opponent Loyola. The Irish snapped a brief two-game losing skid by defeating the Scarlet Knights 11-6 behind a great game from freshman midfielder Kaitlyn Brosco.

The Irish fell to then-No. 5 Loyola in a tight 13-10 loss.

"All the girls are disappointed but they want to play them again in the Big East tournament," Coyne said after the loss. "These are the weekends that prepare you for a championship."

The Wildcats (4-4, 0-1) are set to host their first Big East game of the season when they face off with the Irish today. Villanova, suffered an 11-2 loss to California in their previous game on March 27th. In its season opener this year, Notre Dame convincingly defeated California 20-6.

Junior midfielder Justine Donodeo leads the Wildcats in scoring, having tallied 24 goals and nine assists over Villanova's first eight games. Donodeo has also put nearly 84 percent of her shots on goal.

The goalkeeper position has been a revolving door for the Wildcats this season, as the team has taken the field with three different goalies. Freshman Julia Todd has started a team-high five games in between the pipes while surrendering just 7.18 goals per game.

"We're expecting [Todd] to be the starter, but the other two [goalies] are similar to her," Coyne said. "We just want to have a great offensive game."

No matter which goalie starts for the Wildcats, Villanova will have a difficult time containing a potent Irish offense. Junior attack Maggie Tamasis averages over two assists per contest and has contributed 21 assists on the year, extending her point streak to 28 games. Sophomore midfielder Jenny Granger has scored a team-high 17 goals this season.

The Irish have been strong this year controlling the draw, winning the face-off 52 percent of the time. Senior midfielder Shaylyn Blaney and senior defender Jackie Doherty have combined to scoop up 48 ground balls and control 38 draws.

On Sunday, the Irish will face No. 15 Syracuse (3-6, 1-0) in the Carrier Dome, a place the Irish have never won.

"We've circled this game on our schedule for a long time," Coyne said. "We're really looking forward to the competition."

Orange senior goalie Liz Hogan, who owns a 44 percent save percentage, garnered high praise from Coyne and the Irish.

"She's very active and a great clearer," Coyne said. "We've played a lot of great goalies recently."

The Irish take on the Wildcats today at 4:30 p.m. before challenging the Orange Sunday at 1 p.m.

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## SMC TENNIS

## Belles to face Bethel College

By MATT UNGER  
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Saint Mary's looks to extend its win streak to five and strengthen its MIAA resume this weekend with a non-conference match against Bethel College and an MIAA showdown with last year's conference runner-up, Hope College.

This afternoon, Saint Mary's, winners of eight of its past 11, takes the short trip to Mishawaka to face cross-town rival and NAIA opponent Bethel College (8-4) at 4 p.m. The Belles (8-5, 2-1 MIAA) have dominated the annual series with the Pilots in recent years, winning four straight matches from 2007-10, including the last three.

Bethel top singles player, Molly O'Grady, holds a record of 9-3 and will face Saint Mary's senior Jillian Hurley,

who is 8-5.

Less than 24 hours later, the Belles travel to Holland, Mich., for an MIAA match with Hope College (6-4, 2-0) at 1 p.m. The match should serve as a litmus test of the Belles' ability to compete for an MIAA championship, as the Flying Dutch were conference runners-up in 2010. Also, the Belles will look to avenge an 8-1 defeat to the Flying Dutch last season.

Saint Mary's and Hope have soundly defeated their only common opponent so far, Olivet College, by scores of 7-2 and 8-1 respectively.

The No. 1 singles match will be of particular interest as it showcases two seniors, Olivet's Katherine Garcia and Saint Mary's Jillian Hurley, that have seen each other numerous times in conference play throughout their careers. Last year's match was a narrow,

back-and-forth contest, with Garcia prevailing in three sets, 6-3, 4-6 and 1-0 (10-8). Garcia also holds a 53-22 career record in singles play.

Garcia has been a force in doubles play throughout her career with a record of 67-15, but is only 4-6 with sophomore partner Leah LaBarge in No. 1 doubles this season.

Meanwhile, the Belles' No. 2 doubles duo of seniors Mary Therese Lee and Franca Peluso and No. 3 tandem of freshman Mary Catherine Fallor and senior Jessica Kosinski look to continue their recent success. Both pairs are a combined 7-1 in the team's last four matches, answering Belles coach Dale Campbell's call earlier in the season for improved doubles play.

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"There's no question it's going to change the way I play."

