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'Occupy Wall Street' spreads

Economic disparity spurs grassroots protests, business professors say



Protestors who are part of the "Occupy Boston" group are seen during a stand-off with Boston Police at the Charlestown Bridge in Boston on Monday afternoon.

By AMANDA GRAY
News Writer

The "Occupy Wall Street" grassroots movement protesting the country's economic disparity began in New York City,

but has recently spread across the country to reach South Bend.

Notre Dame business professors say the growing gap between a wealthy minority at the top and the bottom 99 percent

of the population has motivated many to join the uproar.

Finance professor Richard Sheehan said 90 percent of income gain from the past few

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Sophomores pursue off-campus housing

By MEL FLANAGAN
News Writer

While senior year may seem far in the future for the class of 2014, many sophomores looking to rent an ideal off-campus house begin their search as early as this semester.

Off-campus concerns chair Emily LeStrange said interested students should do adequate research on a property before signing a lease.

"The best piece of advice I can give is to encourage new renters to talk to people they know currently rent[ing] from a certain landlord or housing agency," LeStrange said. "They can give you honest feedback about their experiences and can point you in the right direction."

LeStrange said students often feel pressure from landlords or housing agencies to sign a lease before they have time to fully comprehend its stipulations.

"You should take the time to review the agreement and ask any questions if they arise," LeStrange said. "There will always be housing off campus, so don't feel rushed to make an agreement."

Students should fully comprehend any financial terms of the lease, LeStrange said. She advised prospective renters

to especially understand what utilities are included in the rent and how rent payment would be scheduled.

"Even some minor things may be in the lease, like a policy on pets," LeStrange said. "It's important to really understand the agreement. Most students forget that a lease is a binding legal document, and I think it is very important to always keep that in mind."

Off-campus president Tess Fitzpatrick said safety is another key factor in choosing a house.

"Some apartments and housing areas are known for robberies, and students need to know the safety aspect involved in moving off campus," Fitzpatrick said.

LeStrange suggested students read crime reports for the area if they are unsure of the neighborhood's history. The off-campus student website, offcampus.nd.edu, includes complete crime reports filed by students in the surrounding area.

"It's important to be an informed renter," LeStrange said. "Sometimes this means you need to gather your own information about the neighborhood you are going to live in."

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Doctoral program earns accreditation

Doctoral Program in

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- Earned accreditation from the American Psychological Association (APA) in October 2011.

- Directed by Dr. Scott Monroe.

- Hired four nationally recognized clinical psychologists and five assistant professors since 2006.

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By EMILY SCHRANK
News Writer

The University's doctoral program in clinical psychology recently earned accreditation from the American Psy-

chological Association (APA), program director Scott Monroe said.

"We've transformed from a University without a clinical

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CSC panel discusses missions

By CHRISTIAN MYERS
News Writer

As Fr. Ken Thesing rode his motorcycle to a sub-parish center on Christmas Day in Tanzania several years ago, he said people were plowing their fields and scattering seeds in the fields he passed.

When he saw this, Thesing said he realized they were not celebrating the holiday because their religious communities did nothing to honor Christmas.

This story was only one example of the cultural differences between missionaries like Thesing and the people they serve. Thesing and two other missionary priests at a panel discussion Monday discussed their work in Latin America and Africa as part of the order of Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers.

The priests from the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers dis-



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Fr. Stephen Judd lectures about the missions of the Congregation of the Holy Cross. Judd spent his missionary career in Latin America.

cussed their experiences as missionaries in Geddes Hall during a panel titled, "Going Where You Are Needed But Not Necessarily Loved."

Despite cultural divides, the missionaries said their

work taught them how to address the specific needs in the communities they served.

Fr. Robert Pelton, a former Notre Dame professor and

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LOW

Fiction author discusses writing, promotes book

By REBECCA O'NEIL
News Writer

Several dozen Saint Mary's students studying the work of author Grant Bailie met the fiction writer in person Monday.

The Cleveland-based author promoted his upcoming book "TomorrowLand," a compilation of short stories. Bailie read excerpts from the work in the Haggar College Center.

Bailie said he found a love for the arts at a young age. While growing up, Bailie said he knew he would be a painter or a writer.

"If I was talking to my art teacher, I would say I wanted to be a writer," Bailie said. "If I was talking to my English teacher, I would say I wanted to be a painter. I was difficult that way."

While Bailie ultimately chose to take up a pen rather than a paintbrush, he said he still indulges his love for drawing.

"I draw illustrations to see what image I'm trying to portray," Bailie said.

Bailie is well known as an author that is unafraid to take unique approaches to his craft. In 2005, he participated in a controversial live-art installation called "Novel: A Living Installation at Flux Factory." During the project, he lived in the gallery for two months and wrote while guests watched.

"I do very well in captivity, as it turns out," Bailie said of his month in isolation.

During the live-in art installation he completed two novels, "New Hope for Small Men" and "The Buddha Pill."

Bailie compared books to dreams.

"I like them to go in ways I don't expect," Bailie said. "I want this when I read and when I write."

Bailie's said his novels center around a "nostalgic disappointment in the future."

In "TomorrowLand," Bailie said he wrote the book with an abstract structure.

"The book itself was a lawyer who became a security guard, who became a real estate agent, who became a



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Fiction author Grant Bailie reads an excerpt from his upcoming book "TomorrowLand" on Monday evening in the Haggar College Center at Saint Mary's College.

book," Bailie said as he explained the book's intended format.

The author said he recognizes that depressing sentimentalism doesn't exactly entice

the readers and acknowledges the genius in comic relief. His novels take on a cynical tone rather than a depressed one, he said.

"A great deal of humor keeps

life in perspective," Bailie said. "Any great art has humor in it, like Shakespeare."

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Saint Mary's College redesigns website

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Saint Mary's launched its redesigned website Saturday after over four years of research contributed to the site's facelift.

Junior Kaley Braunsdorf said her first impressions on the new site are positive.

"The website seems easier to navigate," Braunsdorf said. "It's nice to have something new."

Karen McDonald, assistant vice president of marketing communications, said the original site launched in 2007 and over the last four years, a dedicated team collected data to improve the College website.

"We have in the last four years been doing research on prospective students and their parents, to see how they use the website during their college search," McDonald said. "We also use Google analytics, which [director of web and interactive communication] Daniel [Miller] has used to figure out what's working and what's not working."

Miller said one of the main goals of the website redesign was to make information for prospective students more visible on the sight.

"Our primary goal was, based on our research on prospective students, to present information in a better manner," Miller said. "We made more specific sections

for both prospective students and their parents more prominent, but also made specific content areas for professors and current students more prominent."

McDonald said another goal of the redesign was to make the website more interesting and effective.

"We looked a lot at our institutional peers and how they present their websites," she said. "This told us we had opportunities for how we could more effectively and interestingly utilize the sight."

The new website also features links to Facebook and Twitter for the College.

McDonald said the change will help students, faculty and members of the Saint Mary's community navigate the page with ease.

"We really didn't feel

that the old design perspective gave you a place of what Saint Mary's was," she said.

McDonald said now the site is very clean and streamlined.

"After four years, a site tends to get a little muddled," she said.

Senior Becky Johnson noticed the change and said it was for the better.

"It's nice that there is a major page, which is huge," Johnson said. "It was hard to find before, and it allows incoming students to see what Saint Mary's has to offer."

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Karen McDonald
assistant vice president of
marketing communications

SMC sister teams provide support

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When the pressure of schoolwork and sports begins to stress a Saint Mary's athlete, she can turn to a member of her sister team for support. Each year, the Department of Athletics pairs athletic teams as sister teams that support each other throughout their season.

Belles cross-country coach Jackie Bauters said the sister team program is beneficial to student athletes.

"I really like the sister teams because it gives our athletes a way to connect with other athletes who are going through the same things — balancing school and a varsity sport — and it also gives them a way to motivate and encourage each other," Bauters said. "One of the nice things about sister teams is really making the connections and feeling supported by the student body for our student athletes."

The cross-country team is paired with the swim team, Bauters said.

"This year we are doing one of our service events with the swim team over fall break, which should be fun," Bauters said.

In addition to performing service together, sister teams encourage each other in small ways throughout the year.

Junior cross-country runner Angela Nebesny said these little gestures remind each other of support from other

athletes during the season.

"Sister teams make goodie bags and signs for each other wishing the other athletes luck in their meet or game," Nebesny said. "The program also involves trying to attend a meet or game in order to cheer on the other athletes and show support in person. And we usually have team dinners now and then where we get to know the other team on a personal level."

Junior swimmer Kristyn Gerbeth said she also enjoys the support of a sister team.

"There are a number of benefits to the sister team program," Gerbeth said. "It helps to have added support from other girls who are part of a sports team and we all appreciate the time and effort it takes balancing out school and our sport. It's encouraging to see some of our fellow students and friends there cheering for us at our meets. It helps develop new friendships."

Gerbeth and Nebesny are not only members of sister teams, but they are also roommates.

"[Being on sister teams and

rooming together] has brought us closer," Gerbeth said. "We both understand the pressures of having to get up early for those morning practices and not being able to 'go out' with our friends sometimes because of our commitments to our team. I know that I really appreciate having Angela as a roommate because I can talk to her when I get frustrated and I know she understands what I'm going through."

Not only do the sister teams encourage and support one another during practices and competitions, Bauters said they spread awareness on campus of the Saint Mary's athletics.

"Through the sister teams, people bring friends to games or meets that might not otherwise come out," Bauters said. "Hopefully, it brings a larger awareness of our programs to the campus. We have some pretty amazing student-athletes and this is one way to get more people out to see them in action."

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Kristyn Gerbeth
junior swimmer

Rentals

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LeStrange said student government would host a lease fair in the LaFortune Ballroom at the beginning of November.

"We invite landlords and housing agencies to campus so that students can meet the people who have properties for rent," LeStrange said. "Importantly though, we want them to be informed renters — they should see what is available."

Fitzpatrick said the lease fair gives students an opportunity to thoroughly examine the pros and cons of each option.

"I think it will be really constructive, especially if you're looking to get a house since you really need to start that sophomore year," Fitzpatrick said. "You can see what's out there, the price range and what's convenient location-wise."

LeStrange said the student government office also has "Good Neighbor Guides" that provide general information on both renting houses and living off campus.

"Specifically, the 'Living Off Campus' section highlights things like landlord-renter relations, renter's insurance, social gathering information, budgeting and utilities, etc.," LeStrange said.

Despite the challenges, Fitzpatrick said off-campus living is an invaluable experience in college.

"There is a lot of freedom with moving off campus," Fitzpatrick said. "There is more responsibility, but I think it's great for students at this age to be able to live off campus."

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New York City police officers defuse a situation between two Occupy Wall Street protesters in Zuccotti Park.

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years has gone to the top one percent.

"Most people in the streets don't have the statistics to back up their use of the percentages, but they know the system isn't working for them," Sheehan said.

Sheehan said over 50,000 protestors have filled the streets of New York for this reason.

