

*The Observer remembers the victims of the 9/11 attacks and the rescue teams who responded with bravery.*

## 9/11 haunts national conscience

*12 years later, attack still resonates in foreign relations*

By ANN MARIE JAKUBOWSKI  
and KAITLYN RABACH  
News Editor and Saint Mary's Editor

Twelve years after the World Trade Center tragedy on Sept. 11, 2001, the United States' foreign policy remains affected by the attack's lingering effects and "oversensitivity to terrorism," according to experts.

Michael Desch, Notre Dame political science professor and fellow at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace, said the Sept. 11 attack was catalytic and disproportionate in its political impact.

"One of the real consequences you see is the willingness of the American public to do things in the name of preventing another 9/11 that they would otherwise not agree to, including two long wars overseas and some pretty significant restrictions of our civil liberties at home," Desch said.

The American public perceives the possibility of a repeated attack

as much greater than it truly is, Desch said.

"I think the magnitude of the threat of international terrorism historically is very low, a lot lower than the probability of dying in a car crash or from domestic gun violence or other things like that," he said. "And yet, we tend to remain fixated on the possibility of another terrorist attack in a way that's out of sync with the real danger it presents to us."

Daniel Lindley, a Notre Dame political science associate professor and a fellow with the Kroc Institute, said he sees two major ways the memory of Sept. 11 still affects today's politics.

"First of all, we see it in the general sensitivity to terrorism. We still spend a lot of money trying to combat terrorism, in particular through intelligence programs," Lindley said.

"Second, you see a huge amount of war wariness in



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*The Freedom Tower stands tall as a symbol of strength and a memorial to those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks of 9/11.*

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## Jenkins finds inclusion board

### Observer Staff Report

University President Fr. John Jenkins announced the creation of a President's Oversight Committee on Diversity and Inclusion in a letter sent via email to all faculty, staff and students Monday morning.

The email stated that the committee's purpose is to extend and deepen the diversity and inclusion of the campus community.

"With many colleges and universities across the nation, we believe that a diverse community offers a richer educational environment," Jenkins said in the email. "What is more, as a Catholic university, Notre Dame is part of one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse organizations in the world today, and we strive to reflect that diversity ever more in our community."

Jenkins said in the email that the committee was formed to "maintain ... focus and facilitate appropriate communication, coordination and accountability" on issues surrounding diversity and inclusion on campus.

Jenkins will chair the committee. Other members include Laura Carlson, vice president and associate provost and dean of the Graduate School; Ann Firth, chief of staff; Erin Hoffman Harding, vice president for student affairs; Bob McQuade, vice president for human resources; Dan Myers, vice president and associate provost; Hugh Page, vice president and associate provost for undergraduate affairs and dean of the First Year of Studies; Matt Storin, senior project specialist and Sarah Wake, director of the Office of Institutional Equity.

Committee members will regularly share information with the President's Leadership Council and the Deans' Council, according to the letter. They will also periodically update the University's Academic Council, staff Town Hall meetings and student government leaders.

## Professors discuss options for Syria

*Panelists dispute nature of conflict, potential solutions*

By HENRY GENS  
News Writer

Three preeminent Notre Dame faculty members debated the relative merits and consequences of American military and political intervention in Syria on Tuesday.

David Cortright, director of policy studies at the Kroc Institute for Peace Studies, moderated the panel discussion.

Although a proposition by Russia earlier Tuesday all but mooted the question of imminent military intervention, the panel still engaged in a lively discussion of the United States' options with regard to Syria. Asher Kaufman, Mary Ellen O'Connell and Michael Desch presented three distinct views



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*Michael Desch, chair of the political science department, examines the potential outcomes of American military intervention in Syria.*

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*Experts say Russian compact is not the end*

By TORI ROECK  
Associate News Editor

Syrian leader Bashar al-Assad agreed to destroy the troubled Middle Eastern country's chemical weapons Tuesday in a deal brokered by Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin.

Professor David Cortright of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, who moderated Tuesday's panel discussion on the United States' role in the Syrian crisis, said this development proves the use of force against Syria would have been the wrong decision for the United States.

"I hope what we learn from this is that diplomacy can be effective, that the solution to this turns out to be a diplomatic

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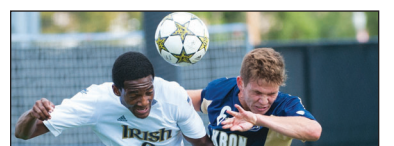
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What was your favorite childhood television show?

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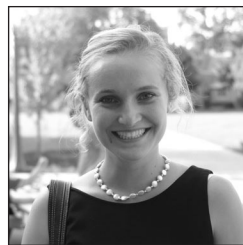
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“Rocket Power.”



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“Hey Arnold.”



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*Tuesday afternoon, junior engineering student Charmagne Solomon takes a picture of a model trolley in front of South Dining Hall for a project assigned in a photography class.*

# THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

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## Wednesday

### Wellness Wednesday

LaFortune Student Center  
11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Write a letter to the armed forces.

### Conversion and Literature Workshop

Geddes Hall  
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Explore classical and late antiquity.

## Thursday

### Mammograms on Campus

Hesburgh Library  
8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Free for those enrolled in University medical plan.

### Talk: “A Disciple for Our Time”

Geddes Hall  
7 p.m.  
Granddaughter remembers Dorothy Day.

## Friday

### Lecture: “Violence in Tudor Ireland”

Flanner Hall  
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Talk by Patricia Palmer from King's College.

### Film: “Before Midnight”

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center  
6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.  
Linklater's 2013 film.

## Saturday

### Biathlon

Boat House  
10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
Half mile swim in St. Joseph Lake followed by two mile run.

### ND Women's Volleyball

Joyce Center  
7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.  
Match versus Auburn.

## Sunday

### Concert

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center  
2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.  
Performance by Third Coast Percussion.

