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Jenkins to serve on board for debates

By MEGAN DOYLE
News Editor

University President Fr. John Jenkins was elected to the Board of Directors for the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD), which has sponsored all U.S. presidential and vice presidential debates since 1988, according to a University press release.



Jenkins

Michael McCurry, co-chair of the commission, said Jenkins is the first university president to be elected to the Board.

"We try to bring interesting and prominent people on the commission to add to the work that we do," McCurry said. "I think everyone agreed that Fr. John was someone who would bring this extraordinary integrity to the process and someone who is genuinely committed to dialogue on these issues."

The non-partisan, non-profit commission's purpose is to provide oversight and guidance for the fall general election debates between major candidates for the presidency, McCurry said.

"[We try to] design a format that really tries to get the maximum dialogue between the candidates," McCurry said. "How do

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Memorial honors Declan Sullivan

Family, friends gather for dedication of spot to commemorate former student's life

By SARAH MERVOSH
Managing Editor

It was a place junior Declan Sullivan crossed dozens of times performing his duties as a student videographer for the football team.

It was a place the Sullivan family chose as a meeting point after Notre Dame football games.

It was a place within sight of Sullivan's fatal accident almost one year ago.

Now, it is a place of memorial.

About 75 people gathered Saturday afternoon before the football game against USC to dedicate a memorial to Sullivan, who died last October after a scissor lift from which he was filming football practice fell. A plaque, two benches and some trees now sit between the Guglielmino Athletics Complex and the LaBar Practice Field.

Sullivan's mother Alison addressed the group gathered to honor her son's life.

"We didn't envision anything that could be more perfect," Alison said. "I think if [Declan] could see this, he would be in awe. He would say, 'Gee, this is amazing. I love this. It's epic.'"

The group chuckled at the use of the word "epic," a word that Declan strived to embody in his life.

"He always wanted to be epic, and I think he would look at this and say, 'Indeed, it is epic,'" Alison said.

University President Fr. John Jenkins led the ceremony and asked God to bless the memorial.

"Lord God, we ask your blessing," Jenkins said. "May it be a place of memory, a place of prayer, a place of consolation and a place of hope, so that all



who spend time here remember Declan and be inspired by his life."

Jenkins then joined members of the Sullivan family and Vice President for Student Affairs Fr. Tom Doyle in sprinkling holy water on the memorial.

Director of Athletics Jack Swarbrick also presented the Sullivan family with the flag they helped raise at the opening football game of the year, and representatives from video services gave the family a framed photomontage in the shape of the Notre Dame monogram.

Inscribed on the plaque is a poem written in honor of Declan and a shamrock logo with Declan's initials inside. Alison said both components are particularly meaningful.

The poem was written by a family friend and refers to Declan's life as "never ordinary." Alison said Declan often quoted a line from the movie "American Beauty" when a minor character said, "There is nothing worse than being ordinary."

"That was kind of his mantra," Alison said. "The refer-



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Above: Sullivan's parents and sister attend a dedication ceremony for a memorial in his honor Saturday. Below: A plaque between the Guglielmino Athletic Complex and the LaBar Practice Field commemorates Sullivan's life.

ence in here to ordinary is something I think Dec would really get a kick out of."

Alison said Declan would also appreciate the shamrock logo.

"From the time Declan was a little boy, he was enamored with shamrocks," she said. "It's very significant because it's a symbol that he really liked."

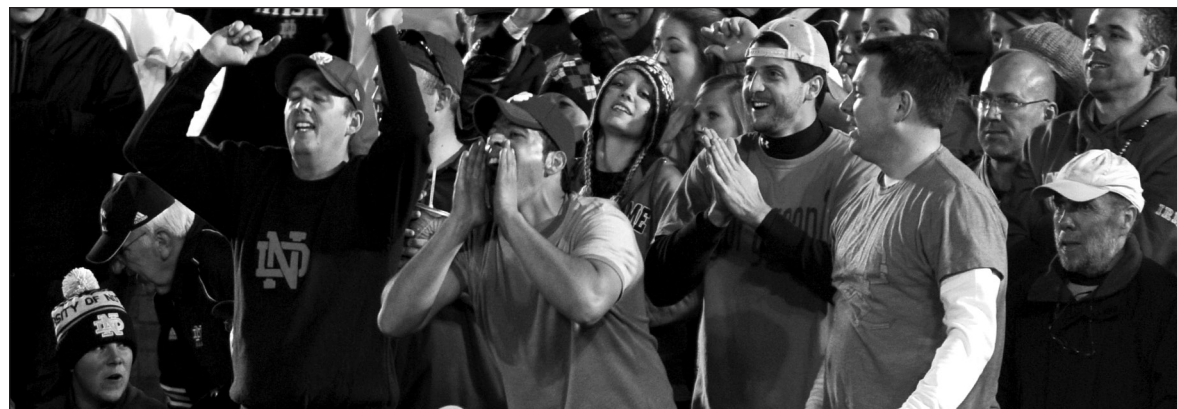
Jenkins told The Observer

the memorial was an opportunity to honor Declan's memory.

"The loss of Declan was a tragedy to all of us in the Notre Dame family," he said. "This [dedication] was a chance for all of us to come together in a place dedicated to his memory, to memorialize it and to give thanks for his life."

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Students disheartened after home night game loss



ASHLEY DACY/The Observer

Notre Dame fans cheer during Saturday's game against the University of Southern California. The Irish fell to the Trojans 31-17 during the first home night game played in Notre Dame Stadium since 1990.

By ADAM LLORENS
News Writer

The football team's new helmets shone bright gold under the Notre Dame Stadium lights Saturday night, but many students left the stadium feeling lackluster after the Irish's 31-17 loss to the Trojans.

Senior Paul Lively said campus energy before the game was electric because of the later kickoff time.

"The parking lots were really packed before the game, and all of the fans seemed to be having a great time with those few ex-

tra hours of tailgating," Lively said. "It was also great to see the alumni and other fans on their feet for most of the game."

While fans were more energized for the game, Lively said he became frustrated once he got in the stands.

"It was a disappointing result because it seemed like we were the better team on paper going into the game," Lively said. "[Dayne] Crist's fumble on the goal line really changed the outlook of the game as going from a possible tie game to down 14 points is hard to

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Irish fans showed their support for the Notre Dame football team Saturday, despite the disappointing loss to USC. The final score of the game was 31-17. The Irish will take on Navy at home this Saturday.

HIGH
LOW

Students dedicate fall break to service in Appalachia

By MEL FLANAGAN
News Writer

Some Notre Dame students traveled to the mountains for fall break, but they dedicated their week to service rather than vacation time.

These students were among over 250 participants in the semi-annual Appalachia seminar sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns (CSC).

Cynthia Toms-Smedley, director of educational immersions at the CSC, said the seminar sends students to several sites across the Appalachia region to serve local communities. The program draws more students than any other CSC program, she said.

"I think there's a mix between the service aspect and getting to know community members in Appalachia, as well as an opportunity to have fun while doing service," she said. "It's an opportunity to learn about some of the challenges in Appalachia and to exercise our opportunity to serve people."

The CSC reviewed a record number of 272 applications for the fall trip, Smedley said. The seminar also sends students to the region over spring break.

After students travel to Appalachia once, Smedley said many continue to volunteer with the program.

"There are a lot of repeat students who are there for the third and fourth time," she said. "They like to reconnect with the community they have served in the past."

Sophomore Bobby Alvarez spent his week at the Community Development Outreach Ministries (CDOM) in St. Albans, W. Va., and said he plans to return there in the future.

"I want to go again, for the friendships I made, but also because the site I was working at was really an amazing site," Alvarez said. "The people I worked with there were great."

At CDOM, Alvarez and 18 other Notre Dame students spent the mornings painting the community center. After lunch, the volunteers helped local children with their homework and played with them outside until dark.

"A lot of the kids came from single parents or families involved with drugs and a lot have families that don't really care about them," Alvarez said. "The time at the community center and their time with us is a very special time for both them and us."

Alvarez said students who volunteer at CDOM frequently return because of the unique bonds they form with the children.

Sophomore Colleen Duffy spent the week at the Hurley Community Development Center in Hurley, Va.

Duffy said she applied to Appalachia to experience the cultural differences between that region and other parts of the country.

"I wanted to do something more meaningful with my fall break than to go home and sit by myself," she said. "I wanted to do something different."

During her first few days, Duffy said she built a porch and ramp



on a trailer for a woman who was disabled in a car accident.

"The woman was in rehab and was going to return soon, but she couldn't get into her home," she said.

Duffy also worked at a local food bank with some of the 21 other volunteers who also traveled to Hurley. She said enjoyed meeting not only other Notre Dame students but also the community members.

"Everyone from the community would just stop by the center and stop in to tell stories, and we'd always be there," Duffy said. "By the end of the week, I felt like they were my family, and I wish I could go back."



Photos Courtesy of Colleen Duffy

Above: Students serving in Hurley, Va. during fall break build a ramp on a trailer for a woman who was disabled in a car accident. Below: Members of the Hurley, Va. team pose during a hike at the Breaks Interstate Park.

each must meet certain criteria to ensure that the volunteers can produce the maximum benefits.

"For the centers, it's an opportunity for students to be useful to the community and not to be a drain on their resources and capacity, but to serve in a way that is helpful," she said. "And for our students, our hope is that they have an opportunity to get to know the community on a personal level."

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CLC identifies concerns and goals

By EMILY SCHRANK
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During this semester's first meeting of the Campus Life Council (CLC), members discussed their hopes for increased collaboration between different groups on campus this year.

Student body president Pat McCormick invited members to present their most immediate concerns and goals for the year.

"CLC is designed to be a forum where all of the stakeholders in the University could come together and discuss the most pressing issues," McCormick said. "We can have a tangible impact on student life and the life of the community as a whole."

Judicial Council president Susanna Sullivan said she hopes CLC can foster a better relationship between students and the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH).

"I want to facilitate a greater respect for the [disciplinary] process and also bring about a greater transparency to it," she said.

Diversity Council representative Alexa Arastoo said she hopes to increase awareness of diversity on campus, especially now that over a quarter of the student population are considered minorities.

"As the percentage of students who identify as a minority grows, my goal is to see if Notre Dame can graduate more people who have an openness to those kinds of issues," she said. "I hope that we can see a greater integration between minority students and the rest of the student body."

Farley Hall rector Sr. Carine Etheridge said she would like to see CLC work on reducing student apathy on important issues.

"I think we could do better on helping to form authentic community," she said. "It would be great if the same atmosphere in the Stadium on Saturday carried over to Monday morning."

Etheridge said she hopes CLC will focus on accomplishing practical goals, rather than attempting to tackle sweeping policy changes.

"I'd like to see us do practical, doable things," she said. "Things that would improve the quality of life for students."

McCormick said he believes CLC can have a profound impact on student engagement and greatly enhance student life at Notre Dame.

"It's exciting for us to have this opportunity to think through how we can work through these issues," he said. "We have the ability to utilize each facet of the student union well."

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Panel addresses issues in higher education

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Indiana colleges play a major role in encouraging high school students to attend college, according to a panel discussion with state leaders in politics and education Monday evening.

The panel began the 72nd annual conference of the Indiana Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (IACRO) that will be hosted at Notre Dame this week. Representatives from universities around the state gather during the conference to talk about issues facing Indiana's higher education.

Richard Ludwick, former provost at St. Gregory's University in Oklahoma, now serves as the president and CEO of IACRO. He said more Indiana students have access to higher education than ever before.

"A cultural shift, encouraged by leaders in higher education, has helped to drive innovations in all of our communities where the institutions make access and the actual degree much more likely," Ludwick said.

Universities need to continue to push students to apply to college and look into their options in higher education, he said. These students will then be better prepared for the job market with a college degree.

"If we prepare students to be well-educated so that they can acquire those skills no matter what the future of the economy is, then that's really the best education that we can give them," Ludwick said.

Jeff Rea, former Mishawaka mayor and current president and CEO of the St. Joseph County Chamber of Commerce, said the "brain drain" issue plagues many schools in Indiana. More students choose to leave the state to find further education and

jobs elsewhere, he said.

Rea said more viable job opportunities need to be available for new college graduates and university peer networks can help educate alumni about these openings.

Former Indiana Gov. Joe Kernan said the state government needs to work with universities to maximize opportunities for students to afford a college education.

"The goal would be to make sure that every kid in Indiana that wants to go to college gets to go because the resources would be in place to do that," Kernan said. "We're a long way from that."

The state and local governments need to continue to collaborate with universities and colleges

to encourage high school students to go to college, Kernan said. This partnership is critical to these students' futures.

"The only way to guarantee that we achieve the kinds of results that we all know are necessitated by this globally competitive world is to continue to work together and to collaborate to do what's best for our universities, colleges and our communities," he said.