The movement protests the influence of businesses and lobbyists on legislation, and its goal is to encourage the increase in taxes on the wealthy, according to the protest's unofficial website, www.occupywallst.org.

The protestors made their grievances public in a Sept. 29 document titled "Declaration of the Occupation of New York City."

"We come to you at a time when corporations, which place profit over people, self-interest over justice, and oppression over equality, run our governments," the document stated. "We have peaceably assembled here, as is our right, to let these facts be known."

Finance professor Tom Cosimano said the overall decline in the economy created fuel for this growing protest sentiment.

"Unemployment is still above nine percent," he said. "But it's also because it's been up for so long. There's an increase in the duration of unemployment. We haven't had enough economic growth to bring it back to normal."

Cosimano said the economic sector of the federal government is doing almost everything possible to spark financial growth, but its plans are not working.

"The Federal Reserve is doing just about all it can," he said. "In terms of economic stimulation, they've reached their limits. The only other thing they can try is establishing a more coherent policy."

Assistant economics professor Abigail Wozniak, who works with the Federal Reserve in Chicago and walked through protestors in front of the federal building, said the protest

toward the Reserve might be misdirected.

"It's important for students to think hard about which concerns are being well-founded and which ones are based on conspiracy theories, such as the targeting of the Federal Reserve," Wozniak said.

Cosimano said the group's claims about the country's economic breakdown are not unfounded.

"It's reasonable to say that the share of income going to this [top one percent] group has increased," Cosimano said. "That is part of the problem."

However, Sheehan warned against pinning the movement to one specific cause.

"There is a temptation to focus on one thing — but oftentimes that's misleading," he said. "However, if there's one event that triggered the attitude for the protests, it's Arab Spring [the protests in the Middle East taking place since December.]"

Protests in the headlines, even as far away as the Middle East, inspired angry Americans to take a more visible stand by starting the Occupy movement, Sheehan said.

While Wozniak said comparing the group to protestors in the Arab Spring is too strong for the Occupy protestors, she hopes something good comes of the movement.

"I don't see that this group has had much of an impact yet," she said. "But this is also a part of the group that elected President Barack Obama. They come out for big changes."

Sheehan said the biggest difficulties for the Occupy Wall Street protests would lie in weather and news media.

"It will become difficult as it gets cold," he said. "Also, the other question isn't about the people in the park — that will eventually become old news. The success of the movement will reflect when it's truly picked up nationwide. Compare them back to the protests of the Vietnam War. The protests only worked once Middle America said, 'No. This doesn't work for me.'"

Abigail Wozniak
assistant economic professor

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a Holy Cross priest, worked with members of the Maryknoll order in Latin America. He said the work of Maryknoll ministers reflects the mission of the Church as a whole.

“Maryknoll has an awareness of the Church and the role of the laity,” Pelton said. “As [French theologian] Yves Congar said, ‘It’s not the walls, but the faithful who are the Church.’”

Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, a religious order of Catholic missionaries, began over 100 years ago, Pelton said.

Thesing worked in Tanzania, Mozambique, Nairobi and Southern Sudan as a Maryknoll missionary. He said his time in Africa taught him how to serve a community with both political and religious conflicts.

“Proclamation is one of the key elements of mission, but with that is the development of the human person,” Thesing said.

One religious problem in Africa lies in the lack of an organized church structure to organize and inform the local people, he said.

“Since 1973, the model for the Church in Africa has been small Christian communities,” Thesing said. “We need to respect their culture and simply offer an opportunity.”

On a political front, Thesing said the biggest problems are the lack of the rule of law and

an excessive concentration of power.

“Africa faces the challenge of bringing power down to the lower levels,” Thesing said.

While Thesing witnessed a fair presidential election in Mozambique, he said he thought it was unfair that the president then appointed all lower officials. The local people did not have the chance to elect governors, district administrators and mayors in their provinces, he said.

Southern Sudan also tends to be more divided on ethnic lines than by its provincial boundaries, Thesing said. The area contains 42 different ethnic groups.

“Many Africans put ethnic group above nation,” Thesing said.

Fr. Stephen Judd spent his missionary career in Latin America, and his first missionary experience took place in Peru.

Judd said Maryknoll first entered Latin America in 1942 and operated with traditional notions of creating parishes and building churches.

However, when these missionaries entered rural areas, Thesing said they first needed to address the region’s poverty.

After building a longstanding relationship with the local communities in Latin America, Judd said Maryknoll missionaries do help build churches around the region as they move from town to town.

“Maryknoll was sensing a shift at that time in Latin America from people living in the country to living in cities,” Judd said. “Our mission is now generative.”

Judd also acknowledged that they have had some trouble with more conservative church organizations.

“We locked horns with Opus Dei and were thrown out of a place in Peru where we had worked for 70 years,” Judd said.

As these priests manage conflicts in their work around the globe, Pelton said the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers are a good example for other missionaries.

“They are not afraid to say what works and what doesn’t work,” Pelton said. “They are a wonderful example of the Church in mission yesterday, today and tomorrow.”

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Fr. Ken Thesing
missionary priest

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psychology program to a University with an eminent, and arguably top-10 program,” he said. “This is, in my opinion, an accomplishment of unprecedented proportions.”

The program began in 2006, and Monroe estimated that the development of an accredited clinical psychology program has taken at least a decade to plan.

“Accreditation by the APA signifies that the clinical program at Notre Dame now adheres to the standards of the APA for doctoral training of graduate students with respect to quality of instruction in the science and practice of clinical [psychology],” Monroe said.

Monroe said the APA accreditation gives Notre Dame graduate students an edge over others in their field.

“This allows our students to be highly competitive in a major field of psychology and to do research and teaching on topics that are core to the mission of Notre Dame,” he said.

The requirements for accreditation are extensive and include specific stipulations regarding coursework, research training and clinical practice, Monroe said.

“We apply for accreditation with a document that attest to these achievements,” he said. “It represents quite an extensive and rigorous piece of information regarding our

program over the past several years.”

David Smith, former director of the program, said this recognition is important for Notre Dame because the APA is the only organization authorized by the Department of Education to accredit psychology programs.

“It provides ongoing evaluation and certification of the programs quality,” Smith said. “APA accreditation is the standard by which outside agencies evaluate our graduates.”

Smith said the program is designed to produce doctoral students in clinical psychology that will become the next generation of top researchers in the field.

A variety of research areas are represented in the program, Smith said.

“There is a particular strength in mood disorders,” Smith said. “We have people studying sleep, marriage and relationships, health, stress and biology. There are also other traditional clinical psychology areas covered like eating and personality disorders and child clinical psychology.”

The program has hired four nationally recognized clinical psychologists and five assistant professors since 2006, Smith said.

“That’s tremendous growth to go along with the accreditation of the program,” Smith said. “I expect it to really flourish in the next few years.”

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So come the seasons

For all the warm weather enthusiasts out there, of which I'm sure there are plenty, these past few days of sun and high temperatures have been a blessing. Having returned not too long ago from a semester abroad in Australia, I admit I had gotten used to warm temperatures and even taken sunny weather for granted a time or two. But over the past month or so, as South Bend weather settled into a brisk chill, I began to bitterly accept the inevitable — that fall and winter are on its way, and at some point in the near future, I will most likely have to endure temperatures in the negative.

No doubt, South Bend weather can have its upsides. When the temperatures drop down to freezing in mid to late November, the student population awaits one of their most beloved traditions, the first snowball fight of the year. In line with Notre Dame students' usual competitive nature, this event is taken seriously. Teams are formed. Sides are taken. One of my favorite Notre Dame memories harkens back to my freshman year during the 2008 North Quad/South Quad snowball fight. Noticing the light snow flurries falling outside our windows, my friends and I pulled on our snow boots, scarves, gloves, hats and coats and hiked outside through the freshly fallen snow, leaving footprints in our wake.

It was like Disneyland for freshman students who had never seen snow before and even for me, who had grown up in North Carolina and only seen half an inch of snow every few years. Who knows who threw the first snowball, but before we knew it, a small intimate snowball fight among friends grew into a full-fledged snowball battle with masses of students joining in the fun. We played in the snow like candy-crazed kids until our hands and feet went numb, and afterward escaped the cold back in our dorm rooms with hot chocolate, our boots, coats and scarves strewn about the hallway. That same weekend during the final home football game against Syracuse, students recklessly threw snow right and left, leading Notre Dame to enforce a strict "no snowball fights in the stands" policy.

Other Notre Dame winter traditions include stealing food trays from the dining halls and using them as toboggans. And a brave, if senseless, few venture out to the lake when it's frozen and test the ice by walking across it. Notre Dame students definitely know how to make the most out of the cold weather.

I certainly prefer the warmth to South Bend's usual bitter cold. By February each year, the snow's appeal has usually worn off and it merely becomes an unwanted obstacle on the way to class. Nonetheless, cold weather is a large part of the Notre Dame school year and it does have its upsides from time to time. Six months out of the year, it gives students an excuse to stay inside and be the diligent hard-working students that we are. So I will enjoy the sunny weather while it's still here and embrace the snow when it's time to fall and simply take the seasons as they come.

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Alex Kilpatrick

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Midterms and mark-to-market

Midterms. That week directly preceding fall break when everyone has 12 exams, four papers, two presentations and a problem set due. No one likes midterms.

You know what else no one likes? Accounting. All of you accounting majors out there can jabber all you want about job security and how much you like financial statements, but eventually the truth will come out. Accounting is like your Great Aunt Mildred: boring, fussy and smells a little like a dusty basement.

Okay so the last part might not actually be true, but at least we can establish that no one really likes accounting. Accounting and midterms are things we endure because someone, whether it's our professor or the Securities and Exchange Commission, says we have to.

General animosity is not the only way midterms are a lot like accounting. Specifically, midterms are a lot like mark-to-market accounting. Mark-to-market is the practice of accounting for assets and liabilities at current market prices or some other objective "fair" value.

Under mark-to-market, if you bought a futon three years ago,

you would value that futon at whatever price you could sell it for today. Which, given the ways college students typically abuse futons would likely be much lower than the price you originally paid.

This seems reasonably intuitive. The alternative is historical cost accounting, which values assets and liabilities based on past transaction prices. Using historical cost, you would value your futon at the price you paid three years ago.

So how is mark-to-market a lot like midterms? Midterms are when we mark our semesters to market. Like it or not, they force us to revalue our expectations of our grades and base them on how much we've actually learned over the past eight weeks rather than our hopeful assumptions that we have picked something up from sitting in class and flipping through the book.

Since we don't like midterms, should we also not like mark-to-market? It seems so straightforward and fair, but at the same time it's kind of unnerving.

What if the market isn't where we want it to be? What if your Theology TA is an unreasonably difficult paper grader or if your math teacher doesn't set a curve until the end of the semester? What if you aren't feeling well during the test, or if there's another weather-related emergency? When conditions are such that market prices (your grades) aren't good estimates of actual value, marking-to-market seems a whole lot less fair.

