

Candidates square off in debate

Six tickets for student body president, vice president share ideas Monday night

By KATIE McCARTY
News Writer

In anticipation for Wednesday's election, candidates for student body president and vice president gathered in LaFortune Student Center last night to debate the issues and promote their platforms.

In contrast to last year, in which only one ticket ran, six tickets are running this year. The candidates' platform objectives range from getting student government technologically up-to-date to fostering a greater relationship with the South Bend community.

A common thread uniting most of the platforms was the

improvement of communication between student government and the student body. Several candidates advocated online forums, meetings with students, or town-hall meetings to better hear what students want from their government.

"Communication is our core issue," presidential candidate Dominic Romeo said. "There is a communication gap between the government and students, and we would like to change that."

Romeo and his running mate Phillip Hootsmans, both juniors, have focused their campaign on equality and inclusion on

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MACKENZIE SAIN | The Observer

Juniors Nancy Joyce and Alex Coccia speak at Tuesday's student government debates in the LaFortune Student Center.

Hockey player arrested Monday

Observer Staff Report

The South Bend Tribune reported that police arrested a Notre Dame hockey player early Monday morning when he allegedly attacked a female manager at Brothers Bar and Grill.

Jared Beers, 22, of Mishawaka, reportedly

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Student teaches yoga sculpt class at SMC

By JILLIAN BARWICK
Saint Mary's Editor

While yoga is commonly known as a relaxing type of exercise, one Saint Mary's sophomore is bringing a more intense, cardio-based form of yoga to the College campus.

Sophomore Grace Harvey

brought her love of yoga sculpt to South Bend and now teaches two classes each week to other students.

"Yoga sculpt is intended to tone and sculpt the major muscle groups," Harvey said. "With the use of weights, it allows you to get deeper into poses and have an added

challenge. There are also a couple of cardio series to get the heart rate up and burn more. It is an intense hour-long class, but very easy to follow."

Harvey first tried yoga sculpt during her sophomore year of high school and was instantly hooked on the

workout.

"I loved everything about it — the people, music, and an awesome workout," she said. "I continued to do sculpt for the rest of high school and when I came to college I missed it so much. So, over this past summer I got certified through CorePower Yoga

in Minnesota to be able to teach. I have insurance [for it] as well."

Yoga sculpt, which is typically practiced in a heated room of about 90 degrees, improves the flexibility and strength of those who train

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Alumnae produce films

By KRISTEN DURBIN
News Editor

When sisters Gita and Kavita Pullapilly graduated from Notre Dame with degrees in finance, their



Photo courtesy of Gita Pullapilly

Gita Pullapilly, a 1999 alumna of Notre Dame, serves as the executive producer of the upcoming public television program, "Lifecasters."

immediate post-graduation plans didn't include producing award-winning films.

"I ended up getting a job in finance ... but just really felt like that maybe wasn't where I was

supposed to be," Gita, a 1999 alumna, said. "I found that journalism was an avenue to what I really ended up wanting to do, which was storytelling in a medium that was visual in particular."

Gita's educational journey from Notre Dame to Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism ultimately paved the path to her current job as executive producer of the forthcoming public television program "Lifecasters," which will have its world premiere Wednesday at New York's Lincoln Center.

Gita said the project, produced by her personal production company, Sunny Side Up Films, aims to "inspire and engage the country" through three short films by

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Study finds Church is 'less generous'

By MEG HANDELMAN
News Writer

A recent study published by Notre Dame professors Brian Starks and Christian Smith found Catholics to be less generous givers than other Christians. Smith said the Catholic Church in the United States has great potential to accomplish good in the Church and in the world, but is often hampered by a lack of funds.

Starks, director of Notre Dame's Catholic Social and Pastoral Research Initiative (CSPRI), and Smith, co-founder of the initiative, came up with the idea for the study together, Starks said.

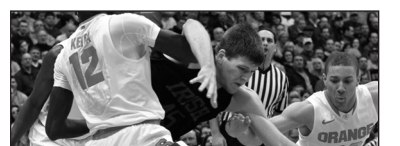
"We knew from the larger body

of social science research that Catholics giving to the Church, measured as a percentage of income donated, had been in decline for decades," Starks said.

The study looked specifically at whether respondents "regularly donate at least 10 percent of their income to religious, charitable, or other good causes," and whether they donated to "solely religious causes" in the past twelve months, Starks said.

John Cavadini, director of the Institute for Church Life, and Smith, who is also director of the Center for the Study of Religion and Society, collaborated to form

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What song annoys you the most?



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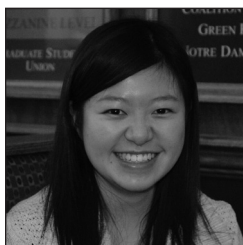
“‘Invited’ by Ziona. It’s really weird. Look it up.”



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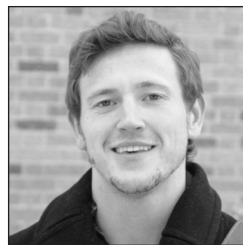
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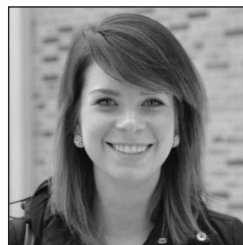
“Gangnam Style.”



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“Call Me Maybe.”



Sara Ren

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“That Madonna song that Peter Griffin dances to after he drinks Red Bull.”



Michael Russell

sophomore

“‘Lights’ by Ellie Goulding.”



BRIDGET LONG | The Observer

First-year graduate student Andy Jennings practices piano in Crowley Hall for an upcoming recital. Jennings is studying to receive his Master's degree in Sacred Music. The Master's program in Sacred Music blends the fields of theology, music and more to teach its programs in voice, organ and choral conducting.

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Tuesday

Engineering Seminar

Geddes Hall

3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Seminar by Dr. Filippo

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Four:7 Catholic Fellowship

Cavanaugh Hall

8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Student-led Catholic fellowship group.

Wednesday

Workshop: Interview Dos and Don'ts

114 Flanner Hall

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Interviewing tips and

tricks from Ann Moran.

Meet the Baseball Team Dinner

Joyce Center

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Autographs session and dinner.

Thursday

Zen Meditation

Coleman-Morse Center

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Practice sitting and walking meditation.

Film screening: “American Meat”

DeBartolo Hall

7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Presented by the Office of Sustainability.

Friday

Basilica Mass

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

5:15 p.m.

Led by Bishop Kevin Rhoades.

Men's Hockey

Compton Family Ice

Arena

7:35 p.m.

The Irish face Michigan.

Saturday

Vigil Mass

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

5 p.m - 6 p.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist.

Men's Basketball

Joyce Center

9 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Notre Dame takes on Louisville.

SDB hosts week to increase disability awareness

By BRIDGET FEENEY
Associate Saint Mary's Editor

In an effort to increase knowledge about mental and learning disabilities, the Student Diversity Board (SDB) is hosting a week dedicated to raising awareness around the Saint Mary's campus among students, faculty and staff.

Disabilities Awareness Week, which continues today and ends Friday, is an annual event SDB organizes in order to encourage students to educate themselves about disabilities.

Senior Maggie Galvin, SDB president, said the week is especially important to highlight students at Saint Mary's who experience different types of

disabilities.

"Student Diversity Board hosts Disabilities Awareness Week to shed light on the various disabilities on Saint Mary's campus," she said. "So many girls are living with unseen disabilities and struggling with them every day — from learning disabilities to mental disabilities."

According to Galvin, another goal of the week is to prevent the formation of stereotypes and judgments. She said people need to understand that having a disability is something people of all types and backgrounds experience.

"Student Diversity Board would like to show that disabilities, whether they can

be seen or not, should not be ignored and more prevalent than one may think," she said. "We started to fulfill this goal last year

with our posters of celebrities and their disabilities, which will continue with this year's week."

Rhonda Tomenko, a

communicative disorders professor at the College, will conduct hearing screenings today from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Student Center atrium as part of Disabilities Awareness Week.

"Hearing screens are administered to children because of school rules, but as we age we do not receive them anymore unless one notices a problem with their hearing," Galvin said. "With how loudly we listen to our music in our ear buds, it is very important to know if you have any sort of hearing loss."

On Wednesday, SDB will show a movie from 8 to 10 p.m. in Vander Vennet Theater in the basement of the Student Center. Galvin said the movie choice has not been determined yet but will either be "Aphasia" or "Tru Confessions." "Tru Confessions" is a Disney Channel movie about a girl who makes a documentary about her brother who has a developmental disability that causes him to act like a child," Galvin said. "Aphasia" is a documentary about one father's struggle to relearn how to speak after he has a stroke."