Running back Armando

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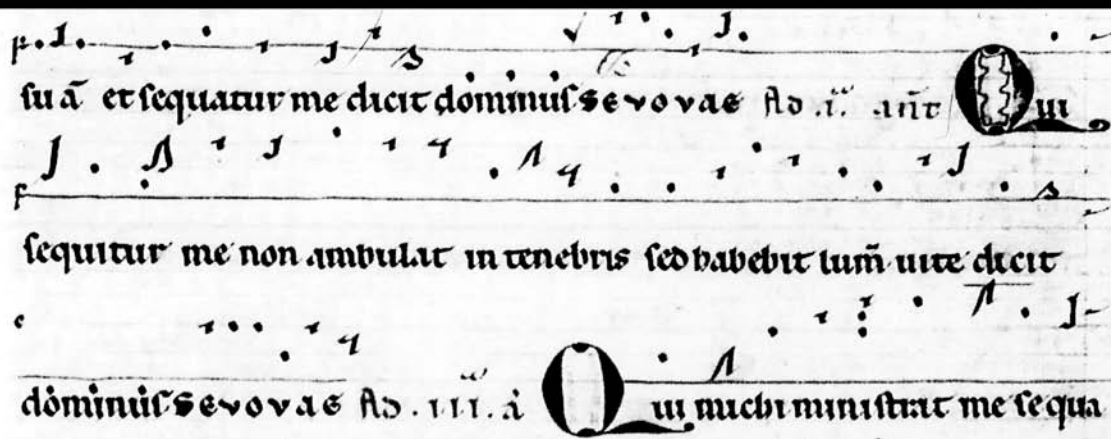
It was the top mark of the day, and would have ranked fifth at the Combine.

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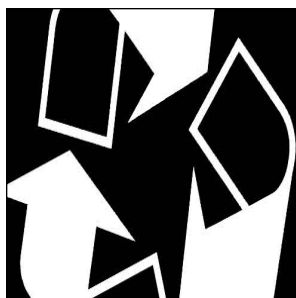
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MEN’S LACROSSE

Irish to face Hoyas Sunday

By MEGAN GOLDEN  
Sports Writer

In anticipation of a large crowd and a competitive matchup, the No. 2 Irish are eager to take the field for their Playing for Peace Game against Georgetown as they look to remain undefeated on the season.

Coming off a 13-7 win over Mount Saint Mary’s on Tuesday, Georgetown (5-4) has won three of its last four contests. However, three of its four losses were against opponents currently ranked in the top five of Inside Lacrosse’s national standings.

Irish junior attack Sean Rogers said he is confident the team will approach the Hoyas with the same intensity as always.

“First and foremost, they beat us last year,” Rogers said. “It came down to us and them for the final spot, and we beat them out. They are going to come in with a lot of desire. A lot of our kids played their kids in high school, and their roster’s full of big time players and All-Americans. I’m not worried about us overlooking them, that’s for sure.”

The Hoyas average 11.8 goals per game, but their opponents average 11.1 goals, which has created several down-to-the-wire match-ups thus far. The fewest number of goals they have scored this season is eight.

“I looked at their scores, and there are two games that they gave up 20 and 16 goals, respectively,” Rogers said. “Besides that, the numbers are skewed. When teams

want to go up and down with them, their team gets a sense of that, and their offense tries to score goals and [their] defense gives up more goals. We’re not necessarily a team that will get into that kind of match with them, but who knows, after last week we could put up a lot of goals.”

The No. 8 Hoyas bring a fast-paced offense and an athletic defense to the field. Senior defenseman Kevin Ridgway said the Irish (7-0) must treat Georgetown like any other team and play to their strengths in order to be successful.

“They have a bunch of guys who can make plays, and they’re very in tune to how they make those plays. They put those guys in position to be a threat to score,” the co-captain said. “Obviously you want to win your individual matchup. We want to just play the way we play. We’re good at slide and recovery, and if we do that well then we should be able to hold them to less than eight [goals].”

Ridgway commented that this experienced Irish team is unlikely to fall in the same trap as last year’s squad did and become overly concerned by the rankings.

“We’re not getting too caught up in [the rankings],” Ridgway said. “We got a little lost in it last year, but this year [I tell my teammates], ‘Just keep the focus day to day. Don’t worry about our ranking. It’ll take care of itself if we just focus on the little things.’”

Under Irish assistant coach Kevin Dugan’s direction, the team will be sponsoring a Playing for

Peace seven-versus-seven interhall lacrosse tournament following the Georgetown game. The event is co-sponsored by the men’s lacrosse and men’s basketball teams.

“We hope that the student body will come out to cheer on our team,” Dugan said. “We’ve really worked hard to raise awareness in Sudan, but we’ve also done it in a way that we’re building relationships with our fellow students. We hope the students want to come out and support the need to be in solidarity with Sudan, but also their alma mater, their school.”