Mark-to-market was a controversial topic during the recent financial crisis. When markets were going up, valuing assets at market prices wasn't a problem. But, when the bubble burst and stock and bond markets plunged worldwide, the market prices of everything fell too, and some markets disappeared completely without willing buyers or sellers. Suddenly, the assets firms held were worth a lot less. Banks were forced to sell their assets at the low prices simply because they needed cash to continue operating, which only exacerbated the problem. Several rounds of failures, mergers and bailouts later, people wondered if mark-to-market rules were partially to blame for the severity of the crisis.

While mark-to-market might not be an appropriate measure of value in periods of crisis or high volatility, it is hard to see how a different method would be better. As much as we may not like the roller coaster reality mark-to-market forces us to face, it is, in fact, reality, and it would be hard to argue that banks and other investors should operate outside of reality. Mark-to-market is a useful benchmark because sooner or later we're going to have to take that final exam.

See, midterms aren't so bad after all.

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Opinions and Futures

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"As the poet said, 'Only God can make a tree' — probably because it's so hard to figure out how to get the bark on."

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Fare thee well, PC

On June 6, Steve Jobs made his last public appearance as Apple Computer's CEO to demonstrate new features that would empower and "redefine" iOS devices (iPhone, iPod touch and iPad). Scott Forstall, senior Vice President of iOS, and Jobs took the congregated nerd masses at Apple's World Wide Developer's Conference in San Francisco on a tour of an operating system more influential than the hardware it sits on. The Apple team excited the attendees with astronomical projections, wowed them with the promise of new technology, stole their hearts with long awaited features, then told them the software would be available months after the press release. After four months of development and fine-tuning, iOS 5 will be available for public release Tuesday, Oct. 12.

Apple touts the statistic of "over 200 new features" in their upcoming mobile operating system, though a significantly smaller number will be seen and used regularly. Most of the new features operate under the skin of the operating system, making it more stable, faster, usable and connected. The more visually active features are less impressive on their own, but the implications of the operating system, when all features are working in symphony, are grand.

When Apple announced the iPad 2 this past March, Steve Jobs proclaimed that we are in a "post-PC" world. The paradigm of desktop computing with full sized keyboards, clunky mice and non-portable towers is over. The same paradigm that Jobs built out of his garage and solidified with the release of the Macintosh in 1984 was ending.

To clear room for new creation, Steve Jobs would be leading Apple in desktop computing's destruction.

Well, we've been living in the "post-PC" world for some time now. Our primary computing power has moved from our desks to our pockets. In the age of mobile, tablet and ultra-portable technology, we interact with graceful natural gestures on smooth panes of glass. No stylus, keyboard or mouse is wanted here. The smartphones that preceded the iPhone failed because they attempted to bring a desktop experience to the mobile environment. Apple led the way by deciding that users needed a different way to interact with mobile devices. iOS 5 is the final nail in the PC paradigm's coffin. Now it's just a matter of cleaning up the remnants of the PC dynasty. What's so indicative of the permanence of this new "post-PC" paradigm is not that iOS app development represents a three billion dollar market, or that Apple's leadership in the field has made it the most valuable company in the world.

The fuel making all this possible is the fact that these emerging and rapidly developing technologies genuinely do make people's lives more efficient, informed and interconnected. Having used iOS 5 in its various developer iterations for the past four months on both the iPad and iPhone platform, I can personally vouch for its ability to fuse technical efficiency and human delicacy into a life augmenting product.

From the "over 200" features included in iOS 5, there are five that have had the biggest impact upon my normal use: Notification Center, iMessage, WiFi Syncing, PC-Free configuration and improved Camera options. It is entirely acceptable for Android users and Jailbreakers (people who hack iOS to give

it additional, non-endorsed features) to question the real novelty of the additions. Well, the computer mouse was made in 1952 as part of the Canadian military's DATAR project, but it wasn't made useful until 1984 with the release of the original Macintosh. Apple is notorious for taking the technology of geekdom and improving upon it until everyone can use it intuitively.

Notification Center acts as a non-intrusive hub for your digital life. When text messages, Facebook notifications, emails, Twitter replies, etc. are pushed to the device, a small banner appears with a ticker animation on the top of the screen allowing action to occur without interruption. To access all notifications, calendar events, reminders, weather widget, etc. the user performs a natural finger swipe down from the top of the screen. iMessages is a communicative messaging platform integrated directly with the SMS (texting) application. Whenever a user sends a message to someone also on iOS 5, an iMessage will supplant an outgoing SMS.

Without people knowing it, they will be sending fewer text messages, taking the power out of the wireless carrier's hands with their exorbitant SMS pricing and into the user's hands. iMessages can contain text, images, video, contacts and geo-locations and are synchronous across all iOS 5 devices — what you see on your iPhone is what you'll see on your iPad or iPod Touch. PC-free configuration is hallmark of our "post-PC" world. Your "iDevice" no longer needs to connect with a computer to activate, initialize and configure. It is a self-contained unit beholden to no hub.

To take it a step further, WiFi synchronization transfers iTunes data to

your device cable free. So long as your computer and Apple product are on the same WiFi network, all songs, movies, photos, calendars, contacts and mail will sync when you plug it in at night. As the photo sensors in smartphones have improved they have taken the place of standard point and shoot cameras. With the new photo functions in iOS 5, it takes 1.5 seconds from waking the iPhone to taking a picture. No more fumbling with settings and apps as the ideal photo moment passes by. Improved image processing allows for better autofocus, exposure and on-board image editing (color correction, red-eye, cropping). The entire photographic workflow occurs on the device.

No feature on its own adequately warrants an update to get overly excited about. Yet, the collective effect of the newest free upgrade is refined and powerful. We are in a "post-PC" world and the independence granted to devices by iOS 5 is an indicative of such. iOS 5 creates space between the mobile device and the computer and carrier while bringing it closer to the user. There is no doubt that Windows Phone and Android are scrambling to compete with the fluid and cohesive presentation of features in iOS 5. The tech giants at Apple, Microsoft and Google are no longer fighting for the fastest specs — the battle is no longer Mac vs. PC. The only important distinction is whether a technology takes a step into the future or holds to a relic of the obsolete past. iOS 5 takes a leap. Fare thee well, PC.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Game weekend anthems

Dear Mr. Labate,

In response to your Letter to the Editor dated Oct. 9 ("God-Quad's playlist") I would like to express my horror at your request to censor a form of free expression. First of all (and I feel like this argument is rather clichéd but worth pointing out), we Otters have always felt a strong feeling of individualism and will always reserve our first amendment rights of free speech and expression. Secondly, it is unfair to punish us or even reprimand us for disregarding our proximity to the Basilica. I am in my fourth year in Sorin, and I can tell you honestly that we have always paid proper respects to the events going on at the Basilica by cancelling social gatherings during funerals, weddings and masses. Thirdly, it is a football weekend and you will hear classic "pump-up" songs all over campus. It is completely unfair for you to ask us to turn our music down because of our adjacency to the Basilica, especially when housing assignments are done randomly.

DMX's "Party Up (Up in Here)" is an ideal anthem for game weekend Fridays because it expresses two very crucial themes of football. First of all, the focus of the verses is centered around the conquering of rivals. Secondly, the refrain states that, "y'all gon' make me lose my mind ... go all out ... act a fool ... [and] lose my cool, up in here." This is a clear reference to how the audience is supposed to react in the stands on Saturday afternoons. Too many times, Notre Dame Stadium has been criticized as being on the quieter side. We Otters were merely trying to galvanize not only the student body, but also the entire 80,000-plus fans on campus to loudly support our Irish by disregarding their inhibitions and act like fools while cheering our players onwards to victory.

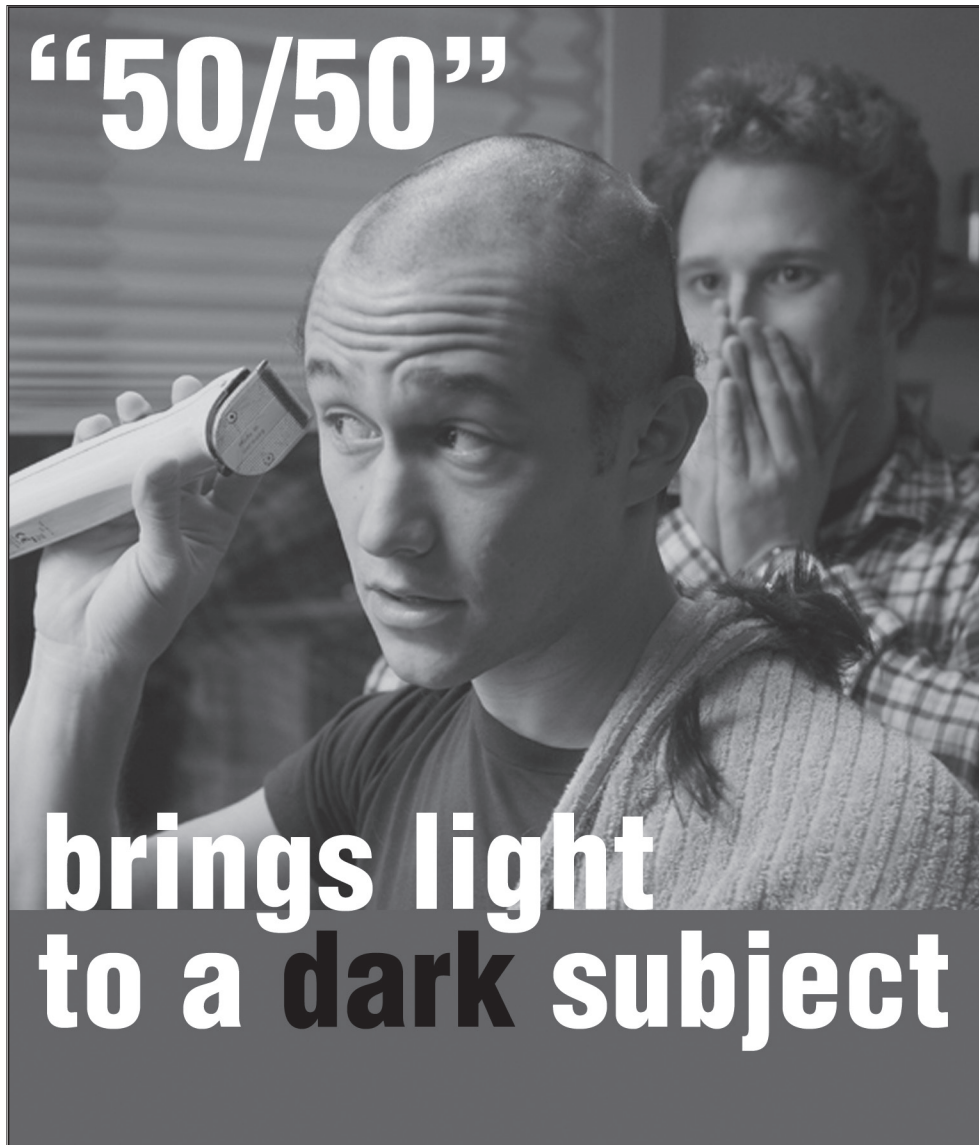
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EDITORIAL CARTOON



“50/50”



**brings light
to a dark subject**

By ONYINYECHUKWU
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Scene Writer

Inspired by a true story loosely based on the screenwriter Will Reiser, “50/50” is a story about friendship, love, family and how all these play an essential role in helping us get past our struggles and challenges in life.