On Thursday, the board will hang posters around campus that showcase different celebrities with learning and mood disabilities.

"I love walking around campus and seeing girls reading the posters of celebrities and saying 'Oh! Steve Jobs was dyslexic?'" she said. "It really sinks in that anyone can be living with a disability and you would never know."

Galvin said Disabilities Awareness Week is an important asset to the Saint Mary's community and students have a lot to learn.

"Students should attend the events for Disabilities Awareness Week because they are engaging as well as educational."

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DISABILITY WEEK

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Yoga

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with it, Harvey said.

"Instead of the stereotypical yoga practice, this is very upbeat and high energy," she said. "With the use of weights and various Pilates moves, it makes sculpt attractive for the younger crowd. I always describe it to friends who haven't done it as a Pilates [or] cardio class with yoga moves."

In addition to the great workout, Harvey said she enjoys being part of the yoga sculpt community.

"It is truly a bonding experience as we all go through the hard workout together," she said. "I think with all of the craziness in our college lives it is awesome when we can take an hour break to completely unwind, have fun together and get a good workout."

Harvey began teaching the workouts to her roommate in their dorm rooms last fall.

"Well dorm rooms are small, so I decided to expand it and make a Facebook group of girls who I thought would be interested," Harvey said. "I in-

"I think with all of the craziness in our college lives it is awesome when we can take an hour break to completely unwind, have fun together and get a good workout."

Grace Harvey
sophomore

cluded friends I went to high school with and are familiar with sculpt. I am working on trying to make a yoga club at Saint Mary's so we can be official and reserve space when I teach classes."

Harvey said she was initially surprised at the amount of feedback she received from students about yoga sculpt classes on campus.

"I am in absolute shock over how fast sculpt has spread over both campuses," Harvey said. "There is a clear demand for another good workout class. My first class, I had about 20 people or so. Now my classes are between 25 to 30 people. The more, the merrier."

The feedback was so immense that Harvey added an additional class per week to her original one. She teaches yoga sculpt at noon on Fridays in the Angela Athletic Facility, and sometimes on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday nights.

For more information about Harvey's yoga sculpt sessions, follow @SMCSculpt on Twitter.

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Study

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CSPRI in 2011 at Notre Dame, Sparks said. He said the group strives to use social science as a tool to challenge and strengthen the Catholic Church.

"We knew that resource issues are an especially important concern for parishes and dioceses in their efforts toward faith formation, staff development, pastoral planning, etcetera," Starks said. "So, we decided this study was especially appropriate for CSPRI."

Starks said when comparing Catholics to other Christians, he and Smith mainly focused on evangelical and mainline Protestants, who represented the groups with the largest number of respondents in their sample.

The study uncovered that Catholics are, on average, less generous in voluntary financial giving than other Christian groups in the United States, Starks said. The median reported annual

donation to the Church was only \$175 for Catholics who gave, as compared to \$588 for non-Catholic givers, he said.

Starks said it is important to understand what are not key reasons for Catholics being less generous.

"It is not because they have less money to give — Catholics in our sample are slightly above the national average in terms of income," Starks said. "Second, it is not because Catholics attend church less."

Instead, Starks credits a "lack of spiritual engagement with money" when explaining the lesser giving of Catholics. Without this engagement, Catholics tend to regard their use of money and material possessions as separate from matters of faith and spiritual life, he said.

Based on their belief that increasing the spiritual engagement with money will increase donations, Starks said he and Smith explored different approaches to allow Catholic pastors and others

to begin the discussion about money within their parishes.

"We found that discussions of money in Catholic parishes should not center on meeting basic organizational needs, but rather on spiritual growth and personal world transformation," Starks said. "Parish culture should help Catholics reflect on the dangers of compartmentalizing their financial dealings from their life of faith."

To that end, Starks said he and Smith recommend priests give homilies that discuss money while focusing on developing compassion or empathy and challenging materialistic values, which could then help Catholics to recognize the tie between their spiritual life and how they use their money and material possessions.

Starks said if members of the Church are reminded that their donations represent something more than just helping fund the church, Starks and Smith believe giving will increase.

"Most important of all, however, seems to be fostering parish cultures in which the use of money is not seen as a mere secular or profane matter, but, as the Bible teaches, a spiritual concern that God cares about, that shapes one's personal spiritual life profoundly, and that can genuinely help transform the world along Christian values and purposes," Starks said.

The study helped to make clear the sociological reasoning behind the lesser generosity of Catholics, as well as uncover practical ways to increase giving, the researchers said. Starks and Smith said if Catholics can increase their giving, the Church will be able to succeed in thriving to their most prosperous state.

"American Catholics learning to become much more financially generous would be truly revolutionary," Smith said.

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Lifecasters

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award-winning filmmakers that showcase the stories of three “amazing artists who came from different backgrounds to achieve their goals and dreams.”

“[The subjects] all had to face these enormous challenges ... but took interesting routes to be able to achieve their goals ... and that to us was really exciting,” Gita said. “We kind of want to champion people who did these different things who have yet to be recognized for it at the national scale.”

The success of Sunny Side Up’s last film, the Emmy-nominated documentary “The Way We Get By,” placed the production company on the radar of filmmakers across the country, Gita said, and that public exposure opened doors for working with well-known directors and producers on “Lifecasters,” including “Anchorman” director Adam McKay, producer Shira Piven and Oscar-nominated documentary filmmakers Steven Bognar and Julia Reichert.

“Coming out of the gate with this project, we really wanted the best of the best filmmakers so they could set the model for what we kind of stand by,” Gita said.

In the case of McKay, who has a strong background in comedy as the creator of the humor site Funny or Die, Gita said “Lifecasters” represented a unique filmmaking opportunity that allowed him to explore the story of musician and former prisoner Wayne Kramer in “The Beast and the Angel.”

“We loved the idea of giving [McKay] a creative platform to do

something that wasn’t comedy but something that was very personal for [him],” she said.

To round out the “Lifecasters” lineup, Bognar and Reichert profiled one of the oldest female professional dancers in the country in “Sparkle,” and Gita and her husband, Aron Gaudet, produced “The Gambling Man,” which tells the story of an 80-year-old retired doctor who composed an award-winning symphony.

Although the project took two years of hard work, Gita said the end result of “Lifecasters” made all the time and effort worthwhile.

“For us as storytellers, our job is to engage and entertain an audience, so we’re very excited to have ... these artists share their stories,” Gita said. “We hope we can become a voice for people across the country to find ways to accomplish their goals.”

That aspiration to inspire audiences comes from a lifelong desire to use knowledge and talents to promote a worthy cause, Gita said.

“When we were at Notre Dame, both Kavita and I would try to figure out how as Domers we could give back ... and we’re so fortunate and so proud that from our education we were able to develop a voice and storytelling techniques ... and that we were able to hone our skills at Notre Dame.”

Kavita said her experiences in both finance and filmmaking have demonstrated the value of a Notre Dame education in the real world.

“It’s great that Notre Dame gave us the opportunity to explore and really develop our skills but allowed us the well-rounded education to really explore what we wanted to do in life,” Kavita said. “It speaks a lot to the

Notre Dame experience that it goes beyond what our majors were and really [helps] us become amazing, contributing individuals.”

Although her sister and brother-in-law take creative direction of the Sunny Side Up’s endeavors, Kavita said she appreciates their work from the unique perspective as a producer and the company’s chief operating officer.

“I’ve always been kind of behind the scenes ... but I loved the process of thinking and creating from an idea and developing it into an artistic endeavor that really engages people, their minds, their imaginations, their feelings,” Kavita said. “I started working with Gita and Aron full-time in August 2011, and I’ve been loving it ever since.” Even though they ended up choosing different career paths than initially intended, both Pullapilly sisters still use the fundamental business knowledge they acquired as Notre Dame undergraduates in operating their production company.

“The business side is critical through the entire process of the concept to finishing the film to getting it out into the world. Every aspect of what needs to happen has a huge business component behind it,” Gita said. “Our film company is committed to finding creative avenues to make the films we want to make and get them out as economically viable as possible.”

“Lifecasters” will premiere nationally Feb. 7 on PBS. The second major project from Sunny Side Up Films, a feature film titled “Blue Potato,” will be released later this year.

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Debate

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campus. They want to create a welcoming atmosphere on campus, whether someone is a minority, international or a member of the LGBTQ community.