Rogers said he has high expectations for the event, and he hopes to see the students at the game Sunday.

“We obviously loved the support we got for Villanova,” he said. “We fed off the energy. It’ll be a TV game, so come out and get on TV. Make a sign or something. All the students on the hill out there — they’re so loud, and [they make] it tough for the other team. We definitely hear them.”

The Irish look to extend their winning streak against Georgetown Sunday at 12 p.m. at Arlotta Stadium.

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importantly, over the past six years, Jackson has succeeded in his goal of establishing a winning culture within the program.

Not many players can graduate saying they’ve played in two Frozen Fours, and one championship game, over their careers, but Irish seniors Calle Ridderwall, Ryan Guentzel and Ben Ryan can.

“Sitting here right now it’s bitter, but I’m extremely proud of the team we had,” Ridderwall said. “I’m extremely proud to say I played four years of college hockey for the University of Notre Dame.”

Those three seniors, along with classmate Joe Lavin, have laid the foundation for an elite hockey program. Ridderwall’s overtime game-winning goal in 2008 is the most important moment in Irish hockey history. Ryan’s back-to-back game-winners in the 2009 CCHA championship gave Notre Dame its second-ever Mason Cup. Guentzel emerged as a dominant assist-man this season, with more points, goals and assists this year than in his first three years combined. Lavin, who transferred from Providence midway through last season, immediately stepped into a leadership position and captained this exceptionally young

Irish team to the Frozen Four.

They won’t be here when (not if) Notre Dame wins its first national championship, but those four seniors will have played an instrumental role.

It’s difficult to see the silver lining now. I wrote Thursday that Frozen Fours are tough to come by, and that the Irish needed to take advantage since they were here. That’s still true; there is no doubt that this was a missed opportunity for the Irish. But, now that this season has come to a close, there is nowhere to look but the future.

The most tangible evidence of Notre Dame’s growth as a hockey program will undoubtedly be on full display next October. The Irish will be opening the brand new Compton Family Center, and will do so by raising a Frozen Four banner, at that. It won’t be the banner the Irish had been hoping for, but it’s an incredible accomplishment nonetheless.

With rafter space at the Joyce Center almost full, here’s hoping the designs for the Compton Center include plenty of room for more banners. There’s no doubt Notre Dame is going to need it.

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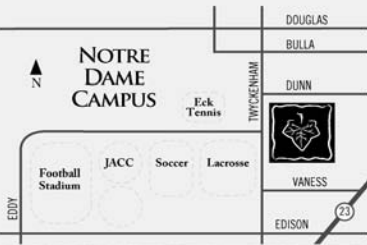
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HOCKEY

# Frozen out

## Penalty kill, power play hurt Irish

By CHRIS ALLEN  
Sports Writer

SAINT PAUL, Minn. — There is little doubt in the mind of Notre Dame coach Jeff Jackson as to what ended his team's season one step short of the national championship game: The Irish special teams, a weakness all season, were exposed on the biggest stage in their 4-3 loss to Minnesota-Duluth.

"People can see the game. Obviously that game was dictated by one thing: special teams," Jackson said. "They have an exceptional power play, and we couldn't generate any offense on the power play. So I thought we played a good game five-on-five. Other than that, you know, the game was completely determined by special teams."

The Irish problems on special teams began after freshman wing Jeff Costello gave them a 1-0 lead in the game's first minute. Nearly a minute later, fellow freshman and center David Gerths was whistled for hooking, and the Bulldogs wasted no time in answering on a goal less than a minute later from J.T. Brown to even the game at one.

The exchange was a harbinger of things to come for Jeff Jackson's bunch, as Notre Dame allowed two more power-play goals over the course of the first two periods while managing just two shots in their own four power-plays in that span. Minnesota-Duluth's superiority on their power-play unit was evident throughout the affair, with the Bulldogs notching their final two power-play goals within the first 25 seconds of their man-up advantage.

Senior center Ben Ryan said the versatility and speed of the Bulldog unit, which heavily fea-

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SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

**Freshman center T.J. Tynan, right, reacts to Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to Minnesota-Duluth in the national semifinal Thursday night in St. Paul, Minn.**

By ALLAN JOSEPH  
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SAINT PAUL, Minn. — Down 4-2 early in the third period of the national semifinal game and facing a red-hot Minnesota-Duluth power play, Notre Dame thought it had turned the corner when senior left wing Calle Ridderwall blasted a shot from just inside the blue line past Bulldog goalie Kenny Reiter to pull the Irish within one. It was not to be, however, as Reiter stonewalled the Notre Dame attack the rest of the way to give Minnesota-Duluth a 4-3 victory over the Irish in front of 19,139 fans at the Xcel Energy Center.