### Family Film: “Pom Poko”

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center  
3 p.m.  
Free for ND students.



# Belles embark on job search at Fall Career Expo

By HANNAH RICHMOND  
News Writer

Eager Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross students filled the Joyce Center Fieldhouse on Tuesday with hopes of getting a job through the Fall Career Expo.

Stacie Jeffirs, director of the Career Crossings Office at Saint Mary's, said the Fair provides an opportunity to talk with many potential employers in one location. Saint Mary's students took full ad-

Jeffirs said she advises students who attend for the Career Expo to "come up with your plan, follow up and follow through." Before the Expo, students researched companies, modified their résumés, practiced what they wanted to say to employers and discussed appropriate attire.

The Career Crossings Office organizes a Junior Jumpstart and a Senior Kick-Off to help students prepare for the Expo and to search for jobs. The events included a panel of alumnae, interns and employers who spoke about their experiences in the professional world and offered 'do's' and 'don'ts' for getting a job.

Junior accounting major Kelley Wright said the panel at Junior Jumpstart was very helpful.

"Everyone has their own tips and quirks that seem to work for them," Wright said.

Senior psychology major Allie Gerths said the Career

Crossings Office reviewed her résumé and cover letter a week before the Expo. She said the Career Crossings Office gave her good tips on

***"Everyone has their own tips and quirks that seem to work for them."***

Kelley Wright  
junior

her résumé, what to wear and what to say while at the fair.

Gerths said she was encouraged when she saw Jeffirs and Career Crossings Office associate Kim Patton signing in students at the Expo.

"I loved that Career Crossings Office was at the Career Fair," Gerths said. "It helped ease my nerves."

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# ND Career Fair connects students and hiring alumni

By JILLIAN FINKELSTEIN  
News Writer

Hundreds of students dressed more formally than usual descended upon the Joyce Center for the annual Fall Career Expo on Tuesday.

This year, more than 165 companies from a wide array of industries were represented at the expo.

The event spans two days and includes a Full-Time Fair, intended for graduating seniors, and an Internship Fair, open to all students, which will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today.

Hilary Flanagan, director of career services, said the event enables students to meet company representatives, many of whom are Notre Dame alumni.

"Career fairs are a great opportunity to actually meet face-to-face with the recruiters, many of whom bring young Notre Dame alumni back who are eager to share their experiences," Flanagan said.

Senior Bill Terry, a finance and consulting major, said this is his third career fair, having attended as both a sophomore and a junior. Of the three so far, Terry said this fair is the most serious because he is now looking for full-time employment.

"It's different now that I'm looking for a full-time job. ... It's more serious business," Terry said.

Senior Mia Counts, a history major, said the experience was enjoyable and good preparation for her post-graduate job search.

"It was very well organized. ... All of the recruiters I talked to were very warm and friendly. Whatever happens, it was very good practice for the future," Counts said.

Terry said he agreed that talking to so many companies interested in hiring Notre Dame graduates will help him find a job in the near future.

"A lot of employers were all in the same location looking to hire Notre Dame grads. It allows you to talk to professionals. ... It will help with networking and contacts in my job search," he said.

Flanagan said while the Fall Career Expo is one of the Career Center's most notable offerings, resources such as mock interviews and résumé reviews are available year-round. Workshops and events are also held frequently to provide venues for networking with employers and alumni in specific lines

of work.

Senior Jasmine Young, a psychology major, said the Career Center helped her prepare her résumé for the Expo.

"To prepare, I went to a career fair prep course they held and updated my résumé," Young said.

Flanagan said beyond the Career Expo there are resources online to help students in their job searches.

"Up-to-date information can be found in GOIRISH. Organizations and companies that specifically want Notre Dame students will post information about job and internship openings throughout the year," she said. "Students are encouraged to go online to discover not only who is coming, but also for which kind of openings they are actually recruiting."

Flanagan said the Career Center will hold several other events this week in addition to the Expo.

The "Backstage Pass" program, specifically intended for first time attendees of the Internship Fair, will take place on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

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Hilary Flanagan  
director of career services

in the Joyce Center and will teach students how to effectively present themselves to employers, Flanagan said.

In addition, employers will be holding interviews at the Career Center throughout the week for both full-time and internship positions.

Flanagan said the Fall Career Expo is not the only one of the year, since company-hiring needs change and some organizations need to hire at different times of the year.

"The Fall Career Expo is heavy on industries who know their hiring prognosis for the year. Organizations have different hiring timelines, so we also hold a Winter Career and Internship Fair," she said.

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***"Come up with your plan, follow up and follow through."***

Stacie Jeffirs  
director of Career Crossings

vantage of the more than 100 companies that were in attendance by going from table to table looking for "the perfect job," Jeffirs said.

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# Police encourage students to have fun, responsibly

By **JOANNA LAGEDROST**  
News Writer

Local police and University officials addressed off-campus safety and proper ways to enjoy college nightlife at Tuesday's Student Safety Summit in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library.

Sgt. Tracy Skibins of the Notre Dame Security Police headed up the panel of law enforcement officers who offered safety tips to students and answered questions about what is acceptable in South Bend and how best to avoid trouble.

Included in the discussion were representatives from the Office of Campus Safety, the Notre Dame student body, the

Indiana State Excise Police, various departments within the South Bend Police Department (SBPD) and Notre Dame Security Police Department (NDSP), the Mishawaka Police Department, the St. Joseph County Police Department and an attorney from the South Bend Special Victims Unit.

NDSP's assistant deputy chief of safety services Keri Kei Shibata said NDSP works to help students stay safe but students also should contact NDSP when problems arise.

"NDSP tries to be a very service-oriented agency, but we rely on [students] to let us know when something does not seem right or when someone may be in trouble," Shibata said.

Ron Teachman, chief of the South Bend Police Department, said his officers don't want to make arrests but rather, seek to ensure safety.

"We take no pleasure in arresting students," Teachman said.