University Registrar Chuck Hurley, a former president of IACRO, said Indiana universities need to continue innovating and using new technology to attract students to higher education.

"People in the registrar and admissions areas have thought about their duties in a very traditional fashion," Hurley said. "Because of the state of the current economy and the fast pace of modern technology we have had to think about innovative ways to do registration and all types of things, and how to continue to be much bigger players now in the global economy."

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Johnathan de la Cruz of College Scheduler mans a table with information during a conference about higher education Monday.

Professors discuss global health



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Harvard professor of global health and social medicine Paul Farmer and Notre Dame professor of theology Gustavo Gutierrez discuss liberation theology in DeBartolo Hall on Monday evening.

By VICKY MORENO
News Writer

Students and faculty spilled into the aisles of a DeBartolo Hall auditorium Monday evening as two renowned experts discussed liberation theology as a means to end poverty.

Harvard professor Paul Farmer, a medical anthropologist, physician and founder of Partners in Health, an organization that provides healthcare and medical treatment to poor people around the world, said people could not end poverty if they did not understand it.

"Real service to the poor involves understanding global poverty," said Farmer. "An understanding of poverty must be linked to efforts of ending it. Poverty is structured evil. Understanding it is not the same as fighting it, but if we believe that knowledge informs practice then we can really make progress."

Notre Dame theology professor Fr. Gustavo Gutierrez agreed that understanding, was a means to end global poverty.

"When we speak about the preferential option for the poor we are speaking about persons, not about poverty," Gutierrez said. "Without fraternity, sympathy and community we have not committed to ending poverty."

Ending poverty is not an easy goal, Farmer said, but it is not impossible.

"As long as there is poverty and inequality, we humans will need accompaniment — practical, spiritual and theological — to understand why and how they work so that we may attempt to eradicate it," Farmer said.

Gutierrez agreed that poverty is not a quick fix.

"Poverty is not a destination, it's a situation," Gutierrez said. "Addressing poverty

is not a one-time cure. It's a constant adjustment."

Gutierrez coined the term "liberation theology" in the 1970s, which originated from the Latin American Catholic Church and addresses the poor's ability to embrace suffering with hope just as Christ did.

Gutierrez acknowledged the difficulty of reconciling suffering and the notion that an all-powerful God loves those who suffer.

"The challenge we must face is how to say to poor persons, 'God loves you,'" Gutierrez said.

Liberation theology, however, is one answer to this challenge, Gutierrez said.

"Theology changes to adapt to the historical demands of the time," Gutierrez said. "It is a reflection of the daily life of a person and of the way to be Christian. Theology acts as the medium between living faith and announced faith."

Farmer said the fight to end poverty should be one of solidarity rather than charity.

"Liberation theology is an inexhaustible font for understanding poverty," Farmer said. "We live in one world, not three. Nothing else I have seen from earthquakes to floods to violence will lead me to believe oth-

erwise."

Farmer emphasized the importance of comprehending poverty's existence before attempting to end it.

"It's not easy to listen," Farmer said. "It's hard and sometimes painful. These experiences tried me in some ways that I cannot forget. I am determined to understand why poverty exists and how it functions in the modern world."

Farmer listened, studied Scripture and derived meaning from what he learned within the Latin American context.

"Poverty is not a result of random acts of nature," Farmer said. "Human beings constitute and create the social world and shape it."

Gutierrez said poverty is an issue that needs to be addressed on every front.

"Poverty means death," Gutierrez said. "For the poor in Latin America and all around the world, this means dying before their time. Death is not only a social issue, not only a matter of a social doctrine; it's more than that — it's a global issue and we need to rethink from the position we are in."

The preferential option for the poor means serving the least fortunate comes before all other concerns, Gutierrez said.

"Preferential means they are first," Gutierrez said. "It does not mean all the poor are good or generous or very gentle."

Not all of them are good persons, but because God is good we must work to end their suffering. We are not really in solidarity for the poor unless you are against poverty."

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professor of theology

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Juniors Nora Quirk, Sarah Feeley and Lillie Gilliland participate in a run-off race to determine the winner of Monday’s High-Heel-A-Thon.

By **MADELINE MILES**
News Writer

Junior Libbie Gilliland sprinted 50 yards in her favorite pair of high heels Monday night. Gilliland, sporting the black heels decorated with silver bells and pearls, took first place in the second annual High-Heel-A-Thon sponsored by the Saint Mary’s Dance Marathon. The proceeds from the race benefit the Riley Hospital for Children, which has 19 locations throughout Indiana. Gilliland said the race is an innovative way to support the hospital’s work. “I did the High-Heel-A-Thon because I have medical conditions,” Gilliland said. “Even though I go to a hospital in the Chicago area, Riley Hospital still holds the same concept. It’s a great way for me to give back.” Dance Marathon president senior Becca Guerin said the High-Heel-A-Thon contributes to the overall goal of the marathon that will be hosted later in the year. Each high-heeled runner paid a \$5 entry fee. “The people who ultimately benefit from our fundraisers like the High-Heel-A-Thon are the patients and families of Riley’s Children Hospital,” Guerin said. “It is gratifying to

know that the funds we raise will make a direct impact at Riley.” The College hopes to increase its overall contribution to the hospital this year. Last year, the marathon raised over \$63,000 for Riley Children’s Hospital, Guerin said. “This year, our monetary goal is to increase last year’s total by 20 percent,” she said. Juniors Kate Kellogg and Liz Kraig, co-executives for Dance Marathon fundraising, planned the race. “It’s a fun event to get the campus excited about Dance Marathon,” Kellogg said. “The idea is just to create awareness throughout the year. The High-Heel-A-Thon works perfectly in the ‘classy and fabulous’ atmosphere of Saint Mary’s.” Junior Nora Quirk finished second and junior Sarah Feeley took third. Students who attended to watch the event were aware of the impact made at Riley Children’s Hospital. Junior Christina Barra said many members of the College support the Dance Marathon in some way. “Dance Marathon is a great cause,” Barra said. “It’s great to see all the support from the Saint Mary’s community.”

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you encourage the candidates to have real debate around the issues rather than reciting their favorite talking points?” McCurry said he first met Jenkins several years ago, but he began to think of him in the context of the commission after the president delivered a speech at Emory University earlier this year. “Such divisiveness makes politics not only unpleasant,” Jenkins said in the speech. “It makes it harder to come together to address our nation’s challenges. If we choose to attack our opponents before we have taken the time to understand them, if we prefer denunciations to genuine dialogue, if we seek political victory rather than constructive compromise ... we will not be able to find solutions to the problems before us.” McCurry said these points highlighted the commission’s

overall purpose. “I thought to myself, ‘That’s exactly what the country needs right now,’” McCurry said. As the commission tries to engage younger voters in these issues, McCurry said Jenkins’ voice will be an important one on the board. “One of the things that we are very anxious about is how do you make these debates ... accessible and interesting to younger people, the 18- to 25-year-old voter,” McCurry said. “We all thought Fr. John, as a member of the university community with lots of contact with young people and younger voters, would be helpful in that.” The CPD’s responsibilities include selecting a site for each of the four election debates, coordinating dates, picking debate moderators and determining the format for the debates, McCurry said. He also said the commission is currently fielding applications from organizations looking to host one of four debates for the 2012 election. Since the commission’s incep-

tion in 1987, McCurry said it has been successful in making the debates an expected fixture during presidential elections. However, he said the greatest challenge lies in making those debates both informative and interesting for voters. “How do you walk that fine line between institutionalization and innovation?” McCurry asked. “We’ve had lots of discussions with Google and Facebook and Twitter about how you can engage through social media a larger group of people who don’t do appointment television. They don’t just sit down in front of the TV screen ... they like to interact and participate.” McCurry said the entire committee felt positively about Jenkins’ election. He called Jenkins’ appointment a “slam dunk.” “It was probably the easiest election I have ever participated in,” McCurry said. “[The entire board] was unanimously enthusiastic.”

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Jenkins also expressed gratitude to the Sullivan family. “The Sullivan family, from the day Declan died to today, have been such an inspiration to all of us, and it is particularly meaningful for me to

bless this place with them,” he said. “We are grateful to them for helping us work through the tragedy of Declan’s death.” Alison also thanked Jenkins and Doyle for their help with the memorial and throughout the year since her son’s accident. “I wanted to thank [Jenkins] for giving us a lot of leeway with this and really letting us do what we thought would

best memorialize our son and brother,” Alison said. “And [Doyle] for really helping us every inch of the way with everything from the moment of the accident through the past year.”

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overcome.”

Sophomore Tom McGuire said he was disheartened by the loss.

“I thought we had the chance to have a statement game, and really show that we deserved to be ranked among the top teams in the country, but instead of playing up to our potential, we regressed,” McGuire said. “I know this team has a lot of talent and potential, but they didn’t play like it Saturday night.”

The match was the first home night game played in Notre Dame Stadium since 1990. McGuire said the energy on campus before the game did not live up to his expectations.

“The pep rally should have been later, so that students coming back from fall break could have actually gone,” McGuire said. “The University should have ran with the student-organized green-out and publicized it. I believe Notre Dame Stadium can

and should be an intimidating place to play. Saturday night was a step in the right direction, but we can do better.”

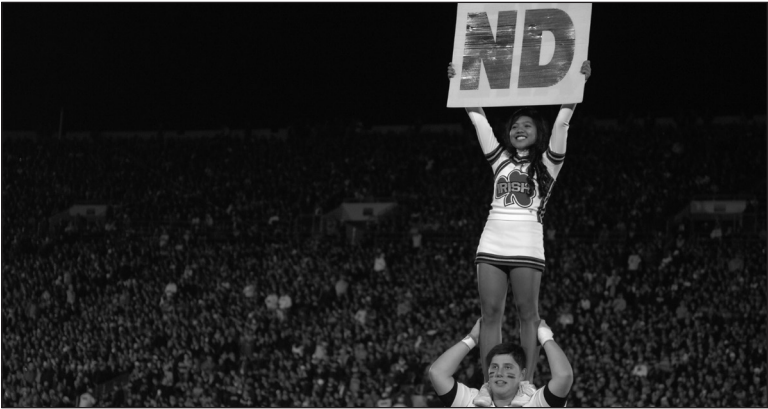
Sophomore Erin Killmurray said she was excited for Saturday’s festivities leading up to the game, but was disappointed that the day did not end with a win.

“I was not impressed with the football team’s performance, by any means, especially on the defensive front,” Killmurray said. “However, I thought [George] Atkinson’s punt return was awesome.”

As she looks to the upcoming game against Navy, Killmurray said she hopes for a similar atmosphere in the Stadium, but a different final score.

“The best part of the weekend was probably tailgating and getting to see a bunch of different people because we had so much time,” Killmurray said. “I’m hoping Navy will be just as fun and intense but will produce a different outcome on the field.”

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Sophomore cheerleaders Nicole Madrilejo and Patrick Rauh lead the crowd in supporting the Irish during Saturday’s game against USC.

Police seek identity of body

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEWISTON, Maine — A man who died this month at age 80 took a secret to his grave — a secret that was discovered only after his family went through his belongings in a storage unit.

Inside an unplugged freezer, they found a set of human remains that investigators believe may be those of his girlfriend, who disappeared in 1983, when she was 29. Now investigators are trying to confirm the identity of the body, the cause of death and who may have been involved.

State police were awaiting results of an autopsy on Monday. DNA tests were under way to determine whether the body was that of Kitty Wardwell, who was last seen with boyfriend Frank Julian.

The gruesome discovery came as a shock to Lewiston residents including Jane Child, who knew Julian as a kind shop owner who’d allow customers to put items on layaway when they were short on money. It’s difficult to reconcile that image with a potential killer who stashed a body in a freezer, she said.

“It just gives me the creeps,” Child said Monday while shopping at Blackie’s Fruit Stand, near the store where Julian worked with one of his sons.

The storage unit was rented in 1992 by Julian, who died on Oct. 1. Back in 1983, Julian occasionally lived with Wardwell 100 miles away in Holden.

Julian told police in New

Hampshire that he last saw Wardwell after an argument that June, when he dropped her off at a motel in Salem, N.H., before returning to Maine, police said. She was reported missing the following month by a close friend.

A state police investigation indicated she was likely a victim of foul play in Maine. Because of that, the investigation officially remained open.

The freezer was inside a 10-by-10-foot storage unit at a Moore Self Storage Facility in Lewiston, where Julian dutifully paid in advance for the unit, coming around every three months to pay in person, owner Gary Boilard said. The last payment was made on Sept. 6, so the unit was rented through November, he said.

The storage company’s previous owner kept good records, indicating Julian rented the unit 19 years ago on Oct. 6, Boilard said.

Boilard described the situation as “bizarre.”

“How do you keep a secret that long?” he said.

The family was going through boxes inside the storage unit when the remains were discovered Friday, and half the unit was still filled with boxes when state police alerted Boilard.