It also shows how anyone can have a good laugh even at the saddest of times. The movie uses sarcasm to enforce the tragic-comic effect, which makes scenes humorous despite the sad circumstances.

Adam (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) and Kyle (Seth Rogen) are best friends, and Rachael (Bryce Dallas Howard) is Adam’s girlfriend. Adam goes to the doctor to complain of back pains and discovers that he has a rare type of cancer that leaves him with a 50 percent chance of survival. He finds it difficult to accept this after living a very healthy lifestyle.

Adam has to undergo chemotherapy in order to reduce the tumor in his spine. When he finds out that his cancer is not responding to the treatment, his last resort is to undergo surgery. During this period, Adam struggles to accept his fate, and the events that take place during this period change his view of life.

Adam learns the importance of friendship because his best friend, Kyle, stands by him throughout this period. He learns the importance of love as he splits up with his girlfriend but then falls in love with his psychiatrist. He also recognizes the importance of family as he finally opens up to his worried mother and expresses his love to his sick father.

Adam’s character is, more or less, the detached, calm, sarcastic one. This is in direct contrast to Kyle, who has a wild, open, impulsive and out-going personality. Kyle is always straight to the point about his intentions. Adam’s mother, Diane (Anjelica Huston), acts as any mother in this situation would.

Katherine, his psychiatrist, is a caring but confused character.

The best parts of the movie were the saddest and yet most bitingly sarcastic moments. The environment in the movie is dull, allowing the audience to perceive the sad, solemnity of the situation.

The story line also seems completely realistic, making it easy for viewers to feel some kind of empathy when watching the movie. Despite the depressing story line, the characters relate to each other in a sarcastic way that made the different scenes both funny and sad. Achieving this level of complexity is a testament to the effective directing.

The choice of actors is also spot-on. As seen in “500 Days of Summer” and “Inception,” Joseph Gordon is easily able to play the role of a calm and somewhat detached person. Rogen, who has starred in comedy movies like “Superbad,” easily fit the role of Kyle in this movie. Kyle is the life of the movie and the center of most of the funny scenes.

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“50/50”
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By COURTNEY ECKERLE
Scene Writer

Everyone needs a good fairy tale, especially during the stressful, nowhere-near-a-fairy-tale week before fall break. So take a study siesta, log onto Netflix and replace sweatpants and books with ball gowns and glittery shoes. Once the elderly Grande Dame of France calls the Brothers Grimm into her palace to tell them the “real” story of Cinderella, the shot centers around the light of a television for a little 21st century story time. “Now then,” she says. “What is that phrase you use? Oh yes, ‘Once upon a time...’”

Set in renaissance-era France, all of the pesky supernatural Fairy Godmother and pumpkin carriage stuff is taken out, which is a fantastic change for old Cindy. In true 90s girl power form, Drew Barrymore is a progressive and capable Cinderella, named Danielle de Barbarac. All the elements are present: her father dies at a young age, leaving her with both a love for books (girl power) and an unloving stepmother with two daughters. Anjelica Huston is the perfect evil stepmother — cold, detached, not completely evil, but ultimately irredeemable — so you don’t feel bad for her when she inevitably falls.

The semi-ridiculous aspects of the movie come in when you realize that even though the movie is set in France, the entire cast has British accents. Even Barrymore, who puts a lot of spunk into it, just can’t pull it off. Also, Prince Charming, or Henry, the Crowned Prince of France, is introduced as he is running away from home, despite the fact that he looks about 30-years-old in this movie. While he is being chased by castle guards, he stops to help an older man who is being robbed, and retrieves his “most prized possession” from them, which turns out to be the Mona Lisa. (Because muggers often

take rolled up pieces of parchment instead of money.) But this all makes sense when you find out that the old man is Leonardo da Vinci. Yep, that da Vinci is a wonder. Not only did he give the world the Mona Lisa and countless inventions, but he also played matchmaker for Cinderella and Prince Charming. Henry and Danielle meet while she is pretending to be a noblewoman in order to save their household servant from being sold into slavery. Classic hijinks ensue. He thinks she’s a rich noblewoman, she isn’t, they get robbed by suspiciously Robin Hood-like gypsies whom they soon make friends with and share a romantic

evening chewing on rabbit legs around the bonfire, the usual. In true good/bad movie fashion, none of that ridiculous stuff matters because of some mysterious element that keeps you glued to the television and happily crying onto your untouched homework once the credits roll. Basically, this movie is a way to de-stress, relax and wish that you were a well-read house servant who one day does a good deed and lands the prince of France out of it. It could totally happen. Contact Courtney Eckerle at cecker01@saintmarys.edu

FOREIGN F D FINDS



Once when asked what my favorite type of food was, I responded that it was a tie between Indian food and Thai ... pun intended. So this past week, a few friends and I ventured into the vibrant and lively downtown South Bend on the prowl for the best Thai food in the area. Looking into many of the standard restaurant review sites, we had it narrowed down to Siam Thai or Cambodian Thai, only two blocks away from each other. We had nine people, and looking through the window into Cambodian Thai, it was clear they did not have the space to seat us and we were not too keen on eating our meals on a bench in the city, sharing what we had with the pigeons. So because of this slight hiccup, we walked over to Siam Thai and were immediately seated at the beautifully decorated and classy restaurant. The menu was leather bound and the room smelled of rich mahogany. It was one of those restaurants thinking it to be so classy indeed that the price for each dish was not listed as a number in a column on one side of the page, but instead written out in words at the end of the dish’s description. Beyond the leather bound book handed to each of us, there were pages of fancy wine lists and an entire menu of teas. Our table opted for a pot of kiwi plum green tea to sip on before and after our meal. The subtle yet distinct flavors made for incredible tea, but unfortunately that subtlety carried over to the dishes as well. The menu lists those supposedly spicy items with one or two asterisks, and being a fan of strong flavor and spices, I ordered the



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classic Thai green curry, or “Keow Wan,” anticipating a “two star” kick. Yet I was left wanting more, and the dish, though tasty, did not deliver. Those of my friends less exposed to the foods of the world were very pleased with the dishes and thoroughly enjoyed the trip, but the overall consensus was that the food could have had stronger flavor. Some of the other dishes we went for included the “Masaman” peanut curry, which ironically was strong on the peanut but again light on spice, the “Khao Pad” fried rice, and “Goong Kra Tium” sautéed shrimp with vegetables. The dishes were beautiful, both in their looks and descriptions as you can see, but as a whole our impression was that the restaurant was more focused on the aesthetic, and could do a bit more work on their food itself.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

A farewell to Avery

The NHL is back on the ice after this weekend's opening slate of games, and that brings with it all the excitement of the early season, as teams try to start out hot, shuffle their lines and finalize which players from training camp will grind out a spot on the team.



Jack Hefferon
Sports Writer

In that period of roster moves last week, the New York Rangers waived forward Sean Avery in a move that surprised pretty much no one in the hockey community. Avery was a constant nuisance in the locker room, known better for quotes after the game than his play during it. He was ineffective, overpaid and was even a healthy scratch from the lineup on a number of occasions towards the end of last season.

After signing marquee free agent Brad Richards over the summer, waiving Avery took care of an unneeded distraction for a team that could very well contend for a Cup. Releasing Avery was the right move, for all the right reasons.

And as a Rangers fan, it broke my heart.

Avery has never held the good-guy, family-friendly, Jeter-esque image that normally endears an athlete to fans. He had two separate stints with the Rangers, both of which started because of other teams getting rid of him after suspensions. The first came from a locker room screaming match with an announcer nearly twice his age, and the second was from accusing an opposing player of dating his "sloppy seconds" on TV. Combine that was his notoriety for cheap shots on the ice and his outspoken passion for fashion (he interned at Vogue magazine in the offseason), and Avery becomes a case study in how not to win over hockey fans.

The off-ice shenanigans made most fans dislike Avery, but his play could be even worse. He held possession far too long, and never seemed to take care of the puck. He seemed apathetic and downright lazy, and was sometimes booed by the fans.

Every once in a while, though, Avery would have a game that made it all worth it. When he decided to turn it on, the dial would go straight to 12, and no one could do anything

about it. With one game, he could win over the fans who otherwise had no inclination to cheer his name.

My Avery game was a ho-hum, mid-season showdown on Jan. 6, 2010 against his former employer — the Dallas Stars. In a rare move, he downplayed the chance at revenge in the media, and instead saved it for the ice.

With a fire in his belly and rage in his heart, Avery took off like a malevolent pinball from the first drop of the puck. Avery found his teammates in open spaces, was a wizard with the puck, and hit somebody after every single whistle, including goals. He racked up penalties for misconduct and unnecessary roughness, and had every single Stars player gunning for his head. And after being kept off the score sheet in his previous 19 games, Avery's statline ended like this:

1 G, 3 A, 4 Pts, 12 Penalty Minutes. Rangers 5, Stars 2. The faithful at Madison Square Garden chanted down "AVERY, AVERY!" from the blue seats, and for one magical anomaly of a night, all was forgiven.

Yes, the move to release him was the right one. Avery would have been only a hindrance to an otherwise young, driven and talented team. He could have gone on to torment another team, but thanks to a recent incident involving a giant house party and assaulting a police officer, not a single team picked Avery up off waivers, reverting him to the Rangers' minor league affiliate, where he can be called up at any time.

Come March, the Rangers could be well on their way to a Stanley Cup run, with a big divisional lead and great team chemistry. But maybe, just maybe, they'll be flat, and tired and banged up, with a big matchup ahead of them. They'll need someone who can get in the face of his teammates and get inside the heads of every one of his opponents. They'll need someone who can take the game over, turn it on its head, and win it singlehandedly. They'll need a player who can win over fans with just one great performance that keeps them coming back.

They'll need Sean Avery.

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CLUB SPORTS

Men's Volleyball grounds Air Force

Men's, women's rugby earn victories; men's rowing competes

Special to The Observer

The Irish won in a best-of-five match against Air Force on Friday at Rolf's Sports Recreation Center.

Notre Dame took a one-set lead after a solid performance in its first set of the year, winning 25-20. Air Force, led by a high-flying right side, came back to take the second set 25-22.

In the pivotal third set, both teams gave it all they could and went into extra points. Senior captain Joshua Rehberg served the final point and the Irish ended up winning, 32-30. The Irish went on to win the last set, 25-19, and take the match. Key players for the Irish were the two All-American hitters, senior Kevin Padden and junior Rob Bauer. Padden made the switch back to outside hitter this year after playing right side all last year. He is returning to his true form with the dominant hitting performance he showed against the Falcons.

The Irish were national runner-up last year, and finished the season ranked second. The club is intent on taking the final step this year to the national championship.