Bill Thompson from the St. Joseph County Police Department echoed this sentiment.

"We want you to have the best four years in college," Thompson said.

In reference to the recent off-campus armed robbery, Teachman cautioned students to travel in groups as a preventative measure.

Lt. Patrick Hechliniski, a crime prevention specialist at the

South Bend Police Department, said students should not carry more money than they need when off campus. Additionally, carrying credit cards when going out is never a good idea.

"Don't carry a wallet or purse," Hechliniski said. "Carry the important things in your pocket."

Captain Scott Ruszkowski of the SBPD, who often deals with Notre Dame off-campus parties, said it is important to remember that most of the time a criminal's intent is to take your belongings without physically harming you.

"Usually, people are not looking to harm you; they only want what you have," Ruszkowski said.

Ruszkowski said he regularly

encounters students who attempt to outrun law enforcement officers. He warned students that in those situations they will be caught and will face harsher consequences.

"You can't outrun the police radio," he said.

Sgt. Alvin Taylor of the Indiana State Excise Police reiterated the need for taking responsibility for mistakes. He said lying can only make things worse.

"If the police show up, and if you're in charge of the residence, step forward and say you're in charge of the residence," Taylor said.

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## SMC engineers aspire to impress at Industry Day

By **TABITHA RICKETTS**  
News Writer

The Career Center's Engineering Industry Day drew more than just corporate representatives to campus Tuesday, namely, engineering students from Saint Mary's.

The Engineering Industry Day (EID) event brings engineering companies and students together through a variety of events at the Joyce Athletic and Convention Center.

Azunne Anigbo, a chemistry major at Saint Mary's and chemical engineer at Notre Dame, said last year's EID Fair helped her advance her career goals.

"I went to the Industry Fair last year, and it was really good," Anigbo said. "I met with a lot of people [and] got an interview out of it."

Saint Mary's chemistry professor and engineering program administrator Dr. Toni Barstis said like the Notre Dame Career Expo, the EID Fair hosts companies looking to hire students in specific fields. The Fair gives students the opportunity to network with recruiters while researching and applying for positions.

Jenna Troppman, a Saint Mary's math and Notre Dame civil engineering major, said she was pleased by the variety of businesses at the Fair and found some firms with which she would like to intern.

"It was very enlightening, seeing all the companies and all the different [things] that they do and all the different locations," Troppman said.

Barstis said the Saint Mary's engineers met with career exploration specialist Laura Flynn from the Career Center on Thursday in order to prepare for the EID Fair. Flynn worked with the students to improve their resumes and interview skills.

Saint Mary's junior Mary Kate Hussey, a chemistry and chemical engineering double major, said working with Flynn prepared her for her future job search.

"I think that it really helps make you aware of what you need to do in the future at interviews and other career fairs," she said.

In addition to the Fair, Engineering Industry Day included a dinner for minority engineers, a breakfast for chemical

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Madeline Powell  
Saint Mary's alumna

engineers, a civil engineering lunch and other, major-specific events. These activities enable students to meet engineering companies in a more intimate environment that provides ample opportunities for networking and learning more about a specific industry, Barstis said.

Haley Gordon, a chemistry and chemical engineering major, said most of the EID events were during class times, which made it difficult for Saint Mary's engineers to participate.

Nevertheless, Chanler Rosenbaum, a math and mechanical engineering major, and some other Saint Mary's engineers managed to attend. Rosenbaum said after attending a event specific to her major Monday, she was excited about the EID Fair.

"I went to the Aerospace/

Mechanical Engineering Night [on Monday]," Rosenbaum said. "I thought it was a great experience. I learned about the different departments that were most interesting to me in each company. I talked to a few companies ... and will talk to them [at the Fair] to show that I am very interested in interning at their company."

Saint Mary's alumna Megan Gin, a chemist and cellular biologist representing British Petroleum (BP) at the Fair, said the dual-degree engineering program made her an asset to her employer.

"It's a very challenging program, to say the least, but it is something that's very rewarding in the end," Gin said.

Gin said when she was a student, the dual-degree engineering program was in its early years.

"I think the program was still growing," Gin said. "I think as more and more people become aware of the program and understand it, each year it gets a little bit bigger and it gets a little bit better."

Chemist and cellular biologist Madeline Powell, another Saint Mary's alumna, represented the SPX corporation at the Fair. She said the dual-degree program gave her an analytical understanding of what it takes to work in a lab as an engineer and a scientist. The senior composition experience at Saint Mary's also gave her confidence and an advantage when presenting in professional and technical environments, she said.

"I was able to experience a technical degree in a small setting like Saint Mary's but also able to experience the large lectures at Notre Dame," Powell said. "That was invaluable."

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## Experts

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agreement, not military strikes," Cortright said. "Although ... the threat of military strikes helped to catalyze the diplomatic action."

Cortright said the United States should realize that Russia could be a helpful ally in dealings with the Middle East.

"We can benefit from cooperating with Russia," he said. "Everyone was sort of bashing Russia these days, but as much as we may disagree with some of Mr. Putin's policies, the fact of the matter is that Russia's cooperation can be very important in solving some of these difficult challenges."

Another difficult challenge Russia could help solve is the nuclear problem in Iran, Cortright said.

"It's very significant that Iran expressed support for the Russian deal right away; within four or five hours of when it was announced, the Iranian foreign ministry said, 'We support this proposal,'" he said. "That sent a message to Assad that ... his two main patrons basically said, 'Here's the deal.' He really had no choice but to accept it."

Cortright said although the chemical weapons deal negates the possibility of immediate United States military intervention in the region, Congress may pass a resolution to discuss the use of force at a later date if Syria reneges on its promise.

"Senator [Harry] Reid made a speech just the other day ... and that's basically the veiled message that he's making — that we need to keep the potential threat of military action still in the background, not take it off the table entirely," Cortright said.