“There were boxes on tops of boxes. From front to back, from top to bottom, it was full of boxes,” he said.

Other than the freezer, there was little else of interest stashed in the unit — mostly household

items, said Stephen McCausland, spokesman for the Maine Department of Public Safety.

Before Julian’s death, he was working at a variety store with his son after closing his own store on Main Street. Before that, from 2001 to 2007, he’d run the One Stop Shop in a space he rented from Hubert Nadeau, selling T-shirts, Christmas decorations, knives and “just about anything,” Nadeau said.

Nadeau said he was surprised by the news of the body’s discovery.

“He was a very nice guy,” Nadeau said Monday. “I had no idea what it was all about.”

Both Wardwell’s and Julian’s families are being kept in the loop on the investigation, and both families are cooperating, McCausland said. Dwight Collins, Wardwell’s brother, said the family was awaiting further word on the body but declined to comment further. Other family members either couldn’t be reached or declined to comment.

The process of determining the victim’s identity could be time-consuming because of the condition of the body. Wardwell’s family members have donated DNA samples that will be compared against DNA from the body, McCausland said.

Julian was 52 when Wardwell disappeared. An obituary in the Bangor Daily News described him as a former restaurateur and novelty salesman who played on John Bapst High School’s 1948 championship football team.

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TUNISIA

Islamist party claims Tunisian election win



Supporters of the Islamist Ennahda party celebrated a victory in the first free election in Tunisian history Monday.

Associated Press

TUNIS, Tunisia — A moderate Islamist party claimed victory Monday in Tunisia’s landmark elections as preliminary results indicated it had won the biggest share of votes, assuring it will have a strong say in the future constitution of the country whose popular revolution led to the Arab Spring.

The Ennahda party’s success could boost other Islamist parties in the North Africa and the Middle East, although Ennahda insists its approach to sharia, or Islamic law, is consistent with Tunisia’s progressive traditions, especially in regards to women’s rights.

Party officials estimated Ennahda had taken at least 30 percent of the 217-seat assembly charged with writing a new constitution for the country. Other estimates put the party’s share from Sunday’s vote closer to 50 percent. Official results are expected Tuesday.

International observers lauded the election as free and fair while emphasizing that the parties in the new government must work together and safeguard the rights of women.

There were no official announcements of domestic results Monday, but Tunisian media outlets posted tallies from individual polling stations, making it clear that Ennahda or Renaissance Party was now the dominant political force in the country, coming in first in nearly every constituency.

Ennahda did take half of the 18 seats reserved for Tunisians living abroad in official preliminary results released Monday. Two center-left parties took seven other seats between them — a distribution of seats expected to replicated domestically.

“Ennahda has taken first place on the national level and at the level of the constituencies,” said Abdel Hamid Jelassi, the party’s campaign manager at a triumphant press conference outside its headquarters amid cheering supporters.

In the half century since its 1956 independence from France, Tunisia has been practically a one-party state until Tunisians kicked out President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali in Janu-

ary after a monthlong popular uprising. Nine months of unrest, further demonstrations and political wrangling in the country of 10 million preceded Sunday’s vote, which saw a huge turnout.

The constituent assembly elected will have an incredibly important role in building Tunisia’s new democracy. It will not only appoint a new interim government but write the constitution that will determine how the country will function.

Tunisia’s elections coincided with declarations in neighboring Libya by its new leaders that the country has been liberated from the yoke of longtime dictator Moammar Gadhafi. Libya’s new leaders also announced plans with a sharply Islamist tone that could rattle their Western backers.

Ennahda says it wants Islamic law, to be the source of the country’s legislation, but also insists that the country’s progressive personal status code is compatible with its ideals and that it respects all religions and creeds. The party’s ability to gain votes by moderating its message in a country with a progressive social history could be a model for Islamist parties elsewhere.

“Islamist groups are learning to play politics in the sense of moderating their message and moving to the center,” said Philip Howard, a professor at the University of Washington and the director of the Project on Information Technology and Political Islam. “They start out fundamentalist but then become content to participate in party politics and move to the center, giving up some of their radical politics.”

Habib Bourguiba, who led Tunisia to independence, was a staunch secularist, and helped shape what was outwardly one of the more Westernized societies in the region, with a progressive personal status code for women — and harsh repression for Islamists.

When asked why they voted for Ennahda, Tunisians cited everything from protection of Islam to the hope that the party could deliver jobs, to the fact that it once severely repressed by the government.

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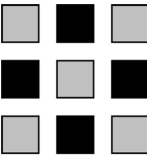
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High school shooters injure one



Parents of children attending Cape Fear High School in Fayetteville, N.C., pray in a circle near the school after a shooting injured a student Monday.

Associated Press

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — Two teenagers were in custody in the shooting of a 15-year-old fellow student who was wounded in the neck during a lunch period outside her North Carolina high school, and a sheriff said Monday the pair will be charged.

The 18-year-old and 15-year-old male suspects and the victim attend Cape Fear High School in Fayetteville, Cumberland County Sheriff Earl “Moose” Butler said at a news conference. Both suspects participated in the shooting and were being questioned, he said. The weapon, a .22 Daisy rifle and shell casings have been recovered.

Abercrombie was in stable condition after surgery at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center, according to Butler, who said she was standing in a

breezeway outside the school cafeteria when she was shot.

Tanna said the older suspect is scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday, while the 15-year-old will go to juvenile court, although an exact date for the student’s appearance wasn’t known.

The sheriff said the two teens were apprehended with the help of surveillance video which showed them carrying the rifle inside the school. The suspects were either in the hallway with the door open or outside the breezeway where Abercrombie was walking.

While the high school has metal detectors, Butler said he didn’t know if they were used on a daily basis at the school. WTVD reported that the suspects may have sneaked the rifle into the rural school in a shirt or pants.

Butler said investigators don’t think Abercrombie was the intended target, but no

motive has been established.

“Why did they shoot? I don’t know,” he said.

The high school and nearby Mac Williams Middle School were locked down for hours before students were allowed to go home.

Butler said additional staff will be on hand at both schools on Tuesday to help the school resource officer on duty. The schools are scheduled to operate as normal.

Asked how long the extra deputies would be on the campuses, sheriff’s office spokeswoman Debbie Tanna said, “As long as it takes to make sure the school has been put back in order and students and parents feel confident about their safety.”

A police officer assigned to the high school was standing near Abercrombie when she was shot at about 1 p.m. and immediately called 911, Tanna said.

Stock market reaches highest level in months

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stock indexes closed Monday at the highest point since the U.S. debt limit showdown in August. The market was driven higher by a round of big corporate takeovers and reports that Europe’s bailout fund will be larger than originally thought. The Nasdaq composite turned positive for the year.

Netflix Inc. plunged 26 percent in after-hours trading after the DVD-by-mail and video streaming company forecast a sharp drop in fourth-quarter profits.

Investors are still waiting for a resolution to Europe’s debt problems. European leaders said they made progress at a weekend summit and plan to unveil concrete plans for containing the crisis by Wednesday.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up about 40 points in the first hour of trading but moved steadily higher through midday following reports that Europe’s takeover fund will be greatly expanded. It finished with a gain of 104.83 points, or 0.9 percent, at 11,913.62.

“The market is expecting that there will be some kind of deal worked out Wednesday,” when European financial ministers are scheduled to meet, said Uri Landesman, president of Platinum Partners. “If there’s not a deal by then, the market is going down significantly.”

Even with concerns about Europe, U.S. companies are still reporting bigger profits. “Although there is a good deal of economic and political uncertainty in the world, we are not seeing it much in our business at this point,” Caterpillar Chief Executive Doug Oberhelman said.

The maker of construction equipment reported a 44 percent surge in income, more than Wall Street analysts were expecting, thanks to strong growth in exports. The company said it expected the global economy to continue recovering, albeit slowly. Caterpillar jumped 5 percent, the most of the 30 companies in the Dow.

The Standard & Poor’s 500 index rose to 1,254.19. That is just 3.45 points, or 0.3 percent, below where it started

the year. It’s the highest close for the S&P 500 since Aug. 3, just as Washington was resolving a showdown over raising the country’s borrowing limit. If the S&P 500 finishes the year with a gain, it will be its biggest turnaround since 1984.

The Nasdaq composite rose 61.98, or 2.3 percent, to 2,699.44. The gains turned the Nasdaq positive for the year. The S&P 500 is the only major market index that remains lower than where it started the year.

The Russell 2000 index of small companies rose 3.3 percent as investors moved money into higher-risk assets.

Netflix sank 26.4 percent post-market trading after forecasting fourth-quarter income that was far below what analysts were expecting. Through Monday’s close the stock had plunged 59 percent since July 12, when it raised prices and announced a plan to break its DVD-by-mail business into a separate company. The company abandoned the plan after it triggered a revolt among subscribers.

Other major U.S. companies due to report earnings this week include UPS Inc., Ford Motor Co. and Procter & Gamble.


Analysts expect companies in the S&P 500 to report earnings growth of 14 percent for the third quarter, according to data provider FactSet. They expect a 10 percent gain in revenue.

Expenses are also expected to climb. Higher costs for raw materials helped drag down income 8 percent at Kimberly-Clark Corp., which reported results Monday. The stock fell 5 percent. The company is a major consumer products maker whose brands include Huggies and Kleenex.


Higher costs also hurt cigarette maker Lorillard, which reported a 3 percent drop in income. Lorillard’s stock fell 0.6 percent.


A series of corporate deals helped lift the market, said Phil Orlando, chief equity strategist at Federated Investors.

“This is telling us that companies think stocks are cheap, and they’re willing to spend some of the cash that’s sitting around on their balance sheets,” he said.



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INSIDE COLUMN

Xavier

Two weeks ago, we mourned the passing of Xavier Murphy. He was a man of Notre Dame, and, more closely to my own heart, a man of Zahm.

There are many ways to objectively label Xavier. He was a student, a political science major, a head manager and then intern for the football team, a friend and a son.

Kevin Noonan

Scene Writer

But he was so much more than that. I did not know Xavier well; we crossed paths a handful of times at most, and he would not have known my name or face.

But at the same time, I feel like I know him intimately. I feel like we all know him, because we are him in so many ways. Xavier was you and he was me.

He was a boy with hopes, dreams, goals, joys, disappointments, successes and struggles. He worried about tests, girls, jobs and laundry.

He was a Notre Dame student who loved his University and loved his dorm. He was buried in a Notre Dame polo with a Zahm shirt underneath.

He was a man of compassion and courage, facing his short battle with cancer with the quiet strength and big smile with which he approached the rest of his life.

When we learned in Zahm of Xavier's death, we marked our remembrance with a Mass and a silent trip to the Grotto.

I'm not an overly sentimental person, or at least I try to act like it, but walking into the Grotto with the Zahm community that night, each one of us placing a candle and saying a silent prayer in remembrance of our brother, was one of the most emotionally overwhelming experiences of my life so far.

I was deeply saddened by the loss of such a young and promising life, and the feeling was only magnified by the importance of unity instilled in me since I arrived in Zahm.

I said before, I did not know him well, and neither did my friends. But the pull of the current of brotherhood running through us was so strong that we truly felt deep in our hearts that we had lost a brother — a brother in Zahm, a brother in Notre Dame and a brother in Christ.

As I stood with my fellow Zahmbies, though, our arms raised in silent X's as tribute to our fallen brother, I was overcome with a sense of gratitude and community. The outpouring of love for a man who many of us, especially underclassmen, barely knew and shared with only the collective bond of Zahm and Notre Dame was simply powerful.

Death is never easy to handle or comprehend, especially when it happens so suddenly and to someone so young. But I found solace in the dynamic that our Notre Dame community possesses.

We have a unique ability to join together in love and unity to show our mourning for a young man who so loved and so believed in this.

On Saturday, Zahm is asking that the student body join them in raising their arms in their traditional X during the game. Normally a sign of defiance, it bears a new meaning on Saturday.

Join us in raising the X as a full university to show our support for Xavier Murphy and all others who struggle and have struggled against cancer and illness, and we can show the world how much each individual member of our community means to us.

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What's next for Libya?

Libya's civil war has now reached its last and most difficult phase. With Colonel Qaddafi gone, Libya is now free to begin transitioning from war mode to recovery mode. This entails an entirely new set of challenges. Under Qaddafi, freedom of the press was virtually non-existent, elections were anything but fair and government agencies functioned as his personal bureaucracy rather than as a competent administration. All of these institutions will need to be built in the coming months, and progress will undoubtedly be slow and uneven.

William Miller

Guest Columnist

However, the above set of challenges is less daunting than others that face the new regime. Three broad obstacles now lie between Libya and a stable and lasting peace. First, the remnants of Qaddafi's forces still hold considerable sway across much of the country. This is especially true around his hometown of Sirte and in Libya's southern deserts. Even more troubling, it now appears that many of the Colonel's arms depots were looted before rebel forces could capture them. International agencies have confirmed that thousands of anti-aircraft missiles, rocket launchers, small arms and other munitions have gone missing as a result.