Sophomore running mates Bill Christy and Patrick Roemer advocated greater communication in the dorms, as well as reform of Du Lac and the Office of Residence Life and Housing in various areas.

“We want to have a two-on-two meeting with every dorm’s

“We believe student life is not limited to campus. We want to create a council to work directly with the mayor to clarify what students expect from South Bend. Students should be able to express themselves off-campus.”

Austin O’Brien
freshman
presidential candidate

president and vice president every two months to address each dorm’s different needs,” Christy said. “We also plan to attend hall council meetings across campus.”

Juniors Alex Coccia and Nancy Joyce have built their platform upon student advocacy. They plan on creating a monthly town hall forum where students and administrators can converse about important issues across campus.

“We want to submit several issues to The Observer every month, and students can text in a vote about what issue they would like to see addressed in the town hall meeting,” Coccia said.

Arrest

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hit the manager when she asked him to leave the bar late Sunday night. He is a junior defenseman, according to the team roster.

The Tribune reported Beers was booked at the St. Joseph County Jail on suspicion of battery, trespass, resisting law enforcement, disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

According to the Tribune report, the bar manager told South Bend police that she had asked Beers to leave when he tried to take beer from the tables of other patrons at the Eddy Street Bar. Beers refused to leave, she told officers, and he punched her in the face.

Beers allegedly then stepped on her head, face and neck when she fell to the ground, and then

Included in the platform of junior Michael Masi and sophomore Timothy Scanlan is a social justice form, which would link Notre Dame students to administrators and student from other universities to promote social justice. Masi and Scanlan also want to create a mobile app for smartphones.

“The mobile app will be all-encompassing,” Masi said. “It will include residence life and housing, meal plans, and other things relevant to a Notre Dame student.”

The platform of freshmen Austin O’Brien and Nick Boggess is centered upon improving Notre Dame’s relationship with South Bend, as well as making South Bend more a college town.

“We believe student life is not limited to campus,” O’Brien said. “We want to create a council to work directly with the mayor to clarify what students expect from South Bend. Students should be able to express themselves off-campus.”

Conveying the common sentiment of the night’s debate, Coccia said the key to improving student government’s efficacy is to close the gap between the representatives and the represented.

“It’s all about bringing student government down from the second floor of LaFortune and engaging students,” Coccia said.

The one ticket not to focus on enhancing communication, Zahm freshmen Kevin Salat and Paul Mascarenhas are more focused on bridging the physical gap between Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s.

“We advocate improving the Stadium so that Notre Dame will make approximately \$2 to \$3 million more per home game,” Salat said. “This money would go towards building a monorail from Saint Mary’s directly to Zahm on Friday and Saturday nights.”

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Brotherly contest



Cory Bernard
Sports Writer

All in all, there wasn't too much about the Super Bowl to cause complaint. The game itself ended up being a great contest. Ad lovers delighted in humorous and heart-wrenching commercials. Beyoncé proved during her halftime show she is still the reigning queen of show business. Yet, there will always be critics.

These sourpusses might point out the lopsided halftime score or Ms. Knowles' possibly lip-synced performance. But the most ridiculous grievance I have seen is the one leveled at the Harbaughs' post-game greeting.

Many thought the brothers would show more affection when they met on the field after the game. In fact, many of these same people bet on the duration of said meeting. One day before the Super Bowl, the Huffington Post reported the question, "how long will the postgame hug between the Harbaugh brothers last?" was a legitimate proposition bet for potential gamblers in Nevada. As it turns out, the over/under was 7.5 seconds.

I have no problem with betting on bizarre outcomes. If I want to spend money betting that Alicia Keys will mess up at least two words while singing the national anthem, or that only one member of the Ravens' active roster will be arrested prior to kickoff (yes, these were all legitimate options), then so be it. I do have a problem, however, with the bettors' belief in brotherly love, especially between the Harbaughs. The general public's expectation of such affection is way off base.

John and Jim Harbaugh are two brothers who were born 15 months apart, who grew up playing football and who possess jaw lines strong enough to make Bruce Willis seem soft. The fact that they exchanged a four-second congratulatory handshake after competing for the biggest prize in American professional sports should come as enough of a surprise. My brother and I were born a full three years apart and possess neither the intensity nor the athleticism of the Harbaughs, but we still waged some of the fiercest backyard battles. Can you imagine a brotherly contest between the Harbaughs? I'm sure they were not games befitting postgame congratulations from the loser.

I know, the brothers are mature adults, and surely they know how to control their competitive fire. But remember, this is the same Jim Harbaugh who found himself embroiled in a post-game brouhaha with Lions coach Jim Schwartz last year.

Rather than bemoaning the Harbaughs' lack of postgame love, we should instead be content with Jack and Jackie Harbaugh's attendance. Their presence likely kept John and Jim on their best behavior.

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The GreenMan

Ask the GreenMan

It's 1:43 . . . about six minutes and 42 seconds are all that stand between you and an angry physics professor . . . and you haven't eaten. Your only options seem to be to starve or fail the physics lab. Luckily, you remember Grab 'n Go and you go on to enjoy a PB&J while excelling in advanced astrophysics.

Grab 'n Go offers students a fantastic service. You're busy, the University gets that, so they make available this awesome food option. Unfortunately, I, your green reality check, am here to tell you that you're taking advantage of their hospitality. I'm talking to you, Mr. ham-sandwich-sitting-on-your-futon. Grab 'n Go is for students in a rush, not to replace the dining halls.

As MGMT says, "Control yourself, take only what you neeeeeeed." Seven points might not feel like enough when you're back from a 2 p.m. exam and need comfort food, but it's actually a lot of food. If you're just hungry for a sandwich, don't feel like you have to get two. It's never fun to find a 14-day-old banana hidden in a bag on your desk. Monkeys everywhere will mourn its loss.

On an average day, 1,400 students

use Grab 'n Go, and my good friends at the California Energy Commission tell me that one tree can produce up to 700 paper bags. That means, if every student going through Grab 'n Go put their food in a paper bag, we would consume two trees every day! Imagine a world in which everyone put their food directly in their backpack. Not only does this world liberate hands everywhere from the oppression of paper bags, but it's also a world in which we save over 300 trees a year.

Bags aren't the only waste associated with Grab 'n Go. Grab 'n Go has to package everything separately, and this makes it more difficult to minimize your footprint. Dumping an unpackaged PB&J in your book bag is a bad idea. We're talking "Jack and Jill" starring Adam Sandler and Adam Sandler bad. Personally, I do my best by getting a banana instead of chips. This might seem like a sacrifice to the Triple Cheese Vintners lovers out there, but I like to think of it as an upgrade. Plus, bananas fit so conveniently in the hand.

The final step to minimize your G&G footprint is to minimize your use of it. Think about your local license bureau. I know you don't make casual trips there just to hang out. No, you avoid it like the plague unless it's your 16th or 21st birthday!

The University doesn't want you grabbing 'n going every day either. According to Marc Poklinkowski, general manager of South Dining Hall, "students having meals together in the dining hall is an important part of their experience at Notre Dame."

Grab 'n Go has always been viewed as an alternative for students to use when necessary, not as a meal replacement." So go be social! Only two percent of students Grab 'n Go for dinner. So, if you decide to skip out on the dining hall, chances are you're going to miss out on that cute guy or gal that always eats at 5:43. Who knows? You might even find me in the dining hall, especially on eggplant parmesan days, unless, of course, it's a sunny day and I can photosynthesize.

Greenly,
The GreenMan

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is by universal misunderstanding that all agree. For if, by ill luck, people understand each other, they would never agree."

Charles Baudelaire
French poet

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An argument against amnesty

Shaaya Ellis
Reason Will Prevail

Last week a bipartisan group of United States senators unveiled an outline suggesting ways to fix our countries illegal immigration problem.

Sen. Chuck Schumer, who leads this crusade, said: “This plan introduces a tough but fair path to citizenship for illegal immigrants currently living in the United States that is contingent upon securing our borders, reforms our current immigration system that will better recognize the importance of characteristics that will help build the American economy and strengthen American families, establishes an effective employment verification system that will prevent identity theft and end the hiring of future unauthorized workers and lastly establishes an approved process of admitting future worker to serve of nations workforce needs while simultaneously protecting all workers.”

While these suggestions for immigration reform are cogent and reasonable, it is a clear contradiction to this nation’s values to grant amnesty to those who willfully and knowingly broke the law.

Firstly, all illegal immigrants are criminals in that none of them are innocent of breaking the law. All who come here illegally consciously and

intentionally break the law. For our public servants to grant them citizenship undermines the oath of office they took to protect and defend our fair country from enemies foreign and domestic.