Men's Rugby

The stage was set. In only their third match-up between two historic programs, the Irish were ready to face Air Force in the first night game in the history of the program.

With the stands filled with eager fans, the Irish wasted no time at the start of the match and took an early lead. However, Notre Dame was unable to maintain it for the win and Air Force came away with a 19-17 victory.

Helped by a few line breaks at the start of the match, the Irish found themselves within the Falcons 10-meter line. The ball got to flyhalf Byron Henry, who broke a tackle and scored under the posts. Henry then converted the score, and the Irish were up 7-0.

The two teams battled for position, and the Irish were banging on the Falcons' door, however a costly turnover prevented them from scoring. Luckily, the Irish won the opposition's scrum,

and the ball was kicked out to outside center Ryan Mitchell who reversed field and dove into the try zone. A missed conversion left the Irish with a 12-7 lead at halftime.

The score was 17-7 in Notre Dame's favor, however, the Falcons did not give up. They continued to put together attacks, and managed to drive into the Irish 10-meter line. There they powered their way over the line to put them within one score. They converted that try to bring the score to 17-14.

As the two teams jockeyed for position in the closing moments of the game, Air Force continued to pressure the Irish. Deep in their own territory, the Irish made goal line stand after goal line stand and held off the Falcons. But as time ticked away and play continued, a Falcon forward picked the loose ball off a ruck and managed to dive into the corner of the try zone.

Air Force won the match, 19-17.

Women's Rugby

Notre Dame and Indiana went head-to-head Sunday in the women's second league game of the season and the Irish dominated their opponent on their home field for a 25-10 win.

The Hoosiers received the ball to start, but the Irish launched forward and were able to gain possession on the ball as the Hoosiers struggled to field it. After a few phases, the Irish were successfully able to create an imbalance in the Hoosier defense.

The ball was passed out to outside center Ashley Okonta, who ran the ball in for a try. Sophomore Amelia Vojt made the conversion kick, putting the Irish at an early 7-0 lead.

The Irish continued to use their backline to challenge Indiana's defense, leading to another try by fullback Natalie Branch. Vojt again kicked to convert the try but missed, bringing the half-time score to 18-0.

In the second half, the Hoosiers were more successful. The team took advantage of offensive overloads created to get past Irish defense, and scored twice. The Irish also scored again in the second half with a dive into the try

zone by flyhalf Kayla Bishop. Indiana was unsuccessful in converting their tries, while Vojt made the conversion kick for the Irish, bringing the final score to 25-10.

The Irish are ready to take their momentum with them as they travel to Columbus, Ohio to challenge Ohio State Sunday.

Men's Rowing

On Sunday morning, Notre Dame took to the waters of the Rock River in Rockford, Ill. for the Head of the Rock Regatta and demonstrated its depth against other top Midwest teams.

To kick off the morning, the Irish sent out a pair, Garrett Campbell and Tim Parks, who rowed to a fourth-place finish in the Open 2-event, finishing the 5K race in 18 minutes and 11 seconds. Irish coach Kurt Butler then rowed his single to a fifth place finish in the Master's Single event.

The Irish eights took second, eighth, eleventh and twelfth out of 21 boats in the Novice 8+ event, with only Michigan finishing ahead of the top novice boat. Each of the other novice boats outclassed their respective competition.

Then came the Notre Dame Collegiate Fours. The Irish took fourth, seventh and 13th out of 25 boats in this event, again demonstrating a tremendous level of depth. Soon after the lightweight four came three Irish doubles, which took second, sixth, and seventh in their event, the Open 2x.

The afternoon brought the Notre Dame Varsity Eights to the water. The Irish Varsity Eight finished in second place in the Collegiate 8+ event, with the Second Varsity Eight finishing in eighth and the Third Varsity Eight finishing in ninth. The second place finish represents the top finish for the Irish at the Head of the Rock Regatta, matching last year's Varsity Eight.

Two novice eights were sent out for their second race of the day in the Collegiate 8+ event, rowing to 14th and 22nd place finishes.

The Irish now will return to training, working on their top-end speed for two weeks in preparation for the Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston on Oct. 22-23.

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You see that guy? That was me not so long ago. What kind of guy without a drug or alcohol problem looks this way? Only a writer.

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Rhythm

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was a victory for us,” senior captain Maria Lynch said. “It is hard to get people to come out before midterms. However, girls stepped up and filled in to play new positions they have not been accustomed to.”

Lynch also hopes to have the Babes work on defense and have a more fluid offense before the next game.

“The next game is in three weeks,” Lynch said. “We have to keep working hard. The big factor is to not get stuck, stay loose and know our place.”

Pasquerilla West will take on Farley and Breen-Phillips will face Badin on Oct. 30.

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Cavanaugh 6, Farley 0

By BRIAN HARTNETT
Sports Writer

In a battle of two undefeated teams, Cavanaugh emerged victorious, defeating Farley 6-0 in a hard-fought defensive contest Sunday.

Cavanaugh’s defense, a unit that has posted four shutouts in five games, recorded three key interceptions. Junior cornerback Rosemary Kelly set the tone early for the Chaos (5-0), intercepting a pass deep in Farley territory on the second play of the game.

Three plays later, senior quarterback Rebecca Cink found senior receiver Megan Robertson on a 7-yard touchdown pass to put the Chaos on the board.

However, Cavanaugh’s lead was in doubt until the last play of the game, when Chaos junior cornerback Michelle Young

halted a Farley comeback attempt by intercepting Farley senior quarterback Megan Bastedo’s pass.

“I knew that the ball was coming my way, as Farley had been throwing to that one receiver all night, and I just let my adrenaline carry me,” Young said. “We have a really athletic defense, and we had really worked hard to prepare for this game.”

Farley (4-1) was anchored by a tenacious red zone defense, as the Finest stopped Cavanaugh in the red zone on three consecutive possessions in the second half. Despite the defensive efforts, Farley’s offense was severely limited, failing to reach the red zone in the game.

“We saw what their defense was giving us, but we still couldn’t execute today,” Bastedo said. “Our defense did a great job of holding them, but we needed to score some points.”

Cavanaugh hopes to remain undefeated when it plays Howard on Oct.30, while Farley looks to improve its playoff ranking when it faces Pasquerilla West the same day.

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Welsh Family 27, Walsh 6

By ALLY DARRAGH
Sports Writer

Welsh Family defeated Walsh on Sunday in a 27-6 victory that pushes the Whirlwind closer to a playoff berth.

“Our team played with a lot of spirit today,” Welsh Family coach Joe Sorice said. “The girls wanted it up-tempo. They wanted to blitz and there was no holding them back.”

Both teams came ready to play and made adjustments as necessary throughout the game.

Defense was a large factor in the outcome of this matchup but in the end, the Whirlwind (3-2) simply couldn’t be defeated.

“We brought great pressure and I think that the defense made some great adjustments,” Sorice said. “We only had two practices this week but we wasted no time. We went back to our defense from two years ago and I’m glad it worked.”

After a tough season, Walsh (0-4-1) is looking to capture a win in the last game of the season.

“We are going to come out really hard for the Chicks,” junior captain Lindy Navarre said. “We have had a tough season but have also had so much fun as a team. Our team has grown a lot. We are ready for a victory against Lewis to end our season.”

Walsh will face Lewis while Welsh Family will take on Lyons on Oct. 30.

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Howard 6, Pangborn 0

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Sports Writer

In what looked to be a stalemate, this intense matchup came down to wire as Howard scored with 30 seconds left to give the Ducks a 6-0 win over Pangborn.

The game-winning score for the Ducks (2-3) came on a 12-yard pass from junior quarterback Katharine Mack to sophomore center Amelia Vojt.

“It was a great feeling to get that touchdown,” Vojt said. “It’s a surprise play for the center to get the ball.”

The play was sprung by a roughing the passer penalty on 4th down at Pangborn’s 22 yard line.

“That was extremely frustrat-

ing. It didn’t look like she was hit,” senior captain Liz Pawlak said. “A call like that at the end of the game to give them the first down leaves a bad taste in the mouth.”

Both defenses were solid throughout the game, as Pangborn (2-4) racked up three interceptions and three sacks while Howard had five interceptions and one sack.

“The defense played really well again,” Pawlak said. “We just couldn’t score.”

But Howard’s offense took advantage of the one opportunity

it got. The Ducks’ usual starting quarterback, freshman Lauren Gabel, was unable to make the game but Mack came through when she was most needed.

“Katherine played really tough and was there for the team when we had to have a big play,” senior captain Jenny Garner said.

The Ducks will face Cavanaugh on Oct. 30 while Pangborn has no remaining regular season games left.

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Margeaux Prinster evades a tackler in Walsh’s 12-12 tie with Pasquerilla East in week two. Walsh fell to Welsh Family 27-6 on Sunday.

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NFL

Browns’ DE breaks arm

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — On the first day back from their bye week, the Cleveland Browns suffered an injury that could have been so much worse.

Defensive end Marcus Benard broke his arm in a motorcycle accident Monday shortly after the team’s practice ended.

Coach Pat Shurmur said Benard will be transferred to Cleveland Clinic to undergo more tests and evaluation. The 26-year-old Benard crashed his motorcycle on Interstate-71 about 90 minutes after the Browns wrapped up their first practice in preparation for Sunday’s game in Oakland.

Benard, a backup who has played in all four games this season, will likely miss significant time and may have to go on injured reserve. But it appears he was lucky to avoid a more serious injury.

Police are still investigating Benard’s crash. It’s not yet known if any other vehicles were involved in the accident.

As they returned from a week of rest and review, the Browns (2-2) practiced without two starters: top cornerback Joe Haden and Pro Bowl center Alex Mack.

Haden, who has played at a Pro Bowl level through four games, sprained his left knee last week against Tennessee. Shurmur said the team decided to have

Haden stay inside to rehab his injury. Mack was on the field with his teammates but only as a spectator after undergoing an appendectomy last week.

Losing Haden or Mack for any period of time would be a major blow to the Browns. They are two of Cleveland’s best and most indispensable players.

Backup Steve Vallos filled in for Mack with Cleveland’s first-team offense. Nickel back Dimitri Patterson was in Haden’s corner spot opposite Sheldon Brown.

Benard was initially taken to MetroHealth Medical Center following his crash. He was able to speak on the phone with trainer Joe Sheehan, who joined him at the hospital.

Benard overcame long odds to make it to the NFL. He was signed by the Browns as an undrafted free agent in 2009. He spent the first nine weeks of the season on the practice squad before being signed to the active roster. In a December game, he sacked Ben Roethlisberger twice as Cleveland upset Pittsburgh.

Last year, Benard led the Browns with 7½ sacks. In November, he was briefly hospitalized after fainting in the locker room before a practice. Benard underwent tests, which ruled out any heart problems or other major medical conditions. He later said the episode was related to stress caused by the impending birth of his son.