This is scarily reminiscent of Iraq,

where the defeated remnants of Saddam's army stored away weapons that later became the basis for a stubborn insurgency. Libyan forces must move quickly to secure these depots before more weapons can be stolen and hidden away. Failure to do so could leave the country vulnerable to a future insurgency and will make it much more difficult for the transitional government to impose national rules on towns, regions and tribes with different agendas.

Second, the new government must come forward with a serious plan to guarantee minority rights in the new country. Much of the continued resistance is based on fears that the new regime, which sprouted in the eastern city of Benghazi, will attempt to impose its will on the western areas, including those that are home to Qaddafi's tribe. This fear is also prevalent among Bedouin tribes in the south, most of which remain loyal to the Colonel. The best way to accomplish this is to begin integrating the old regime's forces into a newly created government, and by guaranteeing that Bedouin tribes will maintain some degree of autonomy under the new constitution.

Finally, a new and professional army must be built in a short period of time. Rebel forces became more and more organized as the conflict progressed, but do not yet resemble a truly legitimate force. This was painfully demonstrated in Qaddafi's

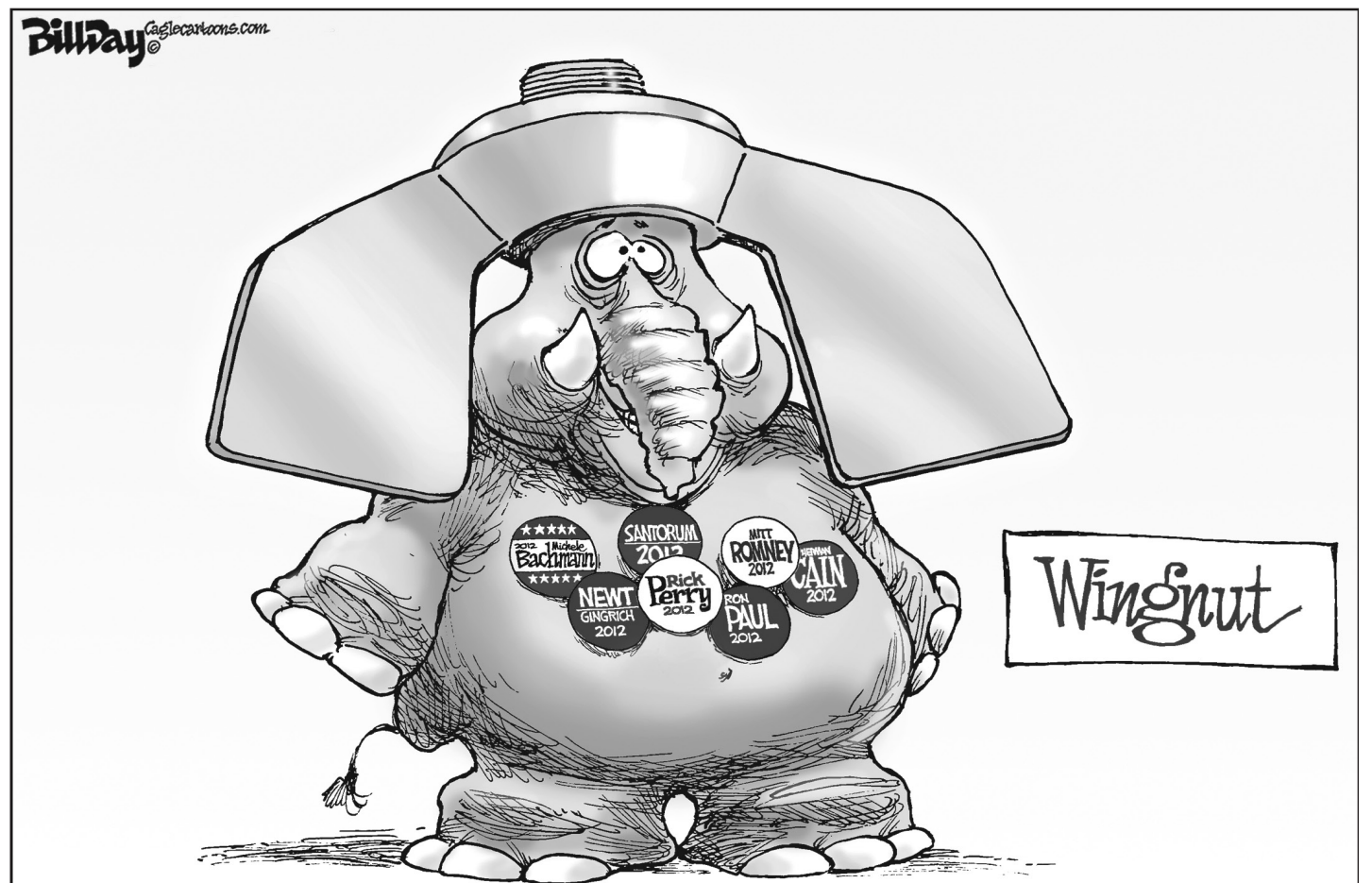
capture when militia forces captured and then apparently executed him. Incidents like this only confirm fears that the new regime is as brutal as the old, which is for the most part untrue. Without a legitimate army, however, each tribe will feel it necessary to take matters into its own hands, undermining any sort of democratic process that might emerge in the coming months and years. International agencies such as the U.N. have a large role to play in this process, and trainers from the U.N., E.U. and NATO should be dispatched quickly to begin training and preparing the army for its new role in society.

Libya must now face the hard reality that democracy is built upon much more than just democratic institutions. It must be built on stability, and that stability will be impossible to achieve so long as weapons still lie scattered around the country, minorities don't feel protected and no legitimate army exists to back the new government. The rebels have thus far shown competence above and beyond what could have been expected; they will need to do even better if Libya is to become a truly free and democratic country.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't mess with tradition

It felt like an away game, not a Notre Dame home game. The effect of the misguided effort to artificially increase crowd noise resulted in a blowout loss to our archrival that we have not beaten at home for a decade. While USC coach Lane Kiffin focused on preparation, our staff was preoccupied with its latest effort at meddling with Irish tradition, confusing our team into its worst performance of the season.

Coach Kelly may have seen his first Notre Dame game last year. I saw my first of over 200 games in 1969. As a Double Domer and parent of two Notre Dame graduates, I saw Parseghian, Devine and Holtz win because they focused on football and respected tradition. I experienced deafening crowd noise when the stadium seated 59,000. The issue is not the crowd. It's attention to detail, preparation, not failing to play hard at the beginning of the game, using timeouts and not quitting (Michigan went 80 yards in 30 seconds; Auburn beat Utah St. down two touchdowns with two minutes left.) Overlooked in the effort to copy the Michigan atmosphere is that we took the lead with 30 seconds left. Irish mistakes lost that game. Artificial stadium noise didn't win it.

The misplaced concern over crowd noise ignores the fact that our team feels comfortable and plays well at Notre Dame Stadium. Look at the Michigan State game — arguably our best game of the season over a quality opponent. No gimmicks. Just solid football.

New truck, new Player Walk route, new helmets do not win games — solid football does.

Want to increase crowd noise? Play better. Want more musical noise? Properly mic the band. We have the most famous fight song in college football and best band in the nation — use them. Notre Dame is a family. The decision makers need to remember that.

Notre Dame requires excellence from its students and staff. We should expect no less from our football program.

Wayne Belock
alumnus
Class of 1979, 1982
Oct. 23

Gameday noise

I am irate. Gameday at Notre Dame, for decades, has been one of the most unique atmospheres in all of college football. What I witnessed during the USC game this past Saturday was barely recognizable as a Notre Dame gameday. Bluntly, the entertainment product trotted out on Saturday was a disgrace.

As a third-generation legacy, I recognize that most of our “traditions” are in flux. Here, tradition is defined by what any particular graduating class experienced. With this understanding, I'm not opposed to change.

However, Notre Dame has always sought to distinguish itself by maintaining a unique gameday atmosphere. If the athletic department is compelled to artificially institute a change to the gameday atmosphere (i.e. not a student driven change), I implore them to introduce creative and unique changes, thus preserving Notre Dame's legacy, as opposed to attempting to import, wholesale, the atmosphere from Big 10 and SEC schools.

First, I posit that while the crowd was louder when the piped in rock music was played, that this was more due to correlation than causation. Notre Dame fans are savvy. The crowd was loud because the game situation demanded it and not because another Jock Jams song was queued up on the sound system.

Second, the selection of songs was atrocious. Continuously playing “Crazy Train” and “Seven Nation Army” and drowning out the band was initially laughable and later, just depressing. The realization dawned that those in charge of in-game atmosphere don't truly understand what differentiates Notre Dame from its peers and are either unwilling or incapable of instituting creative changes that don't ape the cookie-cutter college football gameday experience.

If the piped-in music is to continue, choose appropriate songs (like the Dropkick Murphy's version of “Rocky Road to Dublin” or Thin Lizzy's cover of “Whiskey in the Jar”) and play them selectively during the interminable TV timeouts in place of making the on-field, “Please turn your attention to the 20-yard line” announcements.

Leave the between-play atmosphere to the band and students.

Matthew Meagher
alumnus
Class of 2008
Oct. 24

A T-shirt challenge

On Oct. 7, a clothing company named Alta Gracia presented their Dominican Republic operations in the Geddes Coffeehouse. Student turnout was understandably low; it was a home football Friday. Nevertheless, this presentation's effects should ripple through decisions for dorms, the Leprechaun Legion, The Shirt Project and the University as a whole.

Alta Gracia is the only collegiate apparel company that is committed to zero-sweat factories. Workers are paid full living wages, 340 percent of the minimum wage, enabling them to meet all life's basic needs: food, water, clothing, shelter, health care and education for the workers and their families. Workers shared that this factory truly changed their life for the better, a first in the clothing industry. One individual only saw his wife and children three times a month before Alta Gracia; his other job was hours away. Others are exceedingly grateful for their economic empowerment and the ability to return to school in time off (their way out of poverty.)

The Workers' Rights Consortium consistently applauds the work of this company. Workers are treated like humans, not shirt-making machines. They get breaks, reasonable hours and early departure on Fridays. If there is one

company that allows us to act as clothing consumers according to the principles of Catholic teaching at the same time, I'm convinced it's Alta Gracia.

This lies in stark contrast to the human rights abuses we know happen in most clothing factories. Adidas, one of the worst offenders, made this year's Shirt and is under University contract. What human rights violations lay behind our \$5 dorm T-shirts made by Gildan or Jerzees? We betray our position as the nation's flagship Catholic institution by knowingly opting for clothing produced under deplorable conditions, especially when such a great alternative exists. Using Alta Gracia shirts for the Legion, The Shirt and dorms would send a loud, clear message to all who buy Notre Dame apparel.

As long as Alta Gracia remains dedicated to worker dignity and a living wage in the face of other company's violations, it should be the only brand the University allows to bear its name.

Samuel Evola
sophomore
O'Neill Hall
Oct. 20

True Fighting Irish spirit

When I started planning for NTD Awareness Week 2011, which wrapped up on Oct. 9, I was angry.

I was angry that my club, ND Fighting NTDs, which is dedicated to raising awareness of neglected tropical diseases — a group of diseases that infect 1.4 billion people yet can be treated for just \$0.50 each day — received a pittance of an allocation from the Club Coordination Council. I was angry that Congress is cutting humanitarian aid for NTD victims by ten percent next year. I was angry that no one on this campus seemed to know or care what an NTD was, outside of the couple dozen people in ND Fighting NTDs.

I write this having had a major change of heart. From the first event of NTD Awareness Week Monday morning, a bagel and brochure giveaway outside of DeBartolo, to the last event Sunday night, a collection in dorm Masses and a Rosary for Global Health at the Grotto, I was overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and generosity of the Notre Dame students, faculty and staff. The entire campus opened its ears, hearts and wallets to our cause. There were such quiet acts of kindness and generosity throughout the week

that made all of our club's hard work worth it 10 times over: a nameless person dropping a \$50 bill in our cash box at the dirt cup dessert sale and telling us to keep the change, a guitarist in Sorin College donating a stack of bills he'd earned playing on the quad before the Air Force game to his dorm's Mass collection, a large cash donation from a prominent Notre Dame figure who asked not to be recognized for his generosity — the list goes on.

I am still passionate about neglected tropical diseases and frustrated at the absence of a unified international effort to treat these “best buys” in global health. However, I am heartened to see that the Fighting Irish spirit isn't limited to the football field. The Notre Dame community reminded me last week that you care deeply about the impoverished people of our world, and through your words and actions, have committed to fighting for those who are fighting to live.