Secondly, if you are here illegally, first and foremost you are breaking the law. This means all those here illegally are entitled to nothing: No vote, no say, no services, no opinion, no status, no right to work etc. There are provisions to seek and gain citizenship, legally. Maybe if illegals had remained in their own country and fought for change and worked towards improving their own countries, maybe their native countries would be better. Our founding fathers put their very lives on the line as do our service men and women throughout history to attain and keep the freedoms we have earned. Our taxes help to support this country, and it’s services should only go to the citizens of this country. Granting amnesty to those who continue to usurp the rule of law is not fair to the citizens who work and pay their taxes.

Thirdly, it is unfair to allow those who have willfully and intentionally broken our nation’s immigration laws to, in essence, cut in front of those across the world who have been patiently and legally waiting their turn to become U.S. citizens. To let those who came here illegally continue to reside in our nation undermines the integrity of our country and

does a disservice to those who abide by the law.

Finally, if we are serious about achieving solving our illegal immigration problem, then we must imprison and apprehend the lawbreakers who come to this country illegally. This would send a concise and direct message to those who come here illegally.

Likewise, those here illegally can deport themselves if they find that coming to America illegally is a serious crime and that the taxpayers will no longer foot the bill for their medical care, education and other welfare amenities.

Furthermore, if we are deeply committed to achieving real immigration reform, the border is going to need much more stringent security. Failing to secure our border costs the taxpayers in many ways. Schools become overcrowded, medical resources are stretched too thin, other government services are overtaxed and taxes increase further. Granting amnesty to those who deliberately break the law not only is economically burdensome, but it is also an injustice.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Day of Man

This Wednesday, February 6, is Siegfried Hall’s annual fundraiser Day of Man.

On the day, the brave men of Siegfried Hall will brave the South Bend tundra in nothing but shorts, t-shirts and flip flops asking you the community for donations for the South Bend Center for the Homeless.

Why do we do this you may ask? We want to stand in solidarity with the homeless during this extremely cold time of the year. We believe that if the homeless go cold all of the time, why can’t we be for one day?

We will be stationed outside of the dining halls, field house mall and outside of DeBartolo Hall all day asking for any donations you the community generously bestow upon us. All of the donations will go directly to the center. Thank you again Notre Dame.

Be Cold. Be Bold. Be a Man.

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Siegfried Hall
Feb. 5

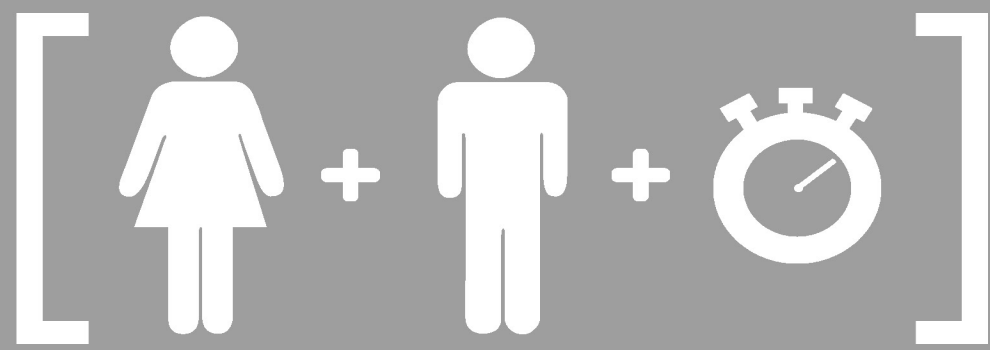
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CONFESSIONS OF A SPEED DATER

Gabriela Leskur

Scene Writer

You've seen the signs posted across campus. Speed Dating is at Legends this Thursday at midnight.

I bet you've chuckled to your friends and asked, "Who even goes to that?"

Good question. Last semester, I wanted to find out.

So after a few minutes of creating the perfect outfit — where you couldn't quite tell if I was being serious or if I was going as a joke — I made the long walk to Legends.

I'm glad I went. Actually, I now think that everyone should go at least once during his or her four years at Notre Dame.

Not because I found true love, but because during that hour I met a cast of characters worthy of their own CW drama.

Here's a purely hypothetical example of what you might encounter:

Greg the Grad Student

Greg is 26, sporting a well-groomed goatee and a plaid button-down. It's obvious he's looking for a real connection. Poor guy doesn't realize the majority of the girls in here are freshmen. He's got a soulful look to him and the slight smell of cigarette smoke lingers from his jacket. You can tell Notre Dame is going to be a huge adjustment from his freewheeling days at Brown.

He's pursuing a Master's degree in Art History and living at Irish Row. That's really all you learn about him because once you mention that you are 17, a look of horror spreads across his face and a panicked smile graces his lips. He barely squeaks out a "Nice to meet you" before bolting, allowing himself to find a more age-appropriate date.

Danny the Drunk

He plops down on the seat across from you and leans his elbows on the table. For a moment, you think he's wearing some kind of weird cologne. Then you realize that the distinct aroma wafting from his shirt is in fact the beer he spilled on himself earlier. He explains this to you and then widens his bloodshot eyes and asks if he's seen you before.

He has.

You're actually in three classes with him this semester. You receive an occasional mass Snapchat from him. Usually it's just a picture of him holding a red Solo cup and a caption asking, "Hey babe, whatcha doin'?" You never respond.

Tonight, though, he finally knows your answer.

Parker the Player

As he sits down across from you, you can almost feel the cool dripping off him. He opens with a sly line, explaining why he chose to sit at your table. Apparently he got lost in the oceans that are your beautiful blue eyes. He's so charming you almost don't want to tell him your eyes are brown.

You decide to give him a chance and see how the rest of your few minutes together go.

After he dazzles you with his finesse in the art of conversation, you think perhaps you're wrong about him.

That's when he asks you for your number. You agree. Then he lifts up his shirt, hands you a Sharpie and asks you to sign his chest. You silently judge some girl named Mary who wrote "XOXO" next to her phone number on his abs.

You rescind your offer. You hand him back the Sharpie and don't mind when he looks offended. You figure he'll be just fine.

Nick the Narcissist

There's a window right next to your table. You catch him turning and looking in it multiple times when he thinks you're not paying attention. He fixes his hair every two seconds and never stops talking about himself.

Minutes pass and you've learned a lot about him that you didn't really care to know. You know where he's from — the Northeast — and you're not surprised. You know his favorite band, his favorite TV show and his favorite food. You know his dorm is a long walk from most of his classes and how much he hates his RA. Best of all, you know all about the girl from last night, how she was an absolutely terrible kisser as well as her first and last name.

You make a mental note never to hook up with this guy.

When he asks for your phone number, you ask him if he knows your name.

When he doesn't respond, neither do you.

Frank the Friend Zone

Finally, you've met someone you like. He's funny. He's cute. He's interested in you and you are actually interested in him.

He's majoring in Chemical Engineering and Philosophy. He reads Plato for fun. He has a job at the Center for Social Concerns. He knows Fr. Jenkins, Fr. Monk Malloy, and Fr. Hesburgh and refers to them on a first-name basis. After he graduates from Notre Dame, he wants to volunteer abroad and teach English as a second language in rural China. Oh, did he forget to mention he's fluent in Mandarin Chinese?

Just when you feel the love well up inside of you, it's all ruined.

You find out he lives in Carroll.

The one person you've met tonight whom you like. And yet, your chronic laziness has forced you to put him in the friend zone.

You know there must be a Lyons girl out there who will be able to appreciate him and how wonderful he is.

Perhaps you two will have lunch together sometime at South Dining Hall or will run into each other at the Basilica on Sundays. But if you live in PE or Ryan, you know that even true love couldn't compel you to go to Carroll on a daily basis.

So should you go?

Yes.

For those of you not willing to risk the frostbite on the walk over to Legends, your loss. If Frank the Friend Zone can do it, so can you.

For those of you considering the journey through the Indiana tundra, I really suggest you try it. Put on your favorite Uggs, your thickest set of gloves, and just go. You might meet some new friends or the love of your spring semester. Who knows?

If anything, you'll have an interesting topic for small talk when you go on that actual date of yours.

(The characters mentioned in this article are works of fiction. Any similarities with people living or dead are completely coincidental.)

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THE BEYONCÉ BOWL: A HALFTIME SHOW REVIEW

By **MIKO MALABUTE**
Scene Writer

As the first half of Super Bowl XLVII came to a close, viewers attentively gathered around their televisions, as Beyoncé Knowles took the stage for her much-anticipated performance.