In the meantime, Cortright said he thinks it's the United Nations' job to make sure Syria sticks to its chemical weapons agreement.

"I've advocated for a long time that the U.N. should be front and center in this whole question," he said. "The administration initially mishandled the U.N. because the first proposal they made to the U.N. was military action. There was no way Russia was going to support that, or Argentina, or China; several countries on the [Security] Council

said 'no' right away. So that was a mistake. But now, Secretary [of State John] Kerry, apparently, and the [Obama] administration and certainly the French, have said we need to go to the U.N. now to get the U.N. to implement the Russian deal."

Cortright said the U.N. is most qualified to ensure Syria disposes of its chemical weapons.

"I'm sure we will insist upon on-the-ground monitoring to make sure this is really happening, and that's a role for the U.N.," he said. "The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)—they have the experts... It's an organization that was created through a U.N. process, although it's an independent organization. But it reports to the U.N., so the U.N. working with the OPCW will need to play a key role in monitoring and implementing this resolution."

Cortright said the Catholic Church has been vocal in its opposition to military interference in Syria, and its hierarchy is most likely pleased with the diplomatic deal and the role of the U.N. in implementing it.

"The Church position is that war and military action is always a defeat for humankind. It's always a violation of God's desires for humans to be more loving and more godlike in our lives," Cortright said. "They had this prayer vigil at the Vatican this weekend ... that seemed almost like a peace rally, and the Pope stayed for most of it, and it went well into the night."

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops also released two letters urging peaceful solutions, one addressed to Congress and the Obama Administration and one addressed to the leaders of the G20 Summit, Cortright said.

Cortright said he believes the Church is happy that military intervention in Syria is off the table, at least for now.

"I haven't seen yet a statement from the bishops or the Vatican, but I suspect that everyone's relieved and is perhaps believing that they're prayers were probably answered," he said.

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America. The opposition to a Syrian strike right now is unbelievably huge on Capitol Hill, and that's partly because of the wars we were involved in after 9/11."

Lindley said the United States' response to the attack in 2001 had major consequences, including becoming involved in two wars, hurting relations with some armed members of the Muslim world and "getting bogged down in Iraq and Afghanistan."

Marc Belanger, chair of the Saint Mary's Department of Political Science, said American intervention in Iraq and Afghanistan damaged relations with some of the United States' allies and created problems for foreign policy with respect to the Middle East.

"The tendency of the United

States to expect others to accept our definition of the War on Terrorism, especially in the wake of the Iraq War, in particular, undermined the reputation of the United States globally, especially in the Arab world," Belanger said. "You can see that right now with the nation dealing with a response to Syria and the use of chemical weapons."

Belanger said he often wonders whether or not it is really possible to fight a war on terrorism.

"You can fight a war on Al Qaeda, but can you fight against a political method?" Belanger said. "It is such an imprecise, slippery concept — a misnomer which has led to a lot of confusion."

Desch and Lindley said the public's tendency to overreact to any suggestion of terrorism has adversely affected today's international relations policies.

"I think the general proclivity

has been to overreact, and I think it's a function of the fact that 9/11 involved an event that was unexpected and surprising and certainly horrific in its consequences," Desch said. "But not more horrific than other wars or other things that kill people or cause grievous injury."

"Inasmuch as we overreact, the ghost of Osama bin Laden is smiling because a key objective of terrorism is symbolic, and the symbolic force of a terrorist attack is magnified when a target overreacts."

Lindley said any act of terrorism, from 9/11 to the Boston Marathon attack, "wakes people up," but not overreacting is crucial.

"It's of course prudent to take reasonable steps against terrorism, as with any national security threat," he said. "However, ... we have to put things in historical perspective and be confident

that the United States will survive almost any crisis."

Belanger said attacks on the twin towers did impact the way the United States "faced the enemy."

"For a time, there was this sense that with facing an enemy like this we have to take our gloves off and are going to have 'to go over to the dark side' like Cheney famously said," Belanger said.

Belanger said this notion undermined the legitimacy of the United States when it comes to human rights concerns.

"Certain methods used under the Bush administration made it harder for us to speak from a moral high ground as a country and made it harder for us to challenge human rights abuses in other places in the world," he said.

Belanger said when a country of the United States' prominence

violates its own standards, the nation becomes vulnerable.

"9/11 took us down some different paths," he said. "Some of the different methods we have used are in clear violation of human rights and that makes us vulnerable as a nation. I would not necessarily say this makes us vulnerable to foreign attack, but rather makes us vulnerable to losing our reputation as a nation with diplomatic good will."

Desch said he would advise a "keep calm and carry on" approach to terrorism.

"For us, terrorism has been a source of panic," he said. "The contrast between a sensible, reasoned assessment with prudent steps versus what we've done is quite striking."

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# Community Standards replaces Residential Life

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Students used to cringe at the thought of having to go to the Office of Residence Life, but the new school year has brought changes to the University's conduct system.

Members of the Office of Community Standards, which has replaced the Office of Residence Life, gathered in the LaFortune Student Center on Tuesday to discuss these adjustments to the disciplinary process.

Director of community standards Ryan Willerton said these changes are only to the process a student undergoes and not to the actual policies regarding student conduct.

Willerton said the motive for the new change was to create a disciplinary system that addresses the specific needs and offenses of individual students.

"We will look at every student as an individual," Willerton said. "We want to get to the heart of the matter and try to make a process that helps a student learn and grow."

University officials conducted a comprehensive review of student opinions about the conduct system and of standards at other leading universities. Willerton said this review highlighted the problems with the Residence Life system.

"After we compiled all this information, we noticed procedural inconsistencies," he said.

Sarah Senseman, director of constituent services for Student Government, explained how certain scenarios will play out under the new policy. She said if a student is intoxicated on campus, he or she will receive an individualized punishment.