MEN’S INTERHALL

Knott uses fourth-quarter heroics to beat Dawgs 3-0

Carroll fights back to tie Sorin; Gentlemen shut out Zahm; Dillon punishes Keough; Stanford edges out O’Neill

BY NICK BOYLE
Sports Writer

Knott took a huge step toward securing a playoff spot Sunday as the Juggerknotts edged out a hard-fought 3-0 win over Alumni.

The game ended dramatically, as Knott sophomore cornerback Joe McGillicuddy intercepted Alumni freshman quarterback Tyler Barron in the end zone on the final play of the game to seal the win for the Juggerknotts (2-1).

“That interception was just Joe being Joe,” Knott senior captain and running back Dan Shaffer said. “He just played football, was in a good position, made a great play on the ball and won us the game.”

The majority of the game was played between the 30-yard lines, as both teams featured hard-nosed running offenses coupled with strong defenses.

In a back-and-forth first half, neither team looked likely to score until Knott turned to a two-quarterback system on its final drive of the half. The Juggerknotts used a combination of junior Jake Coleman and freshman David Taiclet at quarterback on a successful two-minute drive that culminated with a 21-yard field goal as the half expired.

After the Knott score, Alumni (2-2) came back to dominate the ball in the second half, only allowing the Juggerknotts 12 yards of total offense while maintaining possession for the entire fourth quarter. Led by the power running of senior running back Dan Dansdill, the Dawgs drove the length of the field to the Knott 7-yard line, only to be thwarted by McGillicuddy’s last second interception.

“This was a tough one to lose,” Alumni sophomore running back Kevin Rolfs said. “We played well. Sometimes things just don’t go your way.”

Alumni’s regular season is finished, but Knott will look to secure a playoff spot when it takes on Morrissey on Oct. 30.

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Carroll 14, Sorin 14

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After falling behind 14-0 in the first half, Carroll rebounded in the second half to tie Sorin 14-14 in a matchup of likely playoff teams.

The Otters (2-0-1) got the scoring started in the first quarter with a four-yard touchdown run by senior running back Matt Pepe. Sorin went 66 yards in 11 plays on its next drive, which culminated with a 13-yard touchdown run from junior quarterback Ted Spinelli. The Otters did much of their damage on the ground, running the ball on 15 of 17 plays in the first half.

“In the first half we really commanded our offense,” Pepe said. “For the most part, we ran the ball well. We put in a couple new packages [before the game] and we had some success running counters.”

Carroll (2-1-1) struggled offensively in the first half and had two drives end with turnovers in Sorin territory. The second half was a different story, as the Vermin scored on their first offensive play when senior running back Nick Tammerine rushed 50 yards for a touchdown.

Carroll then came up with an interception to get the ball back. After driving down to the 4-yard line, the Vermin faced 4th-and-goal. Tammerine took a halfback toss to the left side, where he threw to wide-open sophomore receiver Bobby Dorman in the back of the end zone to tie the game.

“That touchdown was a great play call,” junior captain Keith Marrero said. “We knew that they knew our run was working and they had been defending our passes well, so we got them with [the halfback pass].”

Both defenses stepped up down the stretch and the game ended in a tie.

Carroll and Sorin will both likely make the playoffs, but they have bigger goals than just a post-season berth.

“Hopefully we’ll be in [Notre Dame Stadium] at the end of the year,” Pepe said.

Carroll echoed a similar sentiment.

“We have our eyes on the ultimate prize — getting to [Notre Dame Stadium],” Marrero said.

Carroll’s regular season is complete, while Sorin plays St. Edward’s on Oct. 30.

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St. Edwards 10, Zahm 0

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St. Edward’s defeated Zahm 10-0 in a rather lighthearted affair Sunday afternoon.

The first half was a mostly defensive battle until Gentleman sophomore quarterback Paul Martin Rodriguez led a late drive to set up a 31-yard field goal, giving St. Edward’s (2-1) a 3-0 lead. Junior receiver Connor Ryan was instrumental on the drive, making two key catches to get in field goal range.

A 3-yard touchdown pass from Rodriguez to senior receiver Joey Ricioli made the final score 10-0 in favor of St. Edward’s. Rodriguez was also effective rushing the ball, especially on a play he referred to as “beaching the whale.”

“It’s basically a quarterback sneak,” Rodriguez said. “It’s called ‘beaching the whale’ because I think I’m bigger than most of the offensive linemen on our team.”

Zahm (0-3) tried to run the ball all game but failed to get anything going. The Zahmbies switched to a “Wildcat” offense on their last possession, but still had no luck. Senior linebacker Greg Bennett, better known as the “Magician,” revealed the mutinous reason for the switch.

“What we call that is a ‘Mutiny on the Zahm,’” Bennett said. “A ‘Mutiny on the Zahm’ implies a coup d’etat against Colin Casey, senior captain and running back. We had to put in the spark-plug, and that is Greg Bennett.”

Zahm will try and get a win in its last game Oct. 30 against Fisher. St. Edward’s will look to cement a playoff spot the same day against Sorin.

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Siegfried 28, Morrissey 6

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Siegfried running backs junior David Whitmore and senior Michael Isaacs looked nearly unstoppable in a 28-6 rout over Morrissey.

Whitmore and Isaacs combined for 164 rushing yards and two touchdowns, accounting for nearly two-thirds of the Ramblers’ (3-0) offense. Whitmore and Isaacs know that their offensive line played a major role in their success.

“Our offensive line played unbelievable,” Whitmore said. “When you have wide open holes with a combination of running hard, it’s going to lead to success.”

Isaacs credits the Ramblers’ success over The Manor (0-3) to their defense and key adjustments.

“Our defense played well,” Isaacs said. “They shut the door on Morrissey’s passing offense and made the key adjustments in the second half which allowed us to be a force.”

The Ramblers defense gave up only 191 total yards of offense and also caused two turnovers, one of which was an interception returned for a touchdown.

Meanwhile Morrissey, which has relied heavily on its passing offense this season, struggled to find a way to stop the relentless Siegfried defense.

Morrissey had many bright spots, though. The Manor accounted for their first offensive points of the year on a 37-yard touchdown reception by sophomore running back Nick Conrad.

Morrissey thinks it will bring a lot to the table next week.

“We will play for pride next week against a tough Knott team,” junior captain Alex Oloriz said.

Siegfried will look to go undefeated Oct. 30 when it plays Duncan, while Morrissey will look to avoid a winless season when it faces Knott.

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Dillon 35, Keough 0

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Dillon wrapped up its regular season with a 35-0 dismantling of Keough.

Dillon (3-1) made its case for the playoffs stronger with a dazzling offensive display and a lockdown performance by the defense. The dynamic duo of sophomore quarterback Kevin Fink and junior running back Terry Howard combined for five touchdowns, four of which came in the first half. Howard had 160 rushing yards.

“On offense, all credit goes to the offensive line,” Fink said.

The Big Red defense came away with two interceptions, one of which came during Keough’s only red zone trip. At one point, Keough was on the Dillon 1-yard line, but the defense held firm and forced a turnover immediately after a big sack.

“Our defense really set the tone today,” Fink said. “They came out

firing on all cylinders.”

Keough (0-3) struggled to find its offensive rhythm in the first half, failing to reach the red zone until the third quarter. The Kangaroo offense threatened to score, but could not convert.

“[Sophomore quarterback] Seamus Donegan stepped up in the pocket late,” junior captain Robert Toole said, crediting his teammate for his efforts.

The Kangaroo defense had its strong moments, forcing a Dillon fumble on the first play of the second half and allowing only one score in the second half. However, the Dillon offense overwhelmed Keough for the majority of the game, amassing 322 total yards.

“After fall break, we want to win just one, and we’re confident that we can beat O’Neill,” Toole said.

Dillon’s regular season is over and they wait for a potential playoff appearance. Keough will play O’Neill on Oct. 30.

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Stanford 8, O’Neill 6

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Stanford picked up a boost to its playoff hopes with an 8-6 victory in a grueling game against O’Neill.

Despite a defensive battle, both teams had bright spots on offense. Stanford quarterback Charlie Fiessinger showed flashes passing downfield, while the O’Neill running game was successful.

“Our running back, [sophomore] Jon Savakus, really did well today,” O’Neill junior captain Alex Brolick said. “And our offensive line gave him a lot of help.”

O’Neill (0-3) pushed ahead in the first half with senior quarterback Mike Wilbur connecting with senior receiver JP McCabe to put the Mob ahead 6-0.

In the fourth quarter, Stanford’s second half defensive changes helped force a Wilbur interception. The interception led to a 33-yard touchdown drive capped off by a Fiessinger pass.

“[The receiver] was a little open and I just saw it,” Fiessinger said. “And I just threw it up to him.”

The Griffins (2-1) then converted a two-point conversion for the 8-6 win.

“The big difference were the adjustments we made during halftime,” Stanford junior captain Paul Babiak said. “We didn’t do it in the first two games and finally we did and it worked.”

The win keeps Stanford alive in the playoff race.

“It’s a lot easier to make the playoffs 3-1 than it is 2-2,” Babiak said. “So today was huge.”

For O’Neill, the game was disappointing with a loss after a first half lead.

“It was a rough second half for us and they did a good job on adjustments,” Brolick said.

Despite another loss, the offensive line and running game gives the Mob a bright spot to look forward toward.

Stanford faces Keenan on Oct. 30 to secure a playoff position while O’Neill looks for its first win against Keough.

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JULIE HERDER/The Observer

Knott Junior quarterback Jake Coleman hands off the ball to senior running back Dan Shaffer in the Juggerknotts’ 3-0 win over Alumni on Sunday.

WOMEN'S INTERHALL

Ryan unleashes aerial attack on Lewis in 33-14 win

McGlinn beats Pyros with late score; PW rolls over the Babes; Chaos remain unbeaten with win over Farley



KEVIN SONG/The Observer

Maddie Swan carries the ball for Ryan in the Wildcats' week one 33-8 victory over Lyons. Ryan improved to 5-0 Sunday with their win over Lewis.

By JONATHAN WARREN
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With an offensive burst fueled by its receiving corps, Ryan overwhelmed Lewis's defense Sunday in a 33-14 win.

The Wildcats (5-0) showcased their offensive depth in the read option, as four different players scored touchdowns. Senior receiver Grace Johnson caught two touchdown passes and junior quarterback Maya Pillai

threw five to lead the Wildcats over the Chicks (2-3).

"Our receivers [were] awesome," senior running back and captain Brianna Curtis. "We had so many players scoring and making big catches."

Curtis, who has led the Wildcats to the best record in dorm history, caught the last touchdown of the game and broke a 30-yard run on the second play of the game.

"As a senior, I couldn't ask for more," Curtis said. "It's getting our whole dorm excited for football."

With the loss, Lewis' playoff chances took a hit.

"The game wasn't working out for us," senior captain Libby Redline said. "There was some lack of communication, and we played a little flat on our feet."

Despite the loss, sophomore receiver Colleen Haller and junior quarterback Connaught Blood both had impressive performances. Blood ran for a 40-yard touchdown in the first half, while Haller racked up 63 receiving yards.