God bless, and thank you,

Emily Conron
junior
Breen-Phillips Hall
Oct. 13

Grotto Matt

It is no secret that the Grotto is a special place. It is a gorgeous haven, offering a place for quiet reflection in the midst of campus chaos. It has many meanings and memories to anyone who has ever lit a candle, knelt for a prayer or even just passed through.

I find an unmatched comfort in the communal and cyclic nature of prayer at the Grotto. Candles are lit by individuals as prayers of needs or thanks and placed among the intentions of others for the community to hold. Even when you are forced to tend to other matters, your prayer is still felt by all who visit the Grotto. Even though you don't know the name or face of the person who lit the candles, you are still able to hold their intentions in your personal prayers.

Monday night, the idea of the Grotto being a

place of community support took new form. I sat shocked and saddened by the loss of a dear family friend. I was joined by a stranger. He introduced himself as Matt, and he sat with me. Although at the time, I was silenced by the shock of her sudden passing, the offering of support from an unknown member of my Notre Dame family was remarkable. I sometimes forget how unique the spiritual strength of this community is and appreciate the pleasant reminder, especially in a time of sorrow, that I always have my Notre Dame family to rely on. Thanks for that.

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Oct. 12

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Umpfrey's McGee returns to South Bend

By COURTNEY ECKERLE
Scene Writer

The boys were back in town Sunday night.

The band comprised completely of Notre Dame alumni, Umpfrey's McGee, graced the stage at Club Fever, almost two years after their last appearance in South Bend.

"It's honestly really great to be back, and see so many faces of friends and family mixed in with new ones," lead singer Brendan Bayliss said after a few intro songs and one very fluid jam session.

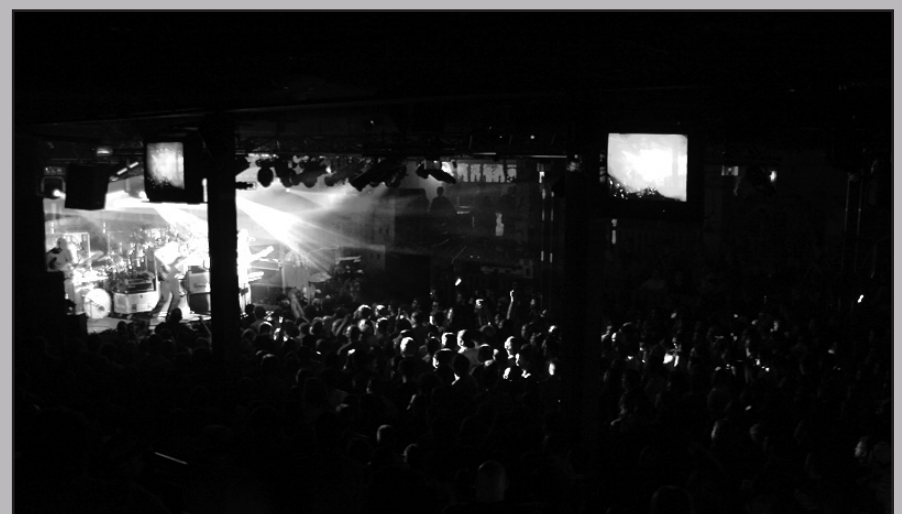
It's easy to see why this band has built a loyal following on their tour. It is electric, interactive and throws a great concert. Fever is also a surprisingly great concert venue. With its upper levels, there is no shortage of

great vantage points, and it is almost impossible to have a bad seat.

Umpfrey's managed to keep a relatively garage band atmosphere, jamming with each other like they probably did when they played under the Dome 14 years ago. They mixed known songs, like "In the Kitchen" and "Anchor Drops" with tracks from their latest album, "Death by Stereo", which were well-received by the crowd.

Overall, it was exactly what a good concert should be — filled with people who know and love the music, and a band that sounds better in person than they do digitally, which these days, makes Umpfrey's McGee a hard act to follow.

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IDES OF MARCH reveals little about politics



By COURTNEY COX
Associate Scene Editor

“*Ides of March*,” a political thriller both starring and directed by George Clooney, seemed to say nothing original about the American political system, but rather embraced the conventional wisdom that all politicians are power hungry sell-outs.

The film followed junior campaign advisor Stephen Meyers (Ryan Gosling) through the presidential primary campaign of Governor Mike Morris (Clooney).

Meyers was a slick, talented and fresh face on the political scene. It’s assumed that he knew what he was doing in terms of organizing a campaign, but the audience never really gets to see his strategizing in action.

This type of omission was exactly what made the film a relatively shallow representation of politics with a very thinly veiled message. It was much less about politics than it was about human error.

Morris was the type of Democratic candidate who was so extreme as to be polarizing, but in the film it’s never truly acknowledged.

Very briefly, Morris talked about how he was raised Catholic and now does not believe in the Catholic Church, but rather in the Constitution of the United States. Bold statements like this were interspersed throughout the entire film but they serve as the backdrop of the story and are of no importance for moving the plot forward.

A main story arc followed the competition between the two Democratic candidates vying for an endorsement from Senator Thompson.

At first, Morris’ team thought they had the endorsement in the bag. That is until Meyers meets with rival campaign manager Tom Duffy (Paul Giamatti).

Duffy informed Meyers that his candidate offered Thompson the position of Secretary of State in exchange for the endorsement. Meyers was hesitant to believe him, and unwilling to fully broach the subject with his boss, Paul Zara (Philip Seymour Hoffman), because Zara was unaware of the meeting between Duffy and Meyers in the first place.

The entire Thompson plotline was intertwined with the romantic entanglement of Meyers with an aggressive intern, Molly Stearns (Evan Rachel Wood).

It’s characters like Stearns who make “intern” a dirty word. She played coy as she flirted with the second most powerful person on the campaign and made her intentions crystal clear when she invited him to have a drink with her.

Lurking in the background of the entire movie was Ida Horowicz (Marisa Tomei), a political reporter for the New York Times. Horowicz didn’t play nice with any of the campaign staff,

no matter how buddy-buddy she attempted to appear on the surface. It was her stories that the campaigns fear the most. Any bit of information she received could be the end of a politician’s career.

The heavy-hitting cast certainly pulled their weight and made what would be a standard political melodrama into a more successful and perhaps more meaningful tale.

Seymour Hoffman and Giamatti shine as jaded top dogs. Seymour Hoffman was a fantastic blend of smooth-talker and sagely advisor. He created a character that the audience wants to believe and more importantly, wants to trust.

Clooney has proven his worth a thousand times over, and the fact that he co-wrote the screenplay for the film, directed it and starred in it is simply a testament to his skill. Clooney’s Morris is an extremely realistic iteration of a politician because the screenplay chooses not to make a huge deal about the distinction between the public and private Morris. They instead chose to focus on one moment of moral failing, which is infinitely more likely.

Gosling’s portrayal of Meyers was the most plot-driven development out of any character, but he still managed to elevate it into a thoughtful performance. He doesn’t rely on dialogue to make you understand the transformation.

In the beginning he was certainly an ideologue, but not to the extent that he would seem naïve. As his role in the campaign becomes more complicated, however, Gosling shifted gears into a stern portrayal of a man who has just had every illusion about his boss completely shattered.

The movie was meant to draw out the role of human desire in politics, and while it was well crafted, it attempted to portray the entire realm of politics in one fashion without drawing out any of the nuances that could have made this film great.

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“Ides of March” Columbia Pictures

Starring: George Clooney, Ryan Gosling, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Paul Giamatti and Evan Rachel Wood
Directed By: George Clooney



SCENE *Selects*

1 “Homeland”

Premiering just a few weeks after the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11, Showtime’s “Homeland” brings to television a political terrorist drama that realistically explores issues that feel current and relevant to Americans. Claire Danes is at her best as a complex, not wholly likable CIA officer who believes that a recently released POW (Damian Lewis) may not be the war hero everyone thinks he is. Is she just trying to protect the United States from a potential traitor and terrorist attack? Or is she infringing on a psychologically scarred citizen’s rights?

2 Halloween Preparations

It’s that time of the year again. That weekend when you can dress up as your favorite cartoon character, movie star, musician, and yes, even your favorite cereal, and no one can say anything about it. “Mean Girls” famously pointed out that it’s the one time of the year when girls can dress really skimpy and no other girls can say anything. Over the years countless costumes have become easy — Pac-Man, Catholic school girl and Teletubbies to name a few. This year is the year to step it up and embrace the blood and guts part of Halloween. Let’s see who can be almost as freaky as Lady Gaga.

3 Kingston Rossdale

The pint-size son of Gwen Stefani and Gavin Rossdale is perhaps even more stylish than his superstar parents. From walking in the finale of mom’s fashion line, L.A.M.B., to strutting down the streets of London in Harry Potter-style glasses and leopard jeggings, Kingston is the epitome of little kid cool. He’s been seen dressed up in everything from pirate garb to plaid pants, but like his parents before him, it never seems too stuffy. Keep on rocking it out, Kingston.

4 “Project Runway

With the season nine finale looming, it’s bittersweet to know that fan-favorite Anya won’t be a Thursday night fixture for much longer. The remaining designers are relatively well-matched and going into fashion week it’s anyone’s game. In the last episode, Victor pulled out a cohesive Spring collection with the most intricately designed motorcycle jacket the show has ever seen and Kimberly’s escalated urban collection was an effortlessly fun testament to New York City. While this season may be drawing to an end, true fans still have the upcoming “Project Runway: All-Stars” season to look forward to.

5 “American Horror Story”

“American Horror Story,” created by Ryan Murphy of “Nip/Tuck” and “Glee,” is possibly the most disturbing show on television. It centers on a family who moves to California, into a house with a sordid history of murder. The house receives frequent ghostly visitors, and in true haunted-house fashion, has a horribly terrifying basement. If you can get past the sometimes-gratuitous violence, nudity and disturbing images, this show will become a Halloween favorite. “American Horror Story” airs Wednesdays on FX.

SPORTS AUTHORITY

College football at its best

It is the reason many love college football. It is the reason some claim a playoff is not necessary. It is the reason we watch unranked and over-matched teams take on top-five title contenders.

It happened last weekend.

In a week-end that defined college football's unpredictable and erratic style, two of the top six teams lost in shocking fashion, their national championship hopes dashed.

The first half of the season was nice, cute and a little entertaining, but was nothing compared to the shocking firecracker that was Saturday.

If the first half of the season was Pam from The Office, this past weekend was Brooklyn Decker.

Preseason No. 1 Oklahoma — thought to be invincible at home — fell to Texas Tech, whose best win prior to Saturday was an 11-point victory over a 2-5 Kansas squad. But now the Red Raiders boast a marquee road win over a top-five foe. And, oh yeah, they snapped the Sooners' 39-home game winning streak.

Oklahoma had beaten two top-15 teams by a combined 48 points. They had averaged nearly 55 points in the past three games. And, oh yeah, they had that winning streak. Everything seemed to be going right for Oklahoma.

But then college football reappeared and reminded the Sooners that no game is guaranteed.

Undefeated Wisconsin entered its matchup against No. 16 Michigan State with a Heisman contender at quarterback and an average margin of victory of over 40 points per game. They left East Lansing, however, with a stunning loss after a

Hail Mary fell into Spartan hands as time expired.

The Badgers' closest game previously was a 31-point thumping of then-No. 8 Nebraska. Opponents had reached double-digit points only three times against the Wisconsin defense. Only two ranked opponents remained on the schedule. Everything seemed to be going right for Wisconsin.

But then college football reappeared and notified the Badgers that no game is guaranteed.

If the first half of the season was a Toyota Camry, this past weekend was a Ferrari Spider.

But this is the beauty of college football. This past weekend made underdogs winners; Vegas, victors. But ultimately, we, the fans, came out on top.

Suddenly, the national championship race is wide open. Oklahoma State is now sitting pretty at No. 3 while Stanford has quietly stayed the undefeated course.

But will I be paying attention when California visits Stanford? How about when Oklahoma State hosts Baylor? Yes and yes, and so should you.

Those games represent why March Madness is addictive and popular. Just as people like to see Morehead State knock off Louisville, people love to see Wisconsin fall in the last second. Just as people like to see Butler make the national

title game, people love to see Oklahoma choke. They love to see undefeated teams fall flat on their face. And so do I.

People love upsets and underdogs and little guys beating big giants — everything that characterized this past weekend.

If the first half of the season was a tortilla chips and salsa appetizer, this past weekend was a Maine lobster and medium rare Filet Mignon entrée. And I could eat steak all day.

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Matthew DeFranks
Sports Writer

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NFL

Redskins plagued with injuries

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — From healthy, first-place surprise to battered and struggling, the Washington Redskins had their fortunes take another dive Monday when running back Tim Hightower was declared out for the season with a torn knee ligament and receiver Santana Moss underwent hand surgery that is expected to sideline him for 5-7 weeks.