After all the introductory flash and flare set the backdrop, Beyoncé's silhouette stood in the middle of the stage, a flashing white light and fog brilliantly illuminating her silhouette as she belted out the first words of her performance, "Baby it's you, you're the one I love!" The crowd cheered as Beyoncé made a powerful transition into her opening song, "Crazy In Love." This was immediately followed by "Til The End Of Time," where her ability to truly utilize an entire stage and make herself at home was put on the brightest of displays.

What followed was a performance of the throwback hit "Baby Boy," which featured Beyoncé standing in the middle of a lit screen that showed several images of "replica" Beyoncés simultaneously performing with her, in an effort that was dubbed "not even fair" by a few gentlemen fans.

"Not even fair" probably summed up Beyoncé's night, as she completely dominated her performance, one of the best and most memorable halftime performances in recent Super Bowl history.

The performance from the self-named "Sasha Fierce" was every bit as fierce as the name of Beyoncé's alter ego suggests. The dancing struck a very captivating balance between dominating and just outright sexy. Her stage presence was just absolutely commanding, as she seemed to exude every bit of her stage presence, and — in my best attempt to avoid sounding like Brent



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Musburger to Katherine Webb — Beyoncé was simply stunning. My own reactions were validated by the loud, approving roars from a room full of Stedsmen.

Excitement flowed over the top when former (and now reunited) Destiny's Child cohorts Kelly Rowland and Michelle Williams emerged from within the stage to join Beyoncé, as they jumped into their 2000 hit,

"Independent Women Part I," not missing a beat, even after all this time. Their performance peaked as all three members of Destiny's Child performed Beyoncé's smash hit "Single Ladies."

However, at the end of the day, the star was unquestionably Beyoncé, and even as Destiny's Child left her for her solo finale of "Halo," she certainly filled the stage, leaving no room for doubt that she absolutely dominated her performance.

My lone gripe was that I felt it was a universal expectation for the musical power couple that is Jay-Z and Beyoncé to perform live together, and I know that I was persistently waiting, half-expectantly, for him to emerge at any minute. With the heartwarming reunion of Destiny's Child, I couldn't help but feel like another guest appearance was bound to happen.

Of course, in light of Beyoncé's mild controversy over lip-syncing at the presidential inauguration, many were on the lookout to see if she would be guilty of it again. However, there was no doubt — at least, to me — that this performance was completely energetic and earnest, awe-inspiring and just outright entertaining.

I liked it. I guess, by her logic, I should have put a ring on it.

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WAKA DOG CAFÉ: FOR YOUR OFF-CAMPUS HOT DOG FIX

By **ANKUR CHAWLA**
Scene Writer

With its grand opening just over a week ago, the Waka Dog Café is the newest addition to South Bend's deep arsenal of eateries. The Waka Dog Café replaced the not-so-great Falafel Express, right next door to Between the Buns and Studebagels. Making the move from its former Mishawaka location, Waka Dog should definitely be on your list of places to eat off campus when quarter dogs just aren't good enough.

Offering a wide range of hot dog options, Waka Dog's more popular options include the Chicago Dog, with the traditional poppyseed bun, pickles, peppers and celery salt, and their other options with chili, cheese, cole slaw and more. However, their menu doesn't stop there. Pulled pork, spaghetti and meatloaf make up the home-cooked meal options along with fries, onion rings and mozzarella sticks.



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The best part of the menu has to be the prices. While not exactly quarter dogs, a regular hot dog for \$1.79 and any two hot dogs with fries and a drink for \$6.99 is tough to beat. Still, even with the cheap prices there is no sacrifice on quality, as a dog at Waka Dog is reminiscent of one you may buy from your favorite stand in Chicago or New York.

An interesting menu item at the Waka Dog is the "WAKADOG Challenge," which deserves a spot on "Man vs. Food." The challenge starts with a half loaf of Italian bread topped first with two half-pound foot-long dogs prepared Chicago style. Then, the dogs are topped with three-quarters of a pound of Carolina pulled pork, a generous helping of coleslaw, fistfuls of fries, chili and cheese and pretty much anything else you could ever want on a pizza tray of hot dog awesomeness.

Living off campus, I have struggled to find a replacement for quarter dogs at LaFun, and though Waka Dog

is only open until 9 p.m., it definitely is a more-than-ad-equate substitute. Additionally, they have a full breakfast menu with pancakes, eggs and French toast all for much less than I would have to spend on a meal at the dining hall. I have no doubt dropping by for a Waka Dog on your way to and from Between the Buns will become a game-day tradition next football season.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Ryder Cup quietly triumphs



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Editor's note: This is the seventh in a 10-part series discussing the best event in sports. In this installment, Peter Steiner argues for the Ryder Cup.

It doesn't get the highest television ratings or the most media attention. It doesn't bring in the most spectators or big-name celebrities. And if you asked random sports fans, it wouldn't cross their minds as the best event in sports.

But all that doesn't mean the Ryder Cup is not the greatest event in sports, even if the majority says otherwise. And if you take a step back from the masses and the typical arguments and reevaluate the Ryder Cup on its substance, you may begin to recognize why it represents the greatest things we love about sports.

To begin, you know an event deserves to be called great when the players themselves love the event, even though they aren't paid to play and won't take home money if they win. These players have competed on the biggest stages, yet they still tremble as they approach their first tee-shot, nervous as they get ready to play for more than just themselves.

And that fact sets the Ryder Cup apart from any other golf event. The Ryder Cup takes perhaps the most individual sport in the world and turns it right around. Suddenly you are playing for your partner, your team and your country.

You won't see a Ping visor on top of Bubba Watson's flow or Tiger (and now Rory) sporting the Nike gear. Instead, they'll be proudly wearing their team's apparel, focused solely on playing golf for their country.

What makes the Olympics and World Cup so great? Obviously, it's cheering for your country and the athletes who worked so hard to compete for their homeland. The Ryder Cup, which occurs only every two years, brings this aspect to the table and the intense atmosphere along with it.

Typically, sports fans will cheer for Phil, Rory or Luke Donald on any given Sunday. Now fans get to cheer for 12 of them and watch these stars work together as partners and teammates.

But that's not all that makes the golf more exciting. Instead of the typical stroke play formats and less exciting opening rounds, the Ryder Cup has two days of alternate shot and best ball matches before 12 singles matches on the final day. These formats assure an exciting event because a pair or player is never out of a match by the ninth hole and many matches to come down to the wire, like 2012, when six matches were decided on the 18th hole.

The lineups and captains' choices also add incredible intrigue to the event as we get to see the best in the world play head-to-head on the final day of competition. Strategy becomes a major factor in the three-day competition because each day's lineup can decide how the entire event plays out.

Plus, with each team accumulating points, fans know exactly where their team stands. But despite this fact, you never know when the event will be clinched because all the matches are going on at the same time. The event may be over before the last two pairings even reach the 15th hole, but it could also come down to the 18th hole in the last singles match, like the Ryder Cup did in 2012.

While The Masters has some magical moments in its history, the Ryder Cup has seen plenty of thrilling finishes of its own. But without a filter for the passion of the players and fans like at most major tournaments, the moments are especially memorable. Take the "Battle of Brookline" in 1999, for example, when the U.S. completed an epic comeback from down 10-6 to win 14.5-13.5. The Europeans enacted their revenge last September though, mounting the exact same comeback to beat the Americans.

Between the passion, patriotism and love for the game seen in players and fans alike, there isn't much not to like about the Ryder Cup.

It doesn't need the excessive media attention, weeks long buildup of hype or million dollar commercials.

It already has everything it needs to be the best event in sports.

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NFL

Fans bet record \$98.9M

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Sports fans bet a record \$98.9 million at Nevada casinos on the Super Bowl, the Nevada Gaming Control Board said Monday.

Unaudited tallies show 183 sports books made \$7.2 million on the football action.

The San Francisco 49ers started out as a 5-point favorite but the Baltimore Ravens won 34-31.

Odds makers say California fans drove the unprecedented handle, flooding Las Vegas and the Lake Tahoe area with wagers on the hometown team, which hadn't been in the Super Bowl since 1995.

"Northern Nevada gets swamped with 49er money," LVH book director Jay Kornegay said.

Bookmakers speculated that the popularity of 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick, who played his college football at Nevada, drove some of the betting among locals.

The previous record was set in 2006, when gamblers wagered \$94.5 million on the Super Bowl between the Seattle Seahawks and the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Book makers said they took a beating this year on proposition bets, including a long-shot on whether there would be a safety.