"In the old system, students would have been referred to the



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Office of Residence Life along with the option of 20 hours of community service or a \$200 fine. Now, this [infraction] will result in a meeting with a rector, along with an outcome tailored to the specific student," Senseman said.

Another change is that the University will no longer report first-time offenses of this level to external groups or individuals, Senseman said.

Members of the Office of Community Standards also discussed the continuation of the Peer Advocacy Program, which allows students undergoing the conduct process to meet with a peer adviser.

Erin O'Brien, vice president of the Judicial Council for Peer Advocacy, said the Peer Advocacy Program enables students to better work with the system instead of against it. She said students can consult with these peer advocates before, during or after the conduct process.

O'Brien said the Peer Advocacy Program makes the disciplinary process less stressful for students.

"We want to ease anxiety that students may have about the conduct process," she said.

Willerton said the new system

is designed to create a campus community where behavior is characterized by proper respect for others.

"It's all about holistic development of our students. ... The standards of our community are really based on respect," he said.

There are only two circumstances under which a disciplinary case can be appealed, Willerton said.

"Only a procedural defect or a new form of information about a case can reopen it. ... One cannot file a new case based on the severity of the outcome," Willerton said.

Willerton said the new policies give rectors and resident assistants increased opportunities for mentorship and conversation with students.

"The rector knows you best and can figure out an outcome that will help you learn and keep the problem from happening again," Willerton said.

Many standards of conduct and the associated levels of disciplinary referral are available at [communitystandards.nd.edu](http://communitystandards.nd.edu)

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## Panelists

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about how the United States should approach the recent developments in the Middle Eastern nation.

Kaufman, associate professor of history and peace studies, said the situation in Syria involves not only internal turmoil, but also conflict with neighboring states.

"This conflict is beyond one circumscribed within the boundaries of Syria," Kaufman said. "It has become a regional issue, and this is how it needs to be understood."

Kaufman named several contributors to the regional nature of the Syrian conflict, including an influx of thousands of Islamists from neighboring countries and upheaval resulting from the internally displaced people and from the millions of refugees spreading beyond Syria's borders.

"The numbers are disturbing, mind-boggling — over two million refugees outside of the boundaries of Syria are in neighboring countries," Kaufman said. "The hosting countries need to provide them with basic needs — jobs, roofs over their heads — and in countries such as Lebanon, with an estimated 500,000 Syrian refugees and a native population of only four million, you can imagine the pressure on Lebanese resources to try and support these Syrian refugees."

In contrast to Kaufman's illustration of the regional conflict, O'Connell, a research professor of international dispute resolution and professor of law, focused on the need to uphold the integrity of international law in approaching a resolution for the Syrian conflict.

"The heart of the matter of this moment is the international legal norm against the use of chemical weapons," O'Connell said. "It is binding on Syria: Syria is a full sovereign party to the Geneva gas protocol of 1925."

Although she acknowledged Syria to be in clear violation of international norms against

chemical weapons, O'Connell stressed the importance of legitimizing further intervention in Syria by acting in strict accordance with the United Nations Charter.

"If we start saying legitimacy is something other than what is commensurate with international legality, we are weakening the very system of norms that have banned the use of military force," she said. "These principles, developed and reported on by a high-level [United Nations] panel, were brought together in the 2005 World Summit Outcome Document — to which the United States and every other member of the UN agreed — and it said that the Charter is sufficient to address the full range of threats to international peace and security."

While Kaufman and O'Connell discussed political frameworks for approaching the conflict in Syria, Desch, a professor of political science, evaluated possible military tactics the United States could employ in Syria and the political feasibility and consequences of these scenarios.

"Despite the relatively formidable Syrian military, the United States has lots of conceivable military options," Desch said. "From a purely objective military standpoint, military operations in Syria would be a cakewalk. We can do basically anything we want to do."

Despite a plethora of available tactics, ranging from ground interventions to airstrikes, Desch said the solution to the Syrian problem would have to remain largely political in nature.

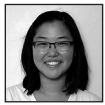
"The limiting factor in the administration's decision calculus is not so much the military factor, but rather, the political factor," he said. "Would any use of military force actually advance [American] political interest? My Clausewitzian assessment is that none of our military options will achieve any political objectives that we have."

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## INSIDE COLUMN

## Fast food king



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If you roll into the Chipotle on Eddy Street at 6 p.m. on a Thursday night, the line is probably about 20-people deep.

I generally don't do lines. I considered skipping this football season because the ticket line outside the JACC was absurd and it was 100 degrees out.

So a fast food line longer than five people sends me out the door empty handed because at any joint other than Chipotle, I have to stand in line behind customers who spend inordinate amounts of time deciding which version of Grade D meat they want.

It's 2013. I expected there would be some sort of "Minority Report"-style software that knows what food I want and has it ready before I even realize I'm hungry.

Chipotle gets it right in a couple of ways.

1. They make you think you're being healthy, eating organic beef from joyful cows that were spoon-fed Greek yogurt and acai berries at an ashram in India where they found inner peace and gleefully offered themselves up as sacrifice. And although the average meal probably has over 1,000 calories, you feel better about it than eating a Big Mac and fries.

2. They also expedite the ordering process, partly because their menu has, like, two items. It's a no-nonsense process. "Burrito or bowl? Rice? Beans? Meat? Salsa? Sour cream and cheese? The guac costs extra." There's no time to be indecisive — you just choose.

3. When you go to McDonald's, it never feels clean. Everything is linoleum, and don't even get me started on the play place. Chipotle, however, styled everything in sleek stainless steel. So even though it could be and probably is crawling with germs, it feels clean and sophisticated.

There are some fast food places that are headed in the right direction. Subway's ordering system is similar but is plagued with too many menu options and some sketchy-looking lettuce. Does anyone honestly order the Meatball sub? How does that big metal box make my sandwich crispy yet lukewarm in 25 seconds?