That makes five starters lost to significant injuries over the last two weeks, coinciding with a two-game losing streak and a quarterback switch.

The Redskins (3-3), sitting so pretty after winning three of their first four, are on their heels. Little seems to be going right, and some of the misfortune is truly out of the norm. London Fletcher — who has never missed a game in his 14-year NFL career — has a hamstring injury that might finally get him off the field, and demoted quarterback Rex Grossman is in the hospital with pneumonia.

“We’ve got a lot of young players,” coach Mike Shanahan said. “We’re going to get a chance to see how much talent they do (have), and how quickly they can improve.

“And, hopefully, it’s quick.” Hightower is the team’s leading rusher. Moss is the top wide-out. With the injury-induced shuffling along the offensive line, there are now only four offensive starters — tight end Fred Davis, receiver Jabar Gaffney, right guard Chris Chester and right tackle Jammal Brown — still manning their same positions from the beginning of the season.

“I felt like coming into the season we had a chance to be a good football team; I still feel like that,” cornerback DeAngelo Hall said. “We’re a little banged up, though, there’s no doubt about that. ... (But) this is a different group. This isn’t a group that’s going to hang their heads and feel sorry for themselves. We’re going to bounce back.”

Hightower and Moss were hurt in Sunday’s 33-20 loss to the Carolina Panthers. Hightower’s left knee buckled when he tried to make a cut during a 4-yard carry in the third quarter, ending his season with 321 yards on 84 carries.

Ryan Torain and rookie fourth-round draft pick Roy Helu will try to take up the slack, although neither has Hightower’s locker room leadership or ability to pick up a blitz. Torain had a 135-yard game in relief three weeks ago, but since then he has 12 carries for 17 yards. Helu’s last 16 attempts



Redskins’ running back Tim Hightower is helped off the field in the third quarter of Washington’s 33-20 loss to Carolina on Sunday.

have netted only 55 yards.

Hightower gave an emotional speech to his teammates after the game, encouraging them to soldier on.

“It’s always tough to lose a player like that,” Shanahan said, “who leads both on and off the football field.”

Moss has 25 catches for 301 yards, second in receptions on the team behind tight end Davis. Moss broke his left hand in the first half against Carolina and had three pins inserted into the area around his index finger on Monday.

That leaves Gaffney, who has a team-high 361 yards, and either Anthony Armstrong or fifth-round rookie Niles Paul as the starting tandem for this week’s game against the Buffalo Bills (4-2) at Toronto.

Fletcher, the heart and soul of the defense, left the Panthers loss early. His streak of 214 straight games might be in danger.

“I don’t think it’s that serious,” Shanahan said. “But we’ll find out more on Wednesday.”

As if that weren’t enough, Grossman spent Sunday’s game in the locker room fighting pneumonia and a fever. Shanahan said Grossman would have come out to play if needed, but the coach also had receiver Terrence Austin taking snaps as an emergency quarterback during pregame warmups. Grossman is now being treated in a hospital for at least the next 48 hours.

Among those already on the sideline: Tight end Chris Cooley,

left tackle Trent Williams and left guard Kory Lichtensteiger, all hurt in the previous week’s loss to Philadelphia. Lichtensteiger is out for the season with torn knee ligaments, Cooley is sidelined indefinitely with a broken finger and is having his balky knee re-examined, and Williams is week-to-week with a sprained ankle.

The injury news overshadowed mixed results from John Beck, who completed 22 of 37 passes for 279 yards with one passing touchdown, one rushing touchdown, one interception and one lost fumble in his first start in four years.

Those numbers aren’t bad, especially given the injuries, but Beck stood out in a different way Monday. It’s been years since Redskins quarterbacks held regular day-after-game chats with reporters, but Beck made an appearance in the locker room and wrapped it up making a point to defend rookie receiver Leonard Hankerson. Hankerson, making his NFL debut, took a wrong turn on the first pass intended for him, leading to the only interception thrown by Beck.

“Hey, listen, the play with Hankerson, it’s on me,” Beck said. “I’m the guy that has got the ball in my hand, and I’m the guy that makes the decision where that ball goes, and we’re very excited to have Hankerson be a part of this football team. He’s going to be a great asset to this football team. Nothing goes on Hankerson. It all goes on me. You got that?”

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"I want to make a good entrance. I never makes good entrances." - George Costanza

"I think I'm pretty much like you, only successful." - Jerry Seinfeld

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MLB

Rangers beat Cardinals in Game 5 of World Series



Rangers first baseman Mitch Moreland hits a home run during Game 5 of the World Series against St. Louis. Texas won 4-2.

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — A long drive by Mike Napoli, a lucky bounce near the mound and suddenly the Texas Rangers were on the brink of their first World Series championship.

Napoli delivered the biggest hit of his charmed season, lining a tiebreaking two-run double in the eighth inning that sent the Rangers past the St. Louis Cardinals 4-2 on Monday night for a 3-2 edge.

The slugging catcher then capped off his night of double duty, throwing out a would-be base stealer in the ninth as Albert Pujols struck out.

“Pujols is going to put it in play, he’s a good contact hitter,” Napoli said, “and they were just starting the runner, 3-2. As soon as I got it, I just got rid of it and put it on the bag.”

Texas will try to wrap it up in Game 6 on Wednesday night in St. Louis.

If the Rangers eventually do win that elusive crown, the Texas fans who stood and chanted Napoli’s name may forever remember his two-run hit.

“Just trying to get something to the outfield, you know, get a sac fly, get that run across the board,” Napoli said. “I was trying to stay short and I got a pitch I could handle over the middle of the plate and put it in the gap.”

If the Cardinals lose, there’s no doubt which play will stick with manager Tony La Russa for a long, long time.

It was 2-all when Texas put runners on first and second with one out in the eighth, and reliever Marc Rzepczynski was summoned. David Murphy followed with a bouncer back to the mound, a possible inning-ending double play in the making.

But the ball appeared to glance off Rzepczynski’s knee and trickled harmlessly away for a single that loaded the bases. In the dugout, La Russa immediately threw his hands to his head, a true “Oh, no!” moment.

La Russa elected to let his lefty stay in to face the right-handed

Napoli, and it didn’t work.

Napoli, who came close to a three-run homer in his previous at-bat, sent a drive up the alley against the pitcher with the nickname “Scrabble.” The double off Rzepczynski sure spelled good things for Texas, with excitable manager Ron Washington waving the runners around from the dugout.

Darren Oliver earned the win and Neftali Feliz closed for his second save of the Series and sixth of the postseason.

After a travel day, the Series will resume at Busch Stadium with Colby Lewis facing Cardinals lefty Jaime Garcia. The weather forecast in St. Louis is daunting, calling for rain and temperatures around 50.

Adrian Beltre and Mitch Moreland hit solo home runs off Cardinals ace Chris Carpenter, helping Texas come back from an early 2-0 deficit.

Later, it became a battle of the bullpens and Texas prevailed.

Octavio Dotel gave up a lead-off double to Michael Young in the eighth, struck out Beltre and intentionally walked Nelson Cruz. That left it up to Rzepczynski, and the game quickly slipped away.

La Russa appeared stunned by the turnaround. Later in the eighth, he brought in reliever Lance Lynn and had him issue an intentional walk to the only batter he faced. Jason Motte eventually ended the inning, but it was too late.

Fittingly, Napoli had a role in the final play. Lance Berkman struck out and the ball hit Napoli’s shin guard and trickled up the first base line, where the catcher picked it up and tossed to first base to end the game.

Pujols drew three intentional walks, including a pass with two outs and none on in the seventh. The St. Louis slugger then nearly used his legs to put his team ahead.

Pujols was running hard on a 3-2 pitch that Matt Holliday hit for a single to left-center. Pujols chugged around the bags and third base coach Jose Oquendo initially waved him home, only to put up a late stop sign.

Saint Mary's starts year at Conference Relays

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Belles finish 18th in Oberlin

The Belles will face Alma on Saturday in Alma, Mich. for the MIAA Championship meet. The race will begin at 11 a.m.

Jones-Drews, Jaguars top Ravens

Baltimore finally got a first down on its 28th play of the game when Rice broke off a 12-yard run. That was only the second play longer than 10 yards for the Ravens, although they picked up two more first downs on the drive. It ended when Dwight Lowery sacked Flacco, and Billy Cundiff's 52-yard field goal was wide right.

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MEN’S TENNIS

Irish excel at tourney in Ohio



JAMES DOAN/The Observer

Irish junior Spencer Talmedge returns a shot during the Tom Fallon Invitational on Sept. 24. As a doubles team, Talmedge and senior Niall Fitzgerald advanced to the quarterfinals over break.

By WALKER CAREY
Sports Writer

The Irish successfully competed in the Midwest Singles/Doubles Championship in Columbus, Ohio over fall break, building on success the team has had throughout the season.

Senior Casey Watt advanced to the semifinals before falling to Ohio State’s Blaz Rolla, who was the eventual champion.

“[Watt] played his best tennis of the year,” Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said. “He showed a lot of improvement in many areas and it was also very encouraging to see him play even better as the tournament went on. Overall, I was very pleased.”

Seniors Niall Fitzgerald and Sam Keeton and sophomores Greg Andrews and Billy Pecor joined Watt in the round of 16. The five Irish players in the round of 16 were second most to Ohio State’s six.

“Whenever you can put es-

entially a third of the guys into the round of 16, you have to look at your team’s play as pretty strong,” Bayliss said. “I feel like we had some excellent performances especially when you consider the strong competition at the event.”

In addition to Watt, Fitzgerald also represented the Irish in the quarterfinals of the tournament.

“[Fitzgerald] had a breakthrough tournament for us,” Bayliss said. “He fought through some tough competition to play his way into the quarterfinals. It was great to see him put his play together for an entire tournament. His play definitely reached another level”

The Irish also saw their doubles teams of Watt and Andrews and Fitzgerald and junior Spencer Talmedge reach the quarterfinals.

“[Fitzgerald and Talmedge] probably had a chance to advance even further,” Bayliss said. “However, [Fitzgerald]

was battling a bit of a sore arm after playing four matches Saturday. He was able to play through it, but he probably was not at the top of his game.”

After the Midwest Championship, the Irish noticed holes in their game and can put their upcoming spring season into perspective.

“We can definitely continue our improvement in doubles,” Bayliss said. “We also need to start making decisions about who is going to be in the singles lineup for us in the spring. We have a strong nucleus of nine or 10 guys who can definitely play, so it will be interesting to see who will separate themselves.”

The Irish will complete the fall portion of their schedule when they compete in the Gopher Invitational at the University of Minnesota on Nov. 3-6.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles prepare to end streak against Adrian

By LAURA COLETTI
Sports Writer

The Belles are looking to snap a seven-game losing streak as they prepare to take on Adrian in their second to last game of the regular season.

Saint Mary’s (7-16, 5-9 MIAA) most recent loss came at the hands of No. 15-ranked Hope. The Flying Dutch (21-4, 12-1 MIAA) put a damper on the Belles’ last home match of the season and did not allow them to score more than 13 points in any of the three sets.

Hope also made history by setting a school three-set record for attack percentage, recording 42 kills on 71 attempts with just two errors for a .563 attack percentage.

Belles coach Toni Kuschel acknowledged Hope’s high skill level.

“Hope is a very tough, talented team,” she said. “We needed to win the serving and passing game if we wanted to compete with them, which we were not able to do Saturday.”

Kuschel said her team is not discouraged by their recent results, and they look forward to trying to end their season on a positive note.

“We have a chance to win the last two matches of our season,” she said. “We are looking forward to playing two good teams in our conference well and to the best of our ability.”

Adrian will be the first of those two teams. The Bulldogs (7-19, 4-9 MIAA) suffered a 3-0 loss to the Belles on Sept. 24. The Belles hope for a similar outcome this time around.

“We will need to play at the level we are capable of [in order to beat Adrian],” Kuschel said. “We will need to serve them aggressively and run our offense. Our hitters will need to do a good job of putting the ball away consistently.”

Kuschel said she is confident in her team’s resiliency.

“We need to bounce back from a very tough, competitive week of volleyball,” she said. “We are capable to play at a much higher level than we did this weekend.”

Saint Mary’s will have a chance to bounce back when it plays Adrian on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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SMC SOCCER

Saint Mary’s loses four MIAA games over break

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

The Belles dropped four straight games against conference opponents Alma, Adrian, Kalamazoo and Calvin over fall break.

“It was a tough week and the results didn’t go as well as we had hoped,” Belles coach Michael Joyce said. “I think our shortfall was our play in the boxes — both offensively and defensively.”

Saint Mary’s (8-9, 4-9) lost to Alma on Oct. 15 in a 2-1 decision. Alma put up 18 shots in the first half to the Belles’ two. Despite this shot differential, the Scots only managed one goal in the first half.