Ravens punter Sam Koch took a safety for the final score with 4 seconds left in the game.

Casinos retained 7.3 percent of the millions wagered, slightly less than the average hold during the past decade, which has fluctuated from lows of negative 2.8 percent to highs of 17 percent.

The 65 points scored in New Orleans easily exceeded the over/under of 49. Gamblers bet the line down 1½ points before the game to give the 49ers a 3 ½ handicap by kickoff.

Late money poured in for the "over" wager and for



Morning host Jared Pike stands near an intersection in Winston-Salem N.C., on Monday morning after losing a bet against the Ravens.

the 49ers, who have built a reputation as a second-half team, Kornegay said.

Johnny Avello, director of race and sports at Wynn Las Vegas, said the big plays that characterized Sunday's game and made it fun to watch proved to be gloomy news for casinos, which offer a growing list of proposition bets on everything from whether quarterbacks will throw interceptions to whether teams will score in the final two minutes of the first half.

"Everything that could've happened yesterday almost did," Avello said. "All the props — 'Will this guy pass by this much?' 'Will this guy make this many receptions' — all of those were, 'Yes.'"

"The safety was awful," he added. "When we cashed last night, it seemed like everyone had a bet on a safety."

Casinos paid out at 9-to-1 for the safety. Fans who bet that the 49ers' final score would be on a safety cashed in at 50-to-1.

Sports books also paid out big last year when the New

York Giants played the New England Patriots and the first score of the game was a safety. Next year, Avello plans to lower the odds for that outcome.

Nevada sports books have lost only twice on the Super Bowl in the past 20 years, most recently in 2008, when New York beat the Patriots, costing casinos a record \$2.6 million.

Odds makers released numbers for next year's Super Bowl before fans even had time to stumble back to their hotel rooms Sunday night.

RJ Bell of Las Vegas-based Pregame.com made the Patriots 7-to-1 favorites, with the 49ers and Denver Broncos following close behind at 8-to-1.

Gamblers wanted to see the odds for another Super Bowl blackout, Kornegay said, but even Vegas can't offer that action.

"We have to stay on the field of play," Kornegay said. "But I'm pretty sure that some of the offshore books will have that bet next year."

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Super Bowl XLVII February 3, 2013; If Ravens & 49ers are tied at end of regulation of Super Bowl XLVII, the 2 Harbaugh brothers will meet at mid-field and wrestle to see who wins. NFC champions San Francisco 49ers are 5-0 in Super Bowl appearances. They've never lost a Super Bowl game in NFL history.

Super Bowl and Social Media; In the end, the Ravens may have won Superbowl XLVII in New Orleans. But the sudden power outage during half-time won its social media time slot. The power outage was an immediate hot topic for questions online. There were an estimated 47.7 million social media posts during the game.

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Hoosiers reclaim nation's top spot

Associated Press

Tom Crean's whirlwind week got even crazier Monday.

Upon returning home from the Super Bowl, the Indiana coach found out he's leading America's No. 1 college basketball team. Again.

It was another crowning moment in a week full of big wins for the Crean clan. Indiana beat No. 13 Michigan State, archrival Purdue and No. 1 Michigan in a seven-day span, before Crean headed to New Orleans. There, he watched one brother-in-law beat his other brother-in-law for the Super Bowl title. Finally, he saw the Hoosiers reclaim the top spot in The Associated Press poll after seven weeks.

"Our guys appreciate winning. They appreciate the task that it is and I think because our older guys have been through so many hard times, they appreciate it that much more," a weary-sounding Crean said during Monday's weekly Big Ten conference

call. "And I think our younger guys were raised on winning. Guys like Yogi (Ferrell), Cody (Zeller), Remy Abell, those guys were really raised on winning, and that helps."

It's the fifth straight week there is a new No. 1 team.

Duke started the current streak and was followed by Louisville, Duke again, Michigan and now Indiana. The last time there were five No. 1s in as many weeks was the last five polls of 2008-09, when it was Connecticut, Pittsburgh, Connecticut again, North Carolina and Louisville.

The Hoosiers, the preseason No. 1, held the top spot for the first five weeks of the regular season. They moved up two spots Monday after their win over the Wolverines and then-No. 2 Kansas' loss to Oklahoma State. They received 58 first-place votes from the 65-member national media panel, while Florida, which jumped two spots to second, got the other seven.

NFL

Goodell praises New Orleans despite blackout

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The blackout at the Superdome will not stop the Super Bowl from returning to New Orleans.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said that despite the electrical outage which delayed Sunday night's game for 34 minutes, the city did a "terrific" job hosting its first pro football championship in the post-Katrina era.

"Let me reiterate again what an extraordinary job the city of New Orleans has done," said Goodell, speaking Monday at a post-Super Bowl media conference held for the game's most valuable player, Baltimore quarterback Joe Flacco, and winning coach John Harbaugh. "The most important thing is to make sure people understand it was a fantastic week."

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NFL commissioner Roger Goodell shakes hands with San Francisco coach Jim Harbaugh before Super Bowl XLVII on Sunday.

event and focus of an unofficial national holiday gets any place a lot of attention, this game had special meaning for New Orleans.

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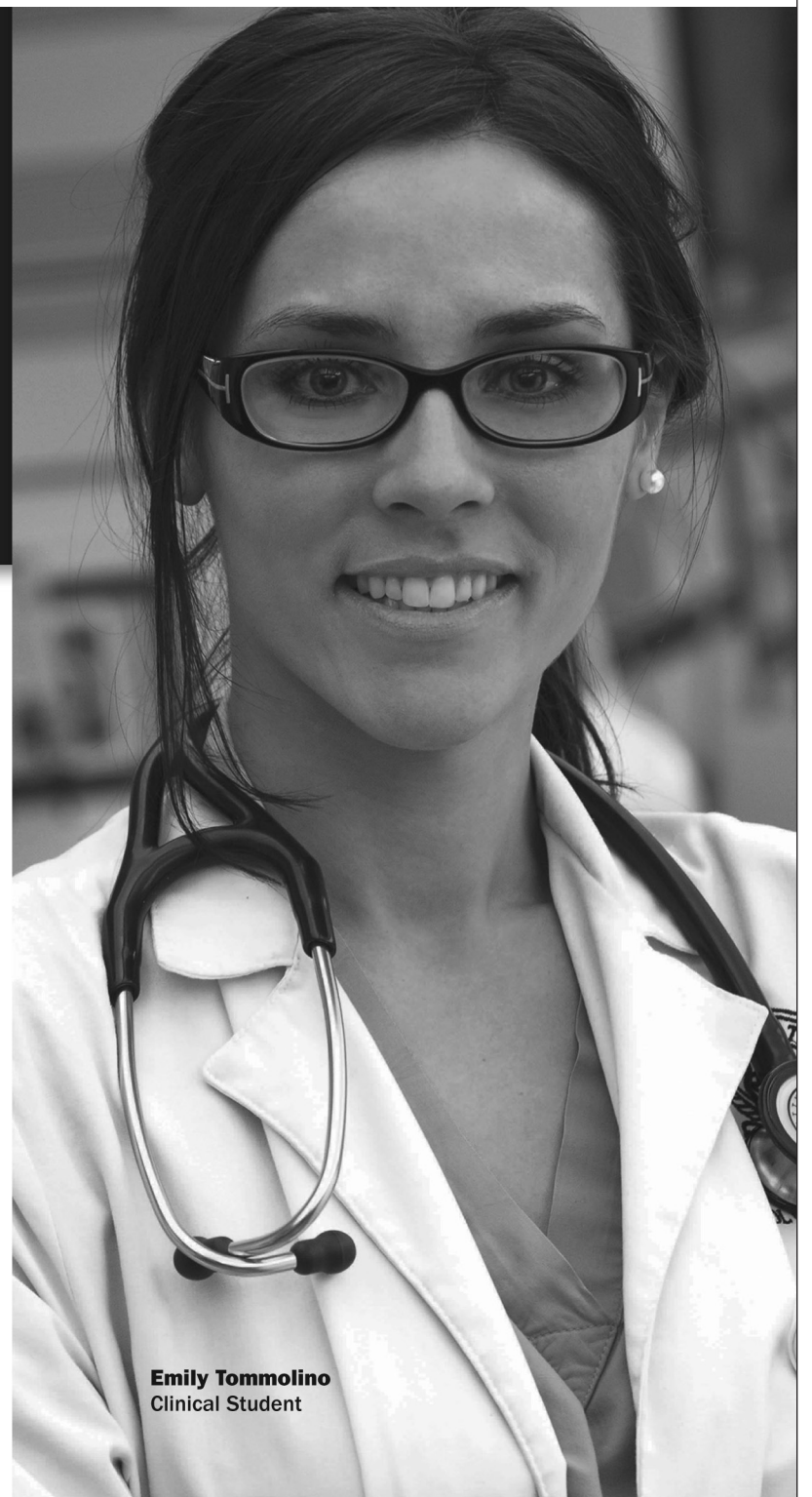
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MEN'S TENNIS

Moros finds success through consistency

By **PETER STEINER**
Sports Writer

Of all the cheers during Sunday's match against No. 5 Duke, the loudest were for Irish senior Blas Moros. The cheers were coming from a large cohort of fans at the Eck Pavilion who were there to root for the Irish, but especially for the co-captain playing No. 2 singles.