Taco Bell is great for those who have been drinking all night and want to drown their self-loathing in fake queso. I'm pretty sure the only way McDonald's has any customers is because their chicken nuggets are laced with some sort of highly-addictive, controlled substance.

Five Guys just looks sad. When I'm waiting on line at Chipotle, I like to look over at the empty Five Guys dining room and watch the somber-looking patrons munch on their free peanuts.

So, Chipotle, you have my heart and a nice chunk of my bank account. Please, never change.

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## Folding hands and holding hands

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Saturday's Day of Fasting and Prayer for Peace in Syria led by Pope Francis galvanized Catholics and non-Catholics to both pray and fast for peace. Concern for our neighbors in Syria has riveted hearts, minds and souls to the urgency of the need for violence to end. Our yearning for peace is so intense, we have felt it in our guts. Certainly, people living in war-torn areas need peace as much as they need food and water. It is a grace for us to be connected to them, spiritually in our prayer and physically in our fasting.

How we pray, in general, may illustrate just how our hearts stretch, in particular, for Syria. While there are many prayer styles and methods, two gestures are especially illustrative here: folding hands and holding hands.

As a little boy growing up in Catholic school in Philadelphia, I was taught to pray with my hands folded. Every Sunday, I remember watching my older brother Tommy returning from receiving communion, kneeling at our pew and bowing his head against folded hands in prayer. Idolizing him as if he were Jesus, I couldn't wait for my turn to be old enough to leave the pew and walk up the aisle for communion and then "be holy" like him. I never asked him what he was saying to God, but I knew I would eventually learn. Watching how seemingly holy my otherwise macho, rambunctious brother became made me think praying after communion was as important as receiving Jesus in the sacrament. To this day, I prefer to fold my hands when I pray.

While this is comfortable for me, I admit I frequently feel uncomfortable when I do it — especially when others around

me are reaching for my hands to hold. Whether at Mass or at a prayer service, folks reach out in gestures of communal prayer and community building to express our unity as we offer our prayer to our God. Unquestionably, this is a good custom and feels appropriate, as when praying the Lord's Prayer at Mass.

However, I confess I don't necessarily like it. I do think I am a warm person, enjoy liturgies with a strong sense of community and view the church from a model that places tremendous emphasis on the People of God. Yet, my instincts tell me to fold my hands, close my eyes and talk to God as I stand shoulder to shoulder with my sisters and brothers in community. Additionally, I don't mind fewer exposures to more germs just moments before placing food — albeit the Eucharist — in my mouth.

Embarrassed by the idiosyncrasy of all of this, I have begun to wonder if something deeper beckons me and shows a truth of the life of the disciple that is pretty obvious: Prayer is a balance between the personal and communal experiences. Very simply, we need to take time to pray by ourselves, whether we fold our hands or not, to develop a personal, intimate relationship with the God who creates and re-creates us through life in the Spirit.

Similarly, we are called to gather with others, exposing ourselves to their needs and desires, doubts and disappointments — even their germs — so we can grow more compassionate, grateful, and Christian. Perhaps we do need to be infected by others' spiritualities to come to develop our own more fully.

Our intercessory praying is a Christian act of care and charity for our neighbors in need. From those in our classes and dorms to our sisters and brothers unknown to us in Syria and Sudan, people

need us. Through prayer, we touch them when we lift them to God. When we touch others' hands in prayer, we are reminded we are not alone, for more people in prayer have greater strength to lift more people in need.

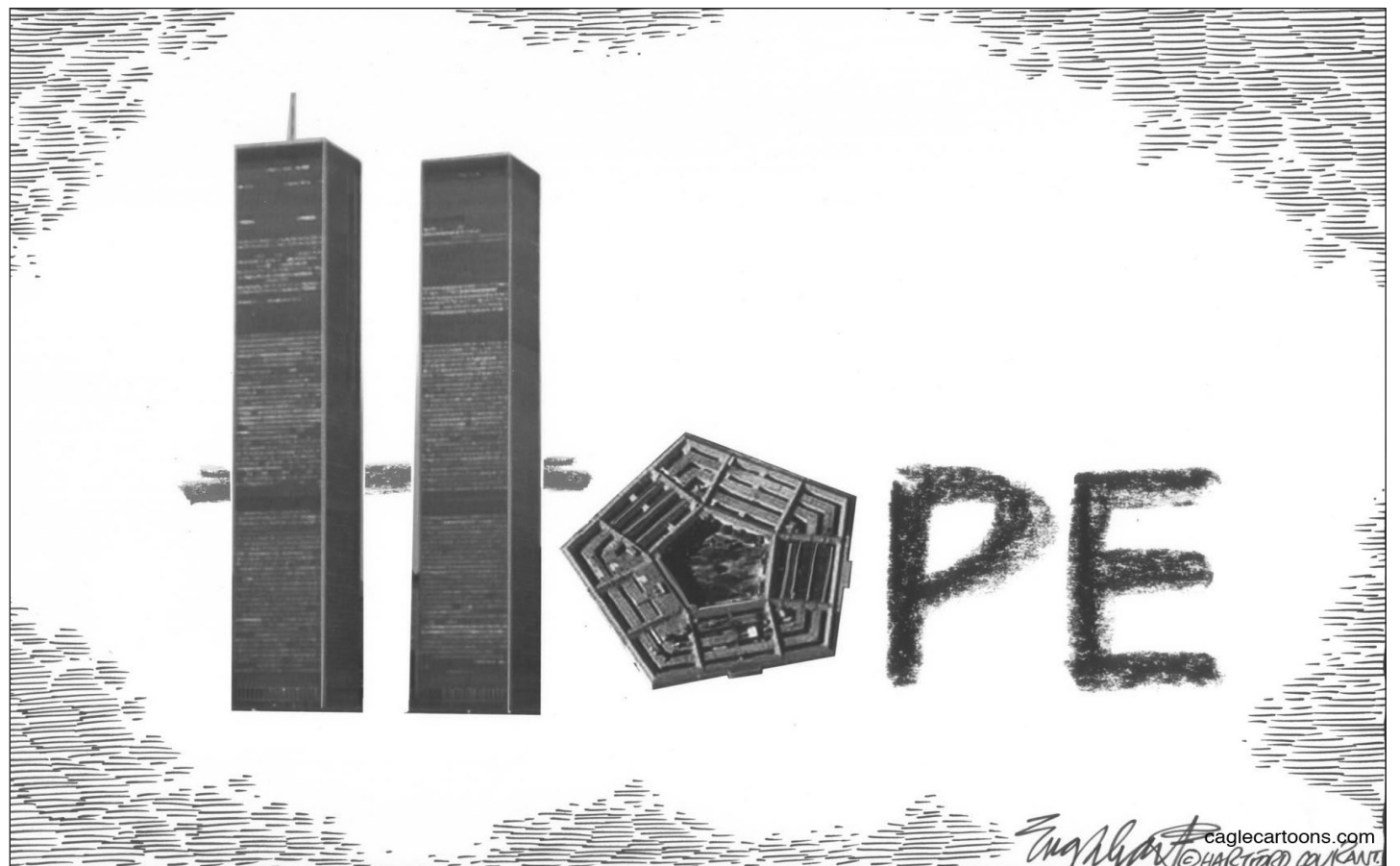
Indeed, Jesus told his disciples, when instructing them about prayer, to go to the quiet of the inner room, close the door and pray to the Father in secret (Matthew 6:6). Jesus also called his disciples to pray at the Last Supper and to share his Body and Blood and to serve each other, touching and washing feet, asking them — and us — to do this in memory of him.