"It was huge, [and it gave us] momentum the whole [third] period," Ridderwall said. "We were pressuring them down low in their

zone. We had some shots, but we just couldn't get them through."

Notre Dame opened the Frozen Four with a bang as freshman left wing Jeff Costello beat Reiter glove-side just 49 seconds into the game to give the Irish a 1-0 advantage. Merely two minutes later, though the Bulldogs

scored the first of their three power-play goals to pull even. The tie lasted just six minutes, as freshman center T.J. Tynan found the back of the net, only to see his goal answered 66 seconds later on another

power-play tally.

"That was kind of a crazy start," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. "Five-on-five I thought we were doing great, and then you put them on the power play and it certainly sets you back — not just from a score perspective but a mental perspective."

**Jeff Jackson**  
Irish coach

*"Five-on-five I thought we were doing great, and then you put them on the power play and it certainly sets you back."*

lead on the strength of a withering man-up attack and stalwart penalty-kill unit. Notre Dame did itself no favors, as Jackson's squad struggled throughout

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## ND moving into college hockey's elite

By SAM WERNER  
Senior Sports Writer

ST. PAUL, Minn. — It just wasn't the year.

There are plenty of technical reasons Notre Dame lost Thursday night. Minnesota-Duluth's machine-like power play scored at a 50 percent clip, while the Irish managed only two shots on five uninspired attempts with the man advantage.

In a larger sense, though, when you get down to just four teams playing single-elimination tournament games — on a stage few college players have ever played on — it's sometimes just a matter of how the puck bounces.

The dominant storyline coming out of this Frozen Four should not be that Notre Dame came up short yet again. It should be that the Irish, who just six years ago were a CCHA doormat, have fully entered into college hockey's elite.

In college hockey, there is a relatively small group of schools that annually contend for a Frozen Four appearance: Michigan, Boston College and North Dakota, to name a few. Without any national titles to its name, Notre Dame definitely is not in that group yet. It's not unreasonable, though, for Notre Dame to begin every season with aspirations of making the Frozen Four.

Clearly, the Irish will not actually make the Frozen Four every year, but recent history has positioned Notre Dame as an annual contender. The Irish have Jeff Jackson, arguably the best coach in college hockey, and this year's crop of impressive freshmen is only going to get better. Most



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FOOTBALL

# Players get opportunity to showcase talent

By ANDREW OWENS  
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Nine former Irish players took another step toward attaining their dream of playing in the NFL Thursday at Notre Dame's annual Pro Day.

Scouts from 28 of the 32 NFL teams attended, and watched as tight end Kyle Rudolph highlighted the day's action. Rudolph could be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft on April 28, and his performance in the Loftus Center should have helped his chances, NFL Network and NBC analyst Mike

Mayock said.

"I think everyone came away from today with a buzz about how good [Rudolph's] hands are," Mayock said.

Rudolph had the advantage of receiving passes from Rob Florian, an alumnus of Elder High School, the same school Rudolph attended. Florian later served as the signal caller at the University of Dayton.

"It was awesome," Rudolph said. "I grew up with Rob, watched him play. He was four years ahead of me in grade school and high school. He was a very successful quarterback at Elder High School in Cincinnati.

He's got a great ball."

Rudolph said he felt he successfully exhibited his skills for the scouts and hopes he ended any worries about his hamstring injury.

"I'm happy [with the performance]," Rudolph said. "The main objective for me was to get out there and show everyone that I'm healthy and that the hamstring [injury] is a thing of the past."

Rudolph said he enjoyed seeing the field again after missing the final eight games of the season because of the injury.

"It was great to get out here and to be able to run around

and be healthy," Rudolph said. "It's been six months [since] my surgery and to be able to come out here and run around like I used to was a lot of fun."

Cornerback Darrin Walls recorded the top 40-yard dash time, clocking in at 4.39 seconds. The time would have been the third highest at the NFL Combine, held the last week of February.

"I felt pretty good," Walls said. "I came out here and did some things I wanted to do."

"I don't feel pressure at all. I didn't get invited to the Combine, I didn't get invited to the Senior Bowl, so I came in

with a chip on my shoulder. I tried to come in and prove people wrong, so I hope I did that."

Running back Robert Hughes arrived appearing like a new man, checking in at 226 lbs, 14 pounds lighter than his 2010 playing weight. He recorded 26 repetitions in the bench press, raising the attention of the scouts.

"I felt like I did great," Hughes said. "I felt like I helped myself."

"I just did cardio and busted my tail, working out twice a day and eating right, changing my diet a lot really helped," he said.

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