Although Moros lost his match to No. 23 Blue Devils junior Fred Saba and the Irish dropped the match 4-0, the senior said there were still positives to take away from the defeat.

"It's tough losing tight matches, but at the same time there's something to get from them knowing that you're right in there with a top-five team like Duke," Moros said. "I think we can take a lot of confidence from these matches."

Confidence has always been an important aspect of Moros' tennis game, especially since the senior made the jump to No. 2 singles earlier this fall season. His confidence coupled with three prior years of singles experience in the Irish lineup — the majority at No. 5 and No. 6 singles — has certainly helped the senior

this year.

"I think a big part of [playing No. 2 singles] is experience, knowing what to expect and the match experience," the Boca Raton, Fla., native said. "And then confidence, putting in the work during the summer, and knowing that there aren't many people in the country that have worked as hard as I have and then having that belief going into matches."

This mindset worked well in the fall season, as Moros finished with a perfect 10-0 record in singles. In addition, Moros was named to three all-tournament teams and won the Tom Fallon Invitational MVP on the weekend of Oct. 6, 2012.

"I was really happy with my fall season," Moros said. "I think part of it was what I was able to do over the summer. Even though I had an internship, I was still able to stay in really good shape and work on a couple of key aspects of my game that I knew needed improvement from last year to this year if I wanted to keep playing high in the singles lineup."

Unlike some of his teammates, Moros does not have a big serve or come to the net as often as others. Instead, the senior utilizes consistent ground strokes and

mental toughness to take down his opponents.

"I kind of consider myself an aggressive baseliner," Moros said. "I don't have a huge serve like a lot of guys higher up on the team do, but I am very gritty, mentally tough and I don't give away too many errors. Consistency and an all-around game are my biggest attributes."

Besides playing No. 2 singles, the lone senior in the typical singles lineup has taken on the role of the vocal leader of a young Irish roster.

"Even though [junior co-captain Greg Andrews and I] both have some aspects of leader by example and vocal leader, I've tended to be more of the vocal leader," Moros said. "I tend to be the one who organizes all the events and talks to the guys and makes sure all the guys are doing everything necessary."

Although his tennis career is not yet over, the senior recognizes that his tennis career at Notre Dame has already been remarkable.

"It's been an incredible four years," Moros said. "I'm kind of sad that it's coming to an end somewhat. I think I've taken a lot of big steps with my tennis."



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Irish senior Blas Moros returns the ball during Notre Dame's 7-0 victory over DePaul on April 4, 2012.

Despite the success thus far in his senior year, Moros will face many challenges this coming spring season, mostly in the form of top-ranked opponents at the No. 2 singles position. The Irish will face off against No. 2 USC, No. 4 Ohio State and No. 9 Kentucky in the next two months.

"Week in, week out, regardless of which team you're playing, in the higher lineup positions, you

are going to be playing a good player," Moros said. "That's part of what's great and it's also a challenge."

Although the Irish have a difficult schedule this spring, Moros will certainly have the support of his team and all his Irish fans behind him the whole way.

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SMC BASKETBALL | ALBION 73, SMC 58

Belles drop sixth straight game

By **KIT LOUGHRAN**
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's fell behind early in what turned out to be an insurmountable deficit as the Belles fell to Albion 73-58 Saturday in Albion, Mich.

The Belles (5-17, 3-10 MIAA) found themselves immediately behind in the first half as the Brits (7-14, 4-8) started on a 15-2 run to open the game.

The Belles didn't score until the 10:53 mark of the first half, when freshman forward Emily Page hit a jump shot. After back-to-back baskets by junior guard Shanlynn Bias, the Belles shortened Albion's lead to only seven points. The Brits, however, quickly responded with a layup and six consecutive points to gain a 23-10 lead over the Belles and extended their lead to 43-27 at the half. With less than seven minutes left in the second half, Saint Mary's heated up and worked to get back in the game. Field goals from freshman guard Sarah Macius, freshman forward Eleni Shea, senior guard Kayla Wolter and Bias secured eleven straight points for the Belles and shrunk the Brits' lead to 15. The Belles, however, would not come any closer, as Albion closed out the game to

win 73-58. Despite the loss, the Belles found success in several facets of the game. Bias led the Belles with fifteen points, while Wolter scored 11 points and had a career-high seven assists. Freshman forward Krista Knapke had nine points and led the Belles with 10 rebounds.

Saint Mary's also improved its play in the second half. Connecting on only 25 percent of their shots in the first half, the Belles shot 48 percent and outscored the Brits 31-30 in the second half. Saint Mary's head coach Jennifer Henley said the team's play in the second half significantly improved from that in the first half.

"We were a different team in the second half," Henley said. "In the first half, we couldn't find a way to stop Albion as a team."

Coming off another loss, the Belles look to prepare for their next opponent, Calvin (18-1, 11-0).

"We need to find a way to put 40 minutes of solid basketball together," Henley said.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS | ND 4, IOWA 3

McGaffigan caps Irish comeback against Iowa



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Irish sophomore Molly O'Koniewski returns the ball during Notre Dame's 7-0 victory over Bowling Green on Jan. 18. The Irish came back from a 3-0 deficit to defeat Iowa on Monday 4-3.

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

After falling behind early, the Irish turned their match around with a three-point comeback and defeated Iowa 4-3 on Monday.

Notre Dame started well, with freshman Quinn Gleason and junior Britney Sanders claiming victory at No. 2 doubles in an easy 8-3 win.

From there, the team began to fall apart. Sophomore Molly O'Koniewski and junior Julie Sabacinski were crushed in their doubles match, losing 8-3.

Shortly after, the

co-captain doubles team of junior Jennifer Kellner and senior Chrissie McGaffigan fell behind in a close 8-6 loss, giving the Hawkeyes the doubles point.

Sanders said the Irish fell behind early due to exhaustion from their close win over Tennessee on Sunday.

"We were tired, but we were able to pull it out," Sanders said.

Down 1-0, the Irish looked to make a comeback in singles play, but Iowa quickly pulled further ahead. Sanders finished her match first, dropping it 6-2, 6-3 at No. 1 singles. Sabacinski brought her match to three sets, but lost 6-1, 3-6, 6-4.

Sanders said the Irish needed a change in attitude to come back from behind.

"We were pretty down," Sanders said. "What got us back into it was changing our attitudes. We started being more positive and we were cheering each other on like crazy."

With the game 3-0, O'Koniewski began the rally for the Irish. Her 6-0, 4-6, 6-2 victory at No. 6 singles finally put the Irish on the board.

Gleason shortly added to the Irish comeback. After dropping her first set, Gleason snatched the victory 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-4). Not long after, Kellner won 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

With only one match left to finish, the Irish had come from behind to tie the Hawkeyes 3-3.

McGaffigan kept her composure in the long match against Hawkeye sophomore Katie Zordani and managed to clinch the win for the Irish with a 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 victory at No. 4 singles.

The final set was close, with McGaffigan taking an early 4-2 lead. Zordani closed the gap and the score stood at 5-4 with McGaffigan in the lead. After a long final point, McGaffigan finally won the final set. Her victory clinched Notre Dame's second victory in a row.

McGaffigan said she was proud to win the deciding match for her team.

"It was a great feeling being able to pull my match out for my team," McGaffigan said. "We all work so hard in practice and fight with everything we have in matches."

McGaffigan said she was proud of how her teammates were able to cheer each other on from their own individual courts and encourage the Irish to fight back and win.

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Irish senior forward Jack Cooley gets fouled as he goes up for a shot during Notre Dame's 63-47 loss to Syracuse on Monday.

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week."

Coming off a sluggish overtime victory over a struggling DePaul team on the road, Notre Dame failed to get shooting momentum going ahead of its primetime showdown with No. 11 Louisville

"We need some rest right now ... Then we've got a heck of a challenge in an exciting atmosphere Saturday night."