Yes, prayer is a balance of the personal and communal outreach to God. We see our need to pray hard for our neighbors in Syria. Let us commit to this, each as a disciple of the Jesus Christ. And, let us gather with others, joining our hearts and hands to lift up our struggling sisters and brothers. By both folding our hands and holding others', we can touch the hearts of those most in need and feel the pulse of our loving God helping them through our loving prayers.

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# Striking down a bad argument

**Adam Newman**

Scientia Potentia Est

There are many Americans today who use a literal interpretation of the Bible to justify their beliefs on social issues, such as pre-marital sex, abortion and, most relevant to today's politics, gay marriage. The most relevant Bible passage is Leviticus 18:22: "Do not have sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman; that is detestable."

Passages such as the above has become the basis for why anti-gay marriage advocates believe it is immoral for two men or women to have sex or marry. However, a closer examination of their argument shows why it cannot even hold (holy) water.

The issue with a literal interpretation of the Bible is that the Bible endorses many other practices that we as a society have come to abhor.

For example, the Bible endorses slavery: "Slaves, obey your earthly masters with deep respect and fear. Serve them sincerely as you would serve Christ" (Ephesians 6:5), and, "Your male and female slaves are to come from the nations around you; from them you may buy slaves. You may also buy some of the temporary residents living among you and members of their clans born in your country, and they will become

your property" (Leviticus 25:44-5).

The Bible endorses the idea of a man's superiority over women: "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord," (Ephesians 5:22-33). The Bible also endorses how people should work: "On six days work may be done, but the seventh day shall be sacred to you as the Sabbath of complete rest to the Lord. Anyone who does work on that day shall be put to death" (Exodus 35:2).

As one can see, a literal interpretation of the Bible produces countless other lifestyles and procedures that as a society today we would find weird, immoral and evil.

The reason for opposition to certain social issues based on a literal interpretation of the Bible, however, is largely political. After the Roe v. Wade ruling in 1973, members of the modern conservative movement saw an opportunity to define themselves based on social issues, such as opposing abortion and gay rights. Social issues not only electrified the conservative base, but also stole away a large segment of conservative Democrats.

This strategy has proved effective, as the Republican party controlled the presidency the majority of terms since 1980 and was able to become more competitive in Congressional elections.

But if we are not to interpret the Bible literally, then how should we interpret it? One must realize that the Bible is a series of stories passed down from generation to generation over the course of centuries.

The writers of the Bible lived in very different times than we do today, when slavery, polygamy, etc., were acceptable practices. This is reflected in the Bible's content. One must look past the small details and dig deeper into the Bible by understanding the context it was written in and then examining the symbolism and main message the story works to convey.

Anyone who simply interprets the Bible literally will end up with a contradictory set of beliefs and not have as full an understanding of the main message the Bible conveys: God's unending and unquestionable love for his creation (including gay people).

This leads me back to the idea of literally interpreting the Bible and those who endorse it: Why don't you also vigorously advocate for other policies based on a literal interpretation of the Bible, like slavery and polygamy? Why don't you advocate to ban pre-marital sex? ("Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous" Hebrews 13:4.) Why don't you advocate for laws against people to get divorced, or

remarried? ("Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries a woman divorced from her husband commits adultery" Luke 16:18.)

The other question is that if people believe Leviticus 18:22 should be interpreted literally, then why shouldn't you also interpret Leviticus 20:13 literally? ("If a man lies with a man as one lies with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They must be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.")

Those who justify their opposition to gay marriage and other gay rights based on a literal interpretation of the Bible simply use the Bible as a shield to protect their misguided views against gay people.

Rather, the Bible should be interpreted using context for a greater understanding of God's love for his people.

But most importantly, we should realize that cherry-picking a specific verse out of the Bible to justify a policy position is wrong, especially when it is used to denigrate God's creation.

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# Entering the Shadow Lands

**Caleb Cobbin**

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I distinctly remember my first meeting with my RA in my freshman year. There was a good 15-minute diatribe about the dangers of South Bend and how Notre Dame is a bubble that is hard to break out of. My RA and others told horror stories of people getting mugged, beaten up or taken advantage of from the outsiders who reside away from our campus. As a South Bend "townie," I was particularly reminded of this iconic scene from The Lion King:

Mufasa: "Everything the light touches is our kingdom."