In the first five minutes of the second half, senior forward Katelyn Tondo-Steele had a header blocked by the Alma goalie. Not long after, the Scots scored their second goal.

Sophomore forward Kaitlin Teichman scored her first collegiate goal off a pass from Tondo-Steele to end the game.

“Against good teams that are probably going to be taking more shots than you, you really need to be sharp in back and make sure you don’t give up anything too easy,” Joyce said. “I think we fell short with that.”

Adrian then blanked the Belles 3-0 Tuesday. The teams were tied 0-0 until just before halftime when the Bulldogs converted a corner-kick into the first goal of the game. Ear-

ly in the second half, Adrian secured its second goal off a header. The third goal for the Bulldogs showed up in the last 20 minutes of play.

“We created some good opportunities and had some good looks at goal, but didn’t finish,” Joyce said.

Saint Mary’s suffered a 2-0 loss Thursday against Kalamazoo. Freshman goalkeeper Chanler Rosenbaum performed well in the first half and saved five shots in the first 11 minutes. In the last five minutes of the half, the Hornets were finally able to overcome the Belles’ defense in a long shot on goal, bringing the match to 1-0. The Hornets’ second goal came off of a converted corner kick partially through the second half.

On Saturday, Calvin took an early lead and secured two goals in the first 20 minutes of their 5-0 win over Saint Mary’s. The Belles were unable to stop the Knights’ defense in the second half, as the Knights scored three straight goals without opposition.

“It is a hit on the morale to lose a few in a row,” Joyce said. “Hopefully the sting of a few defeats will motivate the players as well. I think if we have the motivation, we’ll come out with two victories this week.”

The Belles will work to break their losing streak Wednesday at 4 p.m. when they play Albion at home.

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ND WOMEN’S GOLF

Notre Dame places 2nd at Hoosier Invitational

By JACK HEFFERON
Sports Writer

Though the Irish turned in their best team and individual finishes of the season, a second-place team finish trailing by only one-stroke left them disappointed after the Hoosier Fall Invitational at Crooked Stick Golf Club in Carmel, Ind. over the weekend.

Senior captain Becca Huffer took home the individual title by three strokes on the strength of a 71-stroke final round. The rainy final day also saw Notre Dame card three rounds in the 80s, however, which pushed Eastern Michigan to a one-stroke victory.

“I’m not very pleased,” Irish coach Susan Holt said. “We went down there looking for a win, then blew a four shot lead on the last day.”

The Irish were paced in the first two rounds by freshman Ashley Armstrong, who led all players with a two-over 146 heading into the final round. Armstrong’s second round score of 71 was the lowest of her collegiate career. Freshman Kelli Oride also contributed to Notre Dame’s youth movement, rallying from a first round 78 to shoot 73 and 74 over the second and third rounds.

“Ashley got off to a very good start for us, and Kelli [Oride] played very well, too,” Holt said. “We’re getting good individual

performances, but were lacking the consistency we need right now.”

Huffer’s performance was an especially bright spot for the Irish. She registered the first individual win of her career. Despite the rainy conditions, Huffer was on her game in the final round with a one-under finish.

Holt said the title couldn’t have gone to a more deserving player. “[Huffer] was leading a tournament last year at Georgia State, and somebody shot a 66 in the last round to beat her by a stroke, so it was nice to see her get the win,” Holt said. “Crooked Stick is a very challenging golf course. You have to keep your attention and focus, and she was able to do that.”

With just one tournament remaining on their fall schedule, Notre Dame will try to continue improving and hope to put together a complete team performance.

“In order to maximize our potential, we need to play to our abilities right now,” Holt said. “I know we have the talent, and that’s the most frustrating thing. We’re just looking for three solid rounds.”

The Irish will finish their fall campaign when they head to the Landfall Tradition in Wilmington, N.C. for a three-day tournament starting Friday.

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MEN’S GOLF

Scodro leads Irish at tourney

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

As the fall season winds down, building momentum and continuity for the spring season are paramount for Notre Dame. The Irish took a step toward that goal Oct. 17 and 18 at the Invitational at Kiawah Island at the Ocean Course in Kiawah Island, S.C. Notre Dame finished seventh in a 12-team field with a +29 mark, while Florida ran away with the tournament, finishing at -6.

“I don’t think our team played as well as they could have,” Irish coach Jim Kubinski said. “But the good news is that we’re right where we need to be NCAA-wise heading into the off-season. The fall has seen a lot of ups and downs for us, but I don’t think this tournament sets us back.”

As has been the story for much of the year, the Irish struggled to put together a complete team effort in South Carolina, the kind of effort Kubinski said is necessary to compete for championships.

“We can’t have just two or three guys shoot low rounds,” Kubinski said. “We need that consistency from everybody. I have a lot of confidence in our guys. They’re much too solid for it not to come together.”

Junior Max Scodro led the Irish in the individual stand-



Irish junior Max Scodro sets up a putt during the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic on Sept. 27 at the Warren Golf Course.

ings, and finished in a tie for seventh place with an even par three rounds. With the oftentimes frustrating inconsistencies of the Irish, Scodro has been the rock all year for Notre Dame.

“I think Max [Scodro] has finished near the top of every event we’ve played all season,” Kubinski said. “So it was no surprise to see him perform well at Kiawah.”

Junior Paul McNamara and sophomore Niall Platt finished 23rd and 27th respectively for the Irish.

The event yielded the tournament debut of sophomore Andrew Lane. The format of the invitational allowed for

a six-man field, and Kubinski inserted the sophomore to improve the team’s depth and give Lane playing experience.

“It was good for Lane to get some tournament action,” Kubinski said. “He would be the first to tell you that he can play better, but I think that goes for all of our team. We’re very confident in our starting five, but we’re always looking to develop our golfers.”

The Irish now turn to their last competition on the fall calendar, the Royal Oaks Intercollegiate in Dallas, which begins Oct. 31.

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Lee

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“That first play, T.J. and Bryan, they set that play up,” Lee said. “Once again my success tonight was based on my teammates. We all worked hard and we all played well tonight.”

RPI quickly answered the Irish, however, when Irish junior goaltender Mike Johnson lost sight of the puck behind his own goal and Engineer senior center Joel Malchuk wrapped the puck into the net at the 13:25 mark.

The first 20 minutes ended with the score knotted at one goal apiece and RPI holding a 7-6 advantage in shots. But the Irish took control in the second period.

Lee added his second goal of the game to put Notre Dame up 2-1 just 1:09 into the period with a simple wrist shot from the left faceoff circle that managed to elude Merriam. Tynan and Calabrese added assists on the play.

The Irish continued the attack throughout the period and ultimately pushed the margin to two with 5:23 remaining. Senior defenseman and co-captain Sean Lorenz released a shot from in between the top of the faceoff circles, just before getting checked, which sailed off the post and into the net. The Irish outshot the Engineers 14-2 in the middle stanza and entered the final 20 minutes up 3-1.

Irish coach Jeff Jackson said the increased noise in the new arena helped spur the Irish.

“I thought that the crowd helped motivate the guys when they started a little bit on a roll in the second period,” Jackson said. “I thought the crowd got into the game, and that to me is really the most important thing about this building — creating that environment that’s like college hockey. And that was like college hockey.”

In the third period, junior center Riley Sheahan scored a power play goal on a one-timer off a pass from senior right wing and co-captain Billy Maday at the 1:39 mark. Though RPI later



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Irish sophomore forward Anders Lee scores during Notre Dame’s 5-2 win over RPI on Friday at the Compton Family Ice Arena.

made the score 4-2, Lee iced the game with an empty-net goal with 1:20 remaining to secure his hat-trick.

Jackson was full of praise for Lee following the game, but gave himself a little bit of credit for the sophomore’s hat-trick, as well.

“[Lee’s] a horse,” Jackson said. “He’s hard to control. He’s such a big strong, power-forward type of kid and he competes hard. He seems to be pretty good at the empty-net at the end of the game, too. He’s got a few of those. He has to thank me for putting him on the ice in those situations.”

Johnson, who finished with 15 saves, also impressed Jackson.

“I thought [Johnson] looked real confident,” Jackson said. “If he just goes in and plays that way where he’s not thinking about it, he could be one of the top goalies in the country. And he played that way tonight,

I thought.”

Despite a number of helpful factors, including a boisterous crowd and strong play from Lee and Johnson, Jackson said simple puck possession was just as important to the outcome.

“I thought we were much better with the puck,” he said. “The only times we got in trouble were when we made bad plays with the puck. I thought we made good progress tonight, which is a starting point. We have to continue to get better at that, especially now that we’re on the road for four games. If we play loose with the puck we’re going to have real problems on the road.”

The Irish travel to Bowling Green to play the Falcons on Friday and Saturday. They will return home to compete in the Compton Family Ice Arena on Nov. 11 and 12 against Alaska.

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twice as much money as the Compton Family did. Calling it “the new barn” doesn’t even do the CFIA justice — it’s far too state-of-the-art for that.

And it’s not just pretty. It’s loud.

The environment on the southeast corner of campus was raucous Friday night and figures to be so far into the future. With 5,022 fans on their feet, a gorgeous video screen hanging over the ice, O’Brien’s Pub in the mezzanine level and a low ceiling trapping all the noise, the Irish finally have a true home-ice advantage. And when sophomore left wing phenom Anders Lee opened the scoring in the first period, the foghorn was deafening — yet the students were louder.

Sure, it may be so far away from the center of campus that I decided to drive down to the game, but the Compton Family Ice Arena is what college hockey is all about.

Yet that’s not why tickets are going to be at a premium all season long. As nice as the ice is, the product on the ice is even better.

The Irish are simply a dangerous team. Fast, physical and smart, they have loads of talent both on the blue line and up top. Even more importantly, Jeff Jackson’s squad knows how good it can be but still takes one game at a time. And while there may be loads of talent both on the ice and on the bench, Notre Dame has the more important quality of knowing how to grit out goals. Just look at the second-period goal senior captain Sean Lorenz scored. It wasn’t a pretty play, but Lorenz somehow managed to fire a shot into the

back of the net despite falling to the ground as he dug the puck out of his skates.

That’s not to say the Irish can’t play pretty. Lee’s first goal of his hat trick came on one of the most gorgeous plays imaginable. When Notre Dame can control the puck, it holds a death grip on the feel of the game. When Lee and fellow standout sophomore T.J. Tynan are clicking, they play well enough to warm even the unflappable Jackson’s heart. And when junior goaltender Mike Johnson stops thinking and just starts playing, he’s more than capable of reeling off impressive performances.

And let’s not forget the guy behind the bench.

Jackson has done an outstanding job coaching the absurdly talented sophomore class and has brought in another talented freshman class. He’s found talent and made it better — Lee has improved dramatically from his breakout campaign a year ago.

Jackson knows how to coach this team. He knows how to keep them focused despite the new surroundings and the high expectations, and he’s instilled a culture in which the Irish are never satisfied. They just continue to improve and get better. The team that takes the ice in February will be far better than the already-skilled squad that took the ice last week.

The architects of the new building should be complimented. Not only did they design a spectacular building, but they also did not forget the most important element: lots of room in the rafters.

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Hoyas

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Three Irish forwards combined for goals at Notre Dame’s shutout on Hoya turf. First, junior forward Danny O’Leary led the Irish scoring rally.

“It was an absolutely beautiful goal,” Irish coach Bobby Clark said.

The Hoyas outshot the Irish 18-16, but were not able to take their shot advantage past Irish senior goalkeeper Will Walsh.

“We played well,” Clark said. “It was a good game, and it was much closer than the score suggests.”

Junior forward Ryan Finley and senior forward Michael Rose each added a goal before the end of the game.

“It was nice that some goals fell in for us during that game,” Clark said. “Before, at Marquette, that just wasn’t happening for us, so it was nice to see that change during the Georgetown game. It was overall a good performance.”

Finley’s goal was his fifth of the season and secured his position as the team-leading goal scorer.

“There are a lot more goals to come from Ryan, quite a few more from him,” Clark said. “I wouldn’t be surprised if he doubled the number of goals he has before the end of the season. He’s a predator, and he looks to score goals. He’s been unlucky that he doesn’t have more.”

The win against Georgetown marked the first time that the Hoyas lost by a margin of two

or more goals.

The Irish continued their Big East success at Pittsburgh on Saturday, where sophomore forward Harry Shipp’s two goals — and almost a third — led Notre Dame to another win.

“Though [Shipp] was only credited with two goals, I think he really scored three,” Clark said.

Notre Dame’s first goal came with the help of a Pittsburgh defender who tapped a shot of Shipp’s into their own goal. The credit officially went to the team on the first point.

Shipp sent one past the Panther goalkeeper in the 33rd minute for a 2-0 lead into the half. He responded again 2:14 into the second half and the Irish carried their advantage through the rest of the game.