Mike Brey

Irish coach

on Saturday. Freshman forward Cam Biedscheid shot 1-for-8 from 3-point territory and sophomore guard/forward Pat Connaughton missed on all three of his attempts from behind the arc, as well.

Brey said the height of Syracuse guards Michael

Carter-Williams (6-foot-6) and Brandon Triche (6-foot-4) impacted the shooting against the zone.

"I think you have to give Syracuse credit because they're really long and athletic in that zone, and they hurry you a little bit," Brey said. "When you have a long guy flying at you, you tend to be a little sheepish on the release. I just think their length bothered us. Their guards up top are bigger than last year, so even our guards didn't get good looks."

Brey's squad will now take the remainder of the week to rest and practice for a marquee matchup with Louisville on Saturday night at Purcell Pavilion. ESPN's "College GameDay" will be on campus in the lead-up to the matchup.

"We need to get some rest right now," Brey said. "Then we've got a heck of a challenge in an exciting atmosphere Saturday night."

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McGraw

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(20-1, 8-0 Big East) defeated Cincinnati 64-42 at Purcell Pavilion. McBride served as the catalyst for the Irish offense, scoring 17 points in the first half and sinking her first seven shot attempts.

Although the outcome of Saturday's game was rarely in doubt, McGraw said she was disappointed with the energy the team displayed in the victory.

"I thought we looked sluggish, I thought our pace was too slow," she said after the game. "[Cincinnati] was very deliberate on offense, and I think we got lulled into that, and we can't do that because we play Villanova next, and they're going to do the same thing, so we've got to be able to set the tone with the tempo."

Controlling the pace of the game will be critical for Notre Dame against Villanova (16-5, 5-3), an upstart squad that is undefeated at home this season. The Wildcats won 15 of their first 17 games but have dropped three of their last four games, with two of those losses coming in overtime.

Villanova senior forward Laura Sweeney leads the Wildcats in nearly every major statistical category and has seven double-doubles on the season. Senior guard Rachel Roberts sits second on the team in scoring with



KEVIN SONG | The Observer

Irish sophomore guard Whitney Holloway pivots around defenders during Notre Dame's 64-42 victory over Cincinnati on Sunday.

an average of 10.9 points per game and is the team leader in assists.

With a difficult slate of four games in 11 days now behind them, the Irish should have most of their squad at full health. Sophomore guard Madison Cable, who sat out the Cincinnati game with a sprained ankle, is expected to play tonight. Senior guard Kaila Turner, who suffered a knee injury against St. John's on Jan. 20, scored 11 points off the bench Saturday and said her recovery is coming

along.

"Being injured is not very fun," Turner said. "I was pretty done with it after day two. I just try to ice [the knee] every day and do therapy when I can."

McGraw will look for her 700th win, and the Irish will look for their 16th consecutive victory, when they face Villanova tonight at 7 p.m. at The Pavilion in Villanova, Pa.

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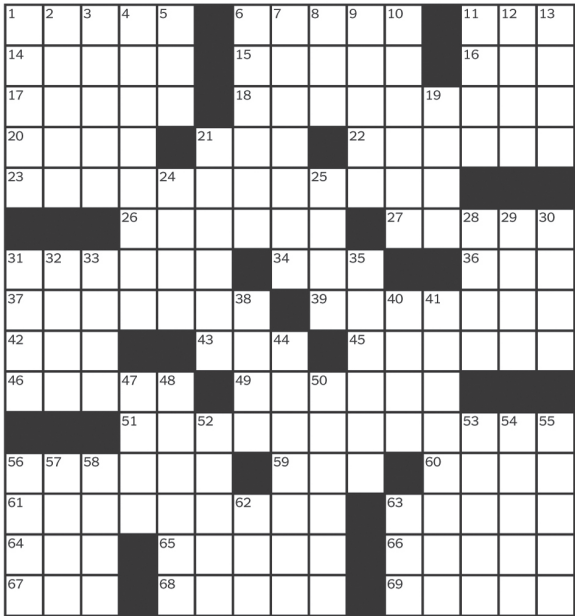
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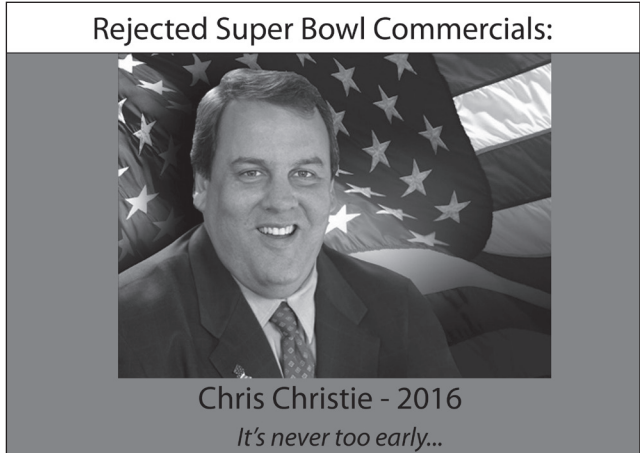
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MEN'S BASKETBALL | SYRACUSE 63, ND 47

Zoning out

No. 25 Irish struggle to make shots against Syracuse zone defense

By CHRIS ALLEN
Sports Editor

In a game that received pre-game attention for a matchup between brothers, No. 25 Notre Dame was doomed by a poor shooting night at the Carrier Dome in a 63-47 loss to No. 9 Syracuse on Monday night.

The Orange (19-3, 7-2 Big East) ended a two-game losing streak in front of a rowdy home crowd as the Irish (18-5, 6-4) fell victim to a 6-for-20 performance from beyond the 3-point arc against the signature Syracuse 2-3 zone defense.

"Their zone distorted us. We weren't able to get into the gaps," Irish coach Mike Brey said in a postgame interview with UND.com. "But you know, we had some looks that you've got to make if you're going to beat them. When we've beaten them, you've got to shoot better than 6-for-20 from the 3-point line. Even from the foul line, we had some key free throws we didn't make."

Syracuse freshman forward Jerami Grant prevailed in the first official matchup with his brother, Notre Dame junior guard Jerian Grant, who led the Irish with 15 points on the night. Their father, former NBA forward Harvey Grant, was in attendance at the Carrier Dome to watch his sons square off. Jerami Grant finished with 14 points on 6-for-8 shooting.

Brey said he did not think the family ties impacted Jerian Grant's play — the junior finished with a team-high four turnovers.

"I think, if anything, [Jerian] wanted it so bad because he wanted to beat his brother," Brey said. "Obviously, Jerami Grant played fabulous against us. We really couldn't defend him, we didn't have many answers for him. He was the difference. But Jerian, in his way, tried to get us going. I think they're very competitive, and I'm sure they'll get on each other here in the next

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Irish senior forward Jack Cooley scrambles for the ball during Notre Dame's 63-47 loss to Syracuse on Monday. Cooley had 10 points and 11 rebounds for his 15th double-double of the year.

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

McGraw approaches milestone near hometown



KEVIN SONG | The Observer

Irish senior guard Skylar Diggins drives past Cincinnati defenders during Notre Dame's 64-42 victory over the Bearcats on Saturday. The Irish will take on Villanova on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

By BRIAN HARTNETT
Sports Writer

Boasting only 17 members at the start of this season, the 700-win club remains one of women's college basketball's most exclusive groups. Irish coach Muffet McGraw looks to become the latest member to join this group when No. 2 Notre Dame squares off against Villanova in Villanova, Pa., tonight.

McGraw will have the chance to achieve the milestone in a region of the country she knows well. A Pottsville, Pa., native, McGraw attended and played at Saint Joseph's in nearby Philadelphia.

"Villanova's always a big game for me," she said Saturday. "I've got 40 or 50 people coming to the game every year, and my whole family's from there, so they'll all be there. My teammates from Saint Joe's will be there, as they are every year. It's a very stressful game for me

because of all the people there, so I'm going to try not to think about that part of it and play the game."

McGraw started her head-coaching career at Lehigh in 1982. After five years there, she came to Notre Dame in 1987 and has won 611 games since, compiling a resume that includes one national championship and four Final Fours.

Irish junior guard Kayla McBride said much of McGraw's success lies in her ability to get the most out of her players.

"Well for me, I love how she's always challenging me," McBride said of her coach. "It's not about what I'm doing right, it's about what I can get better at and I've always loved that about her. I think she thinks sometimes she's too hard on me, but I actually secretly love it."

McGraw's 699th win came Saturday when the Irish

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