"I think we're a little disappointed," Redline said. "We're a little frustrated, but we're look-

ing forward to our next game.”

The Chicks take on Walsh on Oct. 30 at 5 p.m. while the Wildcats will aim to stay undefeated against McGlinn at 6 p.m. the same day.

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McGlinn 6, Pasquerilla East 0

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For the second game in a row McGlinn pulled off some late game heroics to claim a 6-0 victory over Pasquerilla East.

With 30 seconds left in the game, senior quarterback Lauren Miller connected with senior receiver Ayla Bicoy on a 45-yard pass that brought McGlinn (4-1) to the 4-yard line before Pasquerilla East senior captain Nneka Ekechukwu tackled Bicoy, drawing an illegal contact penalty. On the next play Miller scored on a quarterback keeper from the 2-yard line.

"We needed a big play," Bicoy said. "A lot of the time Lauren didn't have enough time [to throw the ball] but this time it worked out."

With the ball changing possession five times in the last three minutes, a tie seemed imminent. However, the Shamrocks were able to get the ball at the end and capitalize on their big play.

"A couple of really key interceptions and a great job holding them on fourth downs gave us a chance to get the ball back," Miller said. "It was just in time at the end of the game to seal the deal."

For the Pyros (0-5-1), it was not the way they wanted to finish their season but they were still happy with their performance, Ekechukwu said.

"Overall I think we played really well on both sides," Ekechukwu said, "It was just an unfortunate mishap at the end that gave them that lucky score."

McGlenn looks to continue to build their momentum next week against undefeated Ryan while the Pyros will have to wait until next season to get back in action.

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Pasquerilla West 39, Breen-Phillips 6

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Sports Writer

Pasquerilla West won in dominating fashion, 39-6, over Breen-Phillips on Sunday.

The Purple Weasels' offense seemed unstoppable, relying on big passing plays to drive them down the field.

"We worked hard on our offense," senior captain Alison Lindeen said. "We have to keep scoring, keep making plays on defense and keep working hard because point differential can become a big factor in playoffs."

Meanwhile, the Babes (0-5) struggled to find a rhythm, but are content with the progress they have made given the circumstances.

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Shutout

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by [the talk] and she started to understand that the spot wasn't going to be handed to her."

Fox recorded two-straight solo shutouts on the road with a 2-0 win over Seton Hall on Friday and a 0-0 tie at Rutgers on Sunday and has settled into the role of starting goalie, according to Waldrum.

"Maddie played really well this weekend and settled into her spot and helped calm things down for us," Waldrum said. "It all starts with her and she has really started to hit her stride and play with confidence and consistency."

With the way his defense has performed, Waldrum remains confident in Notre Dame's chances at the Big East title with home matches against Georgetown, Villanova and DePaul left on the regular-season schedule.

"With three more Big East games coming up they are going to be really important, but being at home will help us out," he said. "There is no reason why we still can't win this conference."

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Goalie

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starts, his anxiety goes away.

"Pressure comes before the game," Walsh said. "As soon as the game starts, you kind of lose sight of that. There are a lot of jitters before the game, but once it starts, you just play. You'll forget you're on television, you'll forget they're the No. 1 team in the country and you just play.

Saves in the early minutes mean a lot to Walsh's entire game, he said.

"It really builds your confidence and you get going early in the game," Walsh said. "It gets your momentum going, your blood flowing. It gets you going pretty good. I'm never telling them not to shoot."

Communication with the defenders is another way Walsh maintains confidence in the goalie position, he said.

"Our back line and me, we really pride ourselves on getting shutouts," Walsh said. "We're a pretty solid unit back there, and we're all really good friends. We have all played with each other before and we all know each other's

tendencies. I love these guys. They cover me and I cover them. It's a mutual relationship."

Walsh said his defenders have been an integral part of the four shutouts this season.

"When you get a shutout, it's always huge. You take a lot of pride on not letting any goals," Walsh said. "Sure, I get credit for the shutout, but usually it's not just my doing.

"Most of the credit goes to the defenders for locking down their offense."

Six of this year's 11 games have gone into extra minutes. As overtimes are sudden death periods, staying focused in goal is especially important, he said.

"Overtimes aren't fun," Walsh said. "You certainly know that you let in one and it's over. We need to start winning in overtime because we're going to see overtime matches in the [NCAA] tournament. You can't put any more emphasis on that than on the regular 90 minutes or you'll start to lose that balance. If you play like you did in those 90 minutes, everything will be just fine."

Though Walsh played other positions in high school a few times, he started to focus on the goalie position as his favorite early on.

"My cousins and I used to go to



TOM LA/The Observer

Senior goalkeeper Will Walsh sends a ball deep in Notre Dame's 3-1 victory over then No.3 Louisville on Sept. 24.

this soccer camp every year, and we used to watch highlights after lunch and they showed goalie highlights and it looked like a pretty cool thing to do," Walsh said. "My mom got me a cheap pair of gloves the next day."

Walsh stepped onto the competitive field for the Irish for the first time at the beginning of the 2010 season to takeover for seven games as then-senior goalkeeper Phil Tuttle recovered from an injury.

"I knew coming in that I wouldn't play for a couple of years, which I was fine with," Walsh said. "I was fine learning the ropes."

Walsh is eligible for a fifth-year on the team, and said he hopes to take that opportunity if it comes around.

"If I'm offered it, I'll probably take it," Walsh said. "The more experience I can get before playing at the next level the better, and the more time to be seen by different MLS scouts. Getting to the MLS combine is a pretty big deal."

Walsh and the rest of the Irish squad will play next against Marquette at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Milwaukee.

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Silva

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to receive the serve and any other hits that fly over the net from the opponent's side. While there is no statistic recorded for how well a player receives a serve, Brown said that is where Silva's greatest value lies.

"It's really a shame that they don't keep a stat for that because as a result, her passing gets overlooked," Brown said. "How we handle first contact with serve is so important to our offense."

While there may be no statistic to mark serves received, there is one for digs, and in this, Silva far and away leads the Irish. Her 4.34 digs/set is good for eighth in the Big East.

Brown said the versatility of Silva's play makes her extremely valuable. From passing to receiving serves to getting digs, Silva is a linchpin of both the offense and defense. On top of that, she has become one of the top servers in the rotation, with an ace-to-error ratio that is best on the team.

Her passion for the game, however, is Silva's greatest asset, Brown said.

"If you walk in the gym, she's always talking," she said. "When one of our players gets a kill or a stuff block, she's always the first to congratulate them. The team always comes first."

Silva's team-first attitude is evident in her conduct with underclassmen, Brown said. Under the tutelage of Silva, younger Irish players like freshman libero Kathleen Severyn have learned how to handle the rigors of college competition.

"Frenchy is about as good of a role model as you could ask for," Brown said. "She and Kathleen [Severyn] work very closely in practice, and there's no better person for her to learn from."

Though Silva will not lead the Big East in kills, it is her contributions that do not appear in the box score — enthusiasm, defense and dependability — that make her the leader of this Irish team.

"She works harder than anybody," Brown said. "And that's going to be hard to replace when she leaves. She does so many things that don't end up on the stat sheet."

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Keeton

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set victory against Tennessee's Jarryd Chaplin demonstrated his new approach.

"In Napa, Chaplin was getting into the net on him all the time and I finally told [Keeton], 'You have to beat [Chaplin] in,'" Bayliss said. "That's something he's never done in his life and he did."

The Kansas City, Mo., native missed most of his junior season due to injury, hindering his ability to work on improving his skills.

"I tore an abdominal muscle so it actually made it hard to work on my serve, because that was an area I couldn't do because of the injury," Keeton said. "So I had to take three or

four months off without serving so it was hard to improve on it during that time. But now I've had a pretty long string of being able to work on it so I've gotten a lot better."

Now that he's further improved the physical aspects of his game, Bayliss said he hopes to see an improvement in Keeton's mental confidence.

"Now, he still doesn't always believe in [his serve and vol-

ley] enough, and he's got to really take the ball and run with it," Bayliss said. "He's like the guy who swims 60 percent of the way across the pool and is afraid he can't get to the other side, so he swims the other 60 back and then realizes, 'Wow, I clearly had enough in the tank to do it.' I want him to really believe in his serve and turn it into a big weapon, because if you watch him serve now, he's got the makings of, I think, a great serve, if he can

keep it up."

While Keeton showed his newly-formed skills at Napa, this upcoming weekend will put them to the ultimate test at the Midwest Singles/Doubles Championships in Columbus, Ohio. The finance major is hoping for a good showing there, as well as during the rest of the season, he said.

"I want to be in the high line of players that's going to win consistently," Keeton said. "I think we need somebody who's going to win up top so I want to be that person. Ideally I'd be ranked somewhere in the top-100 and just able to win a lot of matches and then hopefully I can make an appearance in the doubles lineup and help out there, as well."

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"They put together all the head-to-head statistics with the other ranked teams and the margin of victory and how the teams we have played perform against other teams around the country," Kubinski said.

But Kubinski said he doesn't rely on the computerized rankings to gauge the team's performance this season since he has had a front-row seat to every shot taken on the course.

"I really don't need the poll because I have such a good feel for how we are doing without any of the rankings," he said. "All that the poll says is that there are 19 teams statistically ranked higher than us and we are better than the others behind us."

To gain the top-25 ranking, the Irish have finished in the top-10 in each of their three tournaments, including a third-place finish at the season-opening Gopher Invitational in Wayata, Minn. But Kubinski tagged the Olympia Fields Invitational in Chicago as the team's turning point as the Irish finished in eighth place, defeating No. 8 Duke,

No. 20 Ohio State and No. 22 Augusta State — three teams from last season's NCAA Final Four.

"Olympia was probably the turning point out of all the competitions because all of the guys finished the last round really well," Kubinski said. "The level of competition there was incredible and the guys realized that they didn't play their best and still competed with some of the best teams in the country. It made us wonder: 'What happens when we play our best for a full three rounds?'"

Kubinski also attributed his team's early success to the depth of his squad, which features two seniors in the starting lineup — Max Scodro and Tom Usher — and a group of sophomores behind them that serve as healthy competition.

"Anytime you have a little competition within the team it's good for us," he said. "It makes everyone focus more on improving and playing consistently. It wouldn't be good to have a sense of complacency and feel comfortable in your spot without someone constantly pushing you."


But Notre Dame's focus remains on improving and getting into midseason form to push for an NCAA title, Kubinski said.

"It's really a case of getting those guys back to where they need to be and going out there to fight for a postseason spot,"


he said. "It took us a couple of years to go through the recruiting cycle and get the guys that we wanted in here and it's about

executing now."