“We completed passes. We created chances. The team looked very good,” Clark said.

Notre Dame outshot Pittsburgh 15-1 in the first 45 minutes of play, then again dominated the Panthers nine shots to six in the second half.

“It was a very good performance, especially in the first half,” Clark said. “We played well in the second half too, but to outscore a team 15-1 on their ground was very decisive. We demonstrated our superiority.”

The Irish will travel to play Providence on Oct. 26, then play West Virginia at home Oct. 29 before they meet Seton Hall for their last home game of the regular season Oct. 31.

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large role in the Irish slugging an impressive .326 in the match. Freshman Jeni Houser contributed 10 kills, and sophomore Andrea McHugh chipped in with nine.

Brown attributed the success to a tactical change made before the match.

“We moved [junior Hilary Eppink] from the middle to the right side and went with a 6-2 formation,” Brown said. “We thought it gave us a chance to have four hitters up front and more effective blocking. I’m happy with how it worked, and it gives us another wrinkle to throw in when we need it.”

The Irish then traveled to Hawaii to take on the No. 8 Rainbow Wahine in a pair of matches. Despite breaking Hawaii’s streak of 17 straight sets won at home, the Irish fell in both contests, 3-0 (5-18, 25-23, 25-17), and 3-1 (25-15, 25-18, 22-25, 25-21).

Despite the losses, Brown said her team’s level of play improved consistently in the Aloha State.

“We went to Hawaii to win,” Brown said. “We always do, so in that sense we were disappointed. But overall, I feel that



SARAH O’CONNOR/The Observer

Irish senior outside hitter Kristen Dealy spikes the ball during Notre Dame’s 3-1 loss to Louisville on Oct. 2 at Purcell Pavilion.

we are getting to where we need to be. We switched back to our normal set after the first match, and that’s definitely where we want to be most of the time.”

Finally, on Sunday the Irish took on USF at home decked out in pink uniforms for their “Dig Pink” match to raise money and awareness for the fight against breast cancer. Led by senior captains Kristen Dealy and Frenchy Silva, whose 20 and 17 digs respectively contributed to the 62 total digs for the team on the day, the Irish defense held the Bulls (9-12, 5-3 Big East) to a .107 hitting percentage on the

way to a 3-0 (25-23, 25-17, 25-19) Irish victory.

“We actually didn’t substitute at all against South Florida,” Brown said. “We ran with the same people all the way through. It was a good to get a victory. We took care of what we needed to in-conference, so I’m pretty satisfied with our performance over the academic break.”

The Irish return to the court Oct. 29 against Connecticut in Storrs, Conn.

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JODI LO/The Observer
Irish senior defender Jessica Schuveiler dribbles during Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Villanova on Oct. 16 at Alumni Stadium.

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of the best players to ever wear an Irish jersey."

Irish senior midfielder Brynn Gerstle recorded her second goal of the season midway through the second half. Four different Irish players were credited with assists in the game, including senior defenders Jessica Schuveiler and Molly Campbell.

DePaul freshman forward Rachel Pitman's goal with 40 seconds remaining prevented the Irish from recording their sixth shutout of the season.

Irish junior goalkeeper Maddie Fox did not allow a goal, while collecting two saves on the day. Freshman goalkeeper Jennifer Jasper replaced Fox and made her collegiate debut late in the second half. Jasper allowed one goal and picked up two saves.

"It was obviously a lot of fun. We've historically been really good on senior night," Waldrum said. "I was happy we could send them out the right way. We played a solid game all the way through. The second half explosion of goals allowed us to get some kids some rest and get all the seniors on, even a few who haven't played as much."

Waldrum said he was impressed by the number of fans

that came to support the Irish.

"The way the underclassmen gave [the seniors] gifts before the game, and even though the students weren't here, we still had close to 1,500 people," he said. "I couldn't have scripted it better."

Notre Dame's win against Villanova secured a first-round bye for the Irish in the Big East tournament. The Irish are set to face No. 17 Marquette in the quarterfinals. The Golden Eagles (17-2, 10-1 Big East) defeated the Irish in overtime by a score of 3-2 on Sept. 25.

Waldrum said the team has a chip on its shoulder from their match a month ago.

"It's a game we think we gave away all three goals. I don't want to take away anything from Marquette

because they have a very good program, but we don't feel they earned those three goals," Waldrum said.

"Our kids are really looking forward to going to Marquette for a chance to redeem themselves. Marquette's a tough place to play. It should be good quarterfinals for both [schools], and we're really looking forward to it."

The Irish return to action Sunday at Marquette at a time to be determined in the Big East Quarterfinals.

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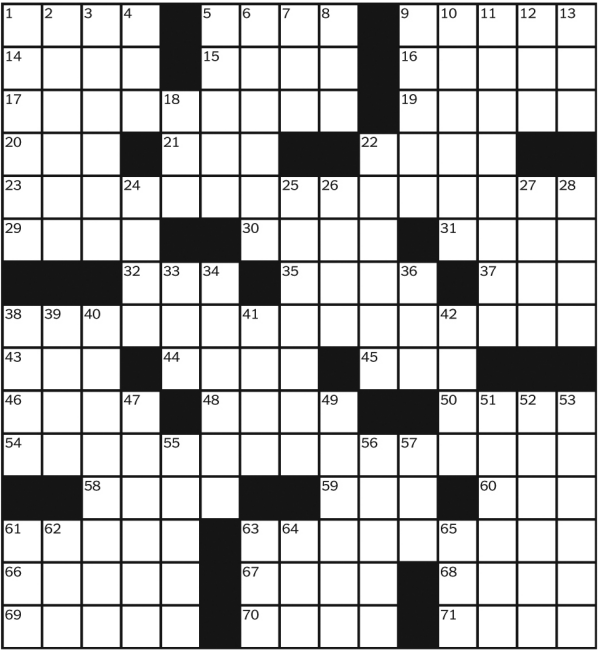
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Ask questions and find out the facts before you make a personal or financial decision. An impulsive move may solve one problem, but it's sure to cause another. You are better off getting as far away from an unsavory situation as possible. ★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Follow your heart and you will find a way to cut corners and get ahead. Don't remain idle when an opportunity is within reach. You will end up in a better position if you put more thought and effort into the way you use your experience and skills. ★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Consider what's important and necessary to be successful. Don't let laziness or the obstacles in your way be your excuse. Face competition or challenges head-on. Win or lose, what counts is how you play the game. ★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't let anyone put you down. Your reputation must be kept intact. Ask for a favor if it will ensure that you will be able to reach your goals. Speak from the heart and avoid misconceptions that might give the wrong impression. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do your best to avoid an unsavory situation. Diplomacy will be required. Keep yourself busy with projects that interest you or by picking up knowledge that will help further your goals. Make sure you know what's expected of you. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Caution will be required, but so will speed, flexibility and the determination to finish what you start. The more you do and the further you travel mentally and physically, the better off you'll be. Greater negotiating power will result in higher cash returns. ★★

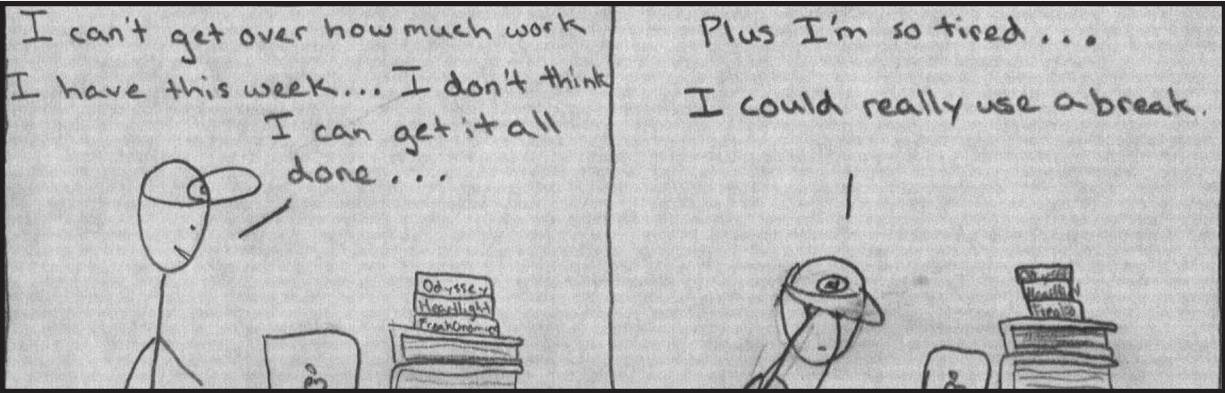
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HOCKEY

Housewarming party

Irish open new arena with resounding win

By SAM GANS
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's debut in the brand-new Compton Family Ice Arena was rocking — both in the crowd and on the ice — as the Irish earned a 5-2 victory over RPI in the first game played at the state-of-the-art facility, with sophomore forward Anders Lee notching a hat-trick in the process.

The sellout crowd of 5,022 — the largest number of people to ever watch a hockey game at Notre Dame — was lively before the contest even began. The Irish (3-2-0) sent the arena into pandemonium early against the Engineers (1-4-0) as Lee scored the first goal in the new building 9:21 into the game.

The play was set up when junior defenseman Sam Calabrese corralled the puck near the blue line and sent it low down the boards. Following two impressive passes by fellow sophomore forwards T.J. Tynan and Bryan Rust, Lee found himself alone with the puck at the top of the crease and easily slotted it past RPI junior goaltender Bryce Merriam.

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Irish sophomore defenseman Stephen Johns checks an RPI player during Notre Dame's 5-2 win over the Engineers on Friday, the first game played at the new Compton Family Ice Arena.

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And boy, is it beautiful.

Notre Dame hasn't just caught up to everyone else; the CFIA has blown away nearly every other arena in college hockey. Only North Dakota's 11,640-seat Ralph Engelstad Arena is in the same league — and Engelstad spent more than



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Sports Editor

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MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame earns two Big East wins over break

By MOLLY SAMMON
Sports Writer

Two big in-conference wins against Georgetown and Pittsburgh over the past two weeks boosted No. 15 Notre Dame's confidence just a week shy of the Big East Tournament.

After previously dropping four spots in the polls from an Oct. 12 loss against Marquette,

the Irish blanked the No. 20 Hoyas 3-0 in Washington D.C. on Oct. 15 and beat the Panthers 3-1 at Pittsburgh on Saturday for a chance to climb back up national ranks.

The Irish were scheduled to play Seton Hall at Notre Dame over fall break, but the game was postponed due to weather.

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish defeat DePaul in finale

By MEGAN GOLDEN
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The Irish finished the regular season in record-setting fashion against DePaul on Friday's senior night and defeated the Blue Demons 5-1 at Alumni Stadium.

Notre Dame (9-6-3, 6-3-2 Big East) completed its three-game home stand with a 2-1 record, ending the regular season with two consecutive wins. The Irish fell to Georgetown (14-5, 8-3 Big East) 3-2 on Oct. 14 and defeated Villanova (8-9-2, 4-7 Big East) 3-1 on Oct. 16.

Irish senior forward Melissa Henderson set or tied seven school records Friday against the Blue Demons (3-14-1, 0-9-1 Big East), when she scored four of the team's five goals. Henderson's sixth career hat trick tied the school record, and her third hat trick of the season equaled another high in the record books.

Henderson put the Irish on the board at the 12:12 mark, but that would be Notre Dame's lone first-half goal. The Irish were in control of a 1-0 lead over the Blue Demons at half-time.

Henderson could not be stopped in what might have been her final game at Alumni Stadium. She had all 1,309 fans on their feet when she netted two goals just 58 seconds apart from each other. Her



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Irish senior forward Melissa Henderson handles the ball during Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Villanova on Oct. 16.

final goal of the night — and 17th goal of the season — came with just over eight minutes remaining in the game.

Irish coach Randy Waldrum could not help but laugh when asked about Henderson's performance.

"I didn't realize [Henderson] had broken so many [records]. I [can't] put into words how im-

portant she's been for our program over the past four years," Waldrum said. "I was very happy for her; her mom and brother were here and so many friends. We got all eight [seniors] on the field one last time at home. Henderson is clearly going to go down as one

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ND VOLLEYBALL

ND picks up conference wins, loses to Hawaii

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The Irish stayed busy over fall break with four matches, notching Big East wins over DePaul and USF, but dropping a pair of non-conference matches to Hawaii. The wins push the Irish (12-8, 5-3 Big East) into a tie with Syracuse and USF for fifth place in the Big East.

"Overall I was pretty pleased

with how our matches went over the break," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "I thought we got two strong victories, and we're really raising our level of play."

Led by freshman Toni Alugbue and her 16 kills, the Irish dispatched DePaul (4-16, 1-6 Big East) on the road 3-1 (25-13, 23-25, 25-20, 25-11). Alugbue's .448 hitting percentage played a

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