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Happy Birthday: You'll feel passionate about life, love and your dreams. Strive for perfection and uniqueness and you will attract attention that will help catapult you into the fast lane. Greater opportunity will develop through partnerships with people who can add to your complex plan. Resurrect a project that has been idle. Your numbers are 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 49.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't settle for less when you can have more. Adapting to whatever comes your way will allow you to get the most out of any situation you face. Love is highlighted, and discussing future plans will add excitement to your personal life. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll overreact if something doesn't go your way. Refrain from letting stubbornness ruin your day and possibly your relationship with someone special. Keep busy if you want to avoid a showdown. Keep a tight lip and an open mind and ear. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Discipline and hard work will impress someone in a key position. Dedication and loyalty will make a difference to the way others treat you. An idea you have will lead to a profitable venture. Honesty and integrity are key to a better future. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Bypass anyone being restrictive or abusive. Do your own thing and make time for the people you enjoy being with most. Social or romantic activities will lift your spirits and your confidence. Update your look and you'll receive compliments. ★★★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fix up your digs and enjoy the company of friends and family. Share your thoughts and offer support and you will get the same in return when faced with obstacles. Set a budget and stick to it. Generosity will lead to financial trouble. ★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take advantage of an opportunity to travel or get together with old friends. You will discover something about yourself that will help you advance. Recognizing your talents and implementing them into a moneymaking venture will pay off. Believe in what you have to offer. ★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't let your emotions lead to a lack of productivity. You have to put the past behind you and deal with the present if you want to excel in the future. Helping others will make you feel good and encourage new friendships. ★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Beautify your surroundings, your look, your relationships. Express your thoughts creatively. Strive to make positive changes to your lifestyle and you will also invite good fortune and greater opportunities. Include more creative people in your circle of friends.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll be caught in an emotional trap if you aren't truthful. Don't lead someone on or make changes without the consent of those affected by your decisions. Keep things out in the open or you may face legal repercussions. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Demands can be expected. Don't succumb to any pressure to change your lifestyle. Walk away in order to live life your way. Look at what you have, how hard you've worked and the loss you will suffer if you don't stand your ground. ★★★★★

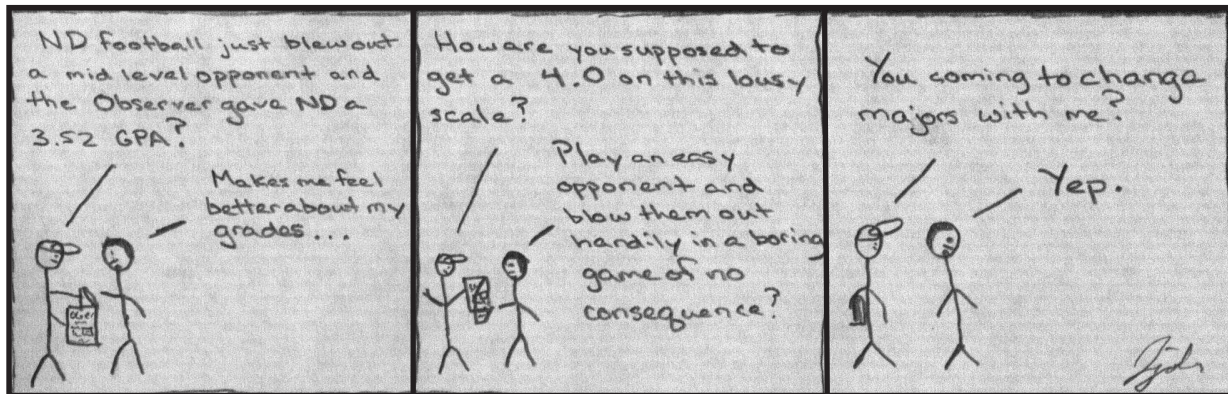
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take one step at a time. You can make a difference if you offer insight and suggestions that are simple but effective. Take care of personal paperwork and you will get rid of some of the unwanted responsibilities you've incurred. ★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You will be expected to make some alterations if you want to be employable. Pick up skills or develop an idea that can help you earn more cash. Plan a romantic evening and you will enhance your love life. ★★★

Birthday Baby: You are an imaginative, opportunistic and aggressive leader.

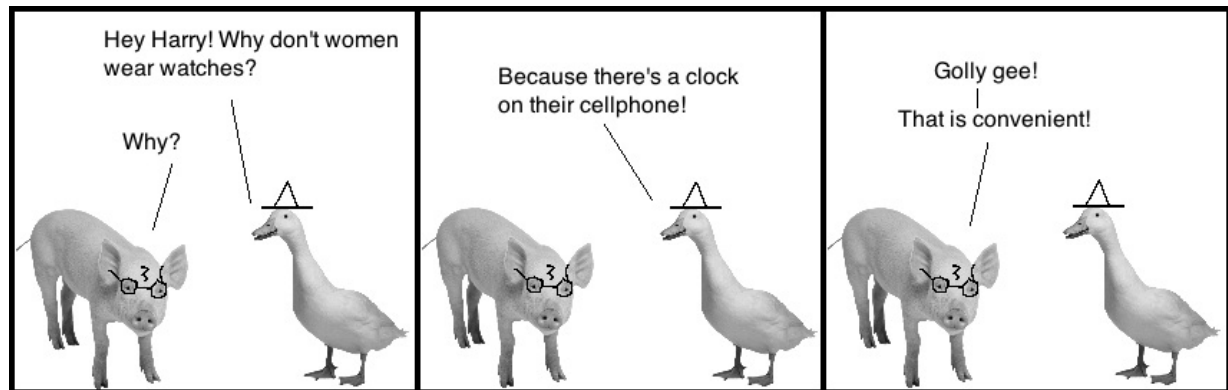
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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

All the right moves

By ANDREW GASTELUM
Sports Writer

Following a devastating 3-2 overtime loss to Big East rival Marquette on Sept. 25, Notre Dame had won only one of its previous six games and gave up as many goals as they scored in that stretch.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum felt something had to change for the defending champions. Yet who would have thought the right move would be to shift senior defender and third-year captain Jessica Schuveiller to the midfield after she had been a fixture on the Irish backline for the last three-and-a-half seasons.

"The move has really panned out," Waldrum said. "Putting Jess in the midfield gives us a defensive presence there to fall back on so that we do not get too caught up in the attack and have to work our way back."

Since the move, the Irish (7-5-3, 4-2-2 Big East) have recorded four consecutive shutouts — all over Big East opponents. And in the Big East, where five points separate first place from fourth, conference wins are all the rage.

"It was really important to get those games," Waldrum said. "Earlier in the year, we would have lost some of those defensive struggles. It's just a tribute to their perseverance and the way they have worked."

Meanwhile, in her new role as midfielder, Schuveiller has scored in each of the four shutouts, all while earning Big East Defensive Player of the Week.

"I think [Schuveiller] has five goals in the last four games and the move gives her the opportunity to get more involved with the attack as well," Waldrum said. "It really makes you think, 'What took you so long [to make the move]?'"

The move also opened a spot for freshman defender Sammy Scofield, who has shined on the



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Senior defender Jessica Schuveiller pursues the ball in Notre Dame's 7-1 victory over Tulsa on Sept. 2.

backline in tandem with senior defender Molly Campbell.

"One of the keys defensively has been Sammy. She seems very comfortable back there and it looks like she has been back there forever," Waldrum said. "Earlier on in the year we tried to put her back there, but it just wasn't the right time for it. She's still a freshman and she gained the confidence back and has grown a lot."

But Waldrum also pointed to a

behind-the-scenes move as one of the causes behind the shutout streak.

"[All the coaches] brought in [junior goalkeeper] Maddie Fox and we had a really candid conversation with her about playing time and what we expected from her," he said. "I don't think she came into this season physically ready in her training during the offseason but she was motivated

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MEN'S TENNIS

Team's MVP shows vast improvement in game

By SAM GANS
Sports Writer

Very rare is the case that a player who goes 23-4 in one season has extremely noticeable deficiencies in his game. But Irish senior Sam Keeton was one of the exceptions two years ago when his serves and volleys were not up to par.

Since then, however, he has worked hard to correct those flaws — and succeeded — Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said.

"Two years ago, he was our team MVP," Bayliss said. "He did that primarily off the strength of his forehand and backhand — his ground-

strokes. He did not have a very good serve and [he was] not very good around the net and they were clearly his deficiencies. Last year, he improved in those areas. His serve got a little better and his volleying became somewhat functional, enough that he would come in a little more and put a few balls away when he created an opportunity for himself."

Those improvements were on full display two weeks ago at the Napa Valley Tennis Classic, where Keeton won his first three matches to advance to the quarterfinals before bowing out of the tournament. In particular, his early straight-

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish capture spot in national rankings

By ANDREW GASTELUM
Sports Writer

It has been a breakthrough year for the Irish.

For the first time in six years, Notre Dame is ranked in the top-25 in the national Golfstat poll, and the Irish rose to No. 20 for the first time since Irish coach Jim Kubinski's first year at the helm in 2005, when he took his squad to 17th place at the NCAA Regionals.

Despite breaking into the national rankings, Kubinski sees the feat as more appeal-

ing to the players than to the coaching staff.

"I think the players pay more attention to that than I do," Kubinski said. "They have a lot of fun with the rankings and it's a reward for all of the work that they have put in so far this season. It shows that they are working hard."

The sixth-year coach said the polls are computer-generated based on a variety of statistics that include head-to-head matchups, average scores and tournament finishes.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Silva brings energy, versatility

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

While the spotlight typically shines on players who light up the stat sheet, coaches often talk about the unsung contributors whose impact goes much further than a box score. Irish senior libero Frenchy Silva is one of those players, Irish coach Debbie Brown said.

The Laguna Niguel, Calif. native has led the Irish defensively through her four years at Notre Dame and provided much-needed energy, enthusiasm and leadership to the squad.

"Frenchy is everything you'd want in a leader," Brown said. "She's absolutely vital to our team this year. From day one she's brought an energy and enthusiasm that really gets the whole team going."

As a libero, Silva's main task is

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Senior libero Frenchy Silva plays a ball from the ground on Oct. 2 in Notre Dame's 3-1 loss to Big East foe Louisville.

MEN'S SOCCER

ND's final line of defense relishes role

By MOLLY SAMMON
Sports Writer

The eight-foot by 24-foot frame at the end of the field must be protected at all times, and that is senior goalkeeper Will Walsh's job.

His four saves against No. 1 Connecticut helped the Irish break the conference-leading Huskies' 11-game win streak, and earned Walsh his fourth shutout of the year.

"When the other team is about to shoot, I don't think to myself that I'm not going to get it," Walsh said. "It's weird if they have the ball at the top of the box. I'm like, 'Shoot the ball, because I'm going to save it.' I'm literally telling them to come on and try and score. I'm just waiting for them to shoot."

The 21-year-old Delbarton graduate has covered the goal in every minute of No. 12 Notre Dame's 11 games of the 2011 season, resulting in 1,120 minutes of total play and only eight goals allowed.

Before games, Walsh said coffee and sometimes music get him ready for another game in goal.

"Especially being a goalie, you have to be really calm. You can't be jittery. You have to have control over your emotions, and you have to be really stable," Walsh said. "It's an alertness, not a jitteriness, but a calm alertness. It's like you're in the zone, the perfect balance of ecstasy and control. You have to be acute and alert and ready to go, but you can't be overly aggressive."

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