Simba: "Woow ... And what about that shadowy place?"

Mufasa: "That is beyond our borders. ... You must never go there, Simba!"

In this scene, it is like Mufasa is speaking to every single student here. For the next four years, I continued to hear this sentiment in the same countless "thriving metropolis" jokes and complaints about the bipolar weather, or in references to the abounding crime and sketchiness.

For the most part, these trivialities never provoked more than an eye roll or fake laugh from me. However, I was

overtaken with anger when a friend in my section called South Bend an explicit name and followed up his assessment with the comment that "the best part about South Bend was Notre Dame."

When I discuss the matter with my South Bend friends, we all seem to reach the same conclusions. Liz Everett, a fellow "townie" and senior on campus shed some insight on the issue: "The extent of knowledge for the average ND student of South Bend is Eddy Street and Grape Road and not much else."

The "story of South Bend" told from the very beginning of freshman year is sadly an incomplete one. How many students have been to a Silver Hawks game or the Potawatomi Park/Zoo? How many students have visited the art museum or seen a show at the Morris downtown, or gone kayaking in the East Race waterway or run on the many trails around the city?

Moreover, South Bend gives Notre Dame students a unique opportunity to serve in a way that would be harder on any other college campuses. The city need tutors, teachers, and willing and open minds.

How many students have ventured off campus to the Catholic Worker, which feeds and shelters the homeless

and many others, or volunteered at the Robinson Center — a place where I spent much of my time when I was younger, for tutoring and piano lessons? There are many other countless organizations that need servers to uplift the community, and there are many students on this campus that are willing to do so.

Michael Strock, another South Bender who was born and raised in the city, when asked to sum up the relationship between the two entities in one word replies, "Apprehensive; [Notre Dame students] are aware of the existence of South Bend but are cautious and ignorant when it come to the true spirit of the city."

I will be the first to recognize the drudgeries I experienced growing up. There were many times I said to my grandparents, "I'm bored," "there is nothing to do here" or "I can't wait to get out." I've complained countless times about the cold in the winter and the unbearable heat and humidity in the summer.

I also recognize that South Bend is not all sunshine and happiness and these bad things are a part of the reality. But there still remains something in this place that is not connected to the shimmer of the dome we adore.

There are residents of South Bend

whose extent of Notre Dame knowledge is merely the traffic on home football Saturdays and a University they would never have the hope to attend. To them, Notre Dame is nowhere near the best part of the city. There are people like me who had never thought of the university seriously until high school. Now, I am more thankful than ever for having grown up in both worlds.

I am not here to make out South Bend to be something that it's not. But like all stereotypes, while truth lies within them somewhere, they are often one-sided and incomplete, and no people or community deserves to be made into a mere perception of the truth.

I understand there are many students who successfully venture outside the bubble; I commend them. To those who haven't, I charge you to do so. Go into the shadow lands, make a mark in a community and surprise yourself! By working in the community, learning the countless stories of the good people here and understanding the history of this place, South Bend becomes less of an apprehension and more of a reality.

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# OOPS, I DID IT AGAIN: HOW TO AVOID YOUR EX ON CAMPUS

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Scene Writer

So you and your beau didn't make it to ring by spring.

Shocker.

Now that you don't have to worry about nailing the Basilica for the perfect fall wedding, the real worries have set in.

Obviously, the most terrifying possibility is this scenario: You stroll into the dining hall to enjoy a nice pasta stir-fry and the comic section of the newspaper when you suddenly lock eyes with your most recent failed romantic endeavor.

Cue the awkward smile and friendly nod, hiding hurt feelings and general animosity.

Why don't you forgo that encounter?

Enjoy your pasta in peace by following some tips that previously-burned lovers came up with and just happened to leave behind for other ex-stricken Domers looking for an escape route.

## PREVENTIVE MEASURES:

The first step to guaranteeing you will never see your ex relies on an extensive screening process. Be selective with your love interests and seek out some preliminary requirements before you fall head over heels.

### Location, location, location.

If possible, long distance is the way to go. Girl lives in California? You're golden. Boy studying abroad in Australia? Match made in heaven. In the case that Skype dates and care packages make you want to barf, there are some rules you should follow for on-campus dating:

Don't even think about dating someone in your brother or sister dorm.

Never date someone on the same quad.

Never date someone who eats at the same dining hall.

If your beloved isn't at least an eight-minute walk from you, ditch them.

### Strong foundation of apathy

Make sure you have absolutely nothing in common.

None of the same interests, none of the same activities, none of the same friends, none of the same political or religious views is our suggestion.

Not only will this strategy lead to a successful, healthy relationship, but it will also minimize the possibility that you will ever see each other after the inevitable breaking up.

## DEALING WITH THE AFTERMATH:

### Common interests

In the case that for some unknown reason you decided to date someone who had anything in common with you, follow these simple steps:

If you have the same class, drop the class.

If you have the same major, drop the major.

If you have the same interests, change your interests.

If you have the same friends, make new ones.

The key to your personal happiness is redefining your personality.

Uprooting your identity is a small price to pay to avoid your ex.

### Unexpected encounters

In the case that for some unknown reason you decided to date someone who ever visits campus, follow these simple steps:

Never go to the dining halls.

Never go to Reckers or LaFortune past 10 p.m.

Never go to the Library or CoMo.

Never go to O'Shag, Debart or any other academic building.

Never go to the Basilica.

Never walk through any quad.

The safest policy is to never leave your dorm or your room. The only exception being personal hygiene, and even that is optional. You should live off of Easy Mac, Keurig coffee and Netflix. Or retreat to a pineapple under the sea.

This shouldn't be too hard.

### The alternative to all this ridiculousness?

I might not have any idea about regular dating advice, but here's what to do if you want to continue enjoying your residential life: Deal with the possibility that you might see your ex.

Your pasta stir-fry will taste just as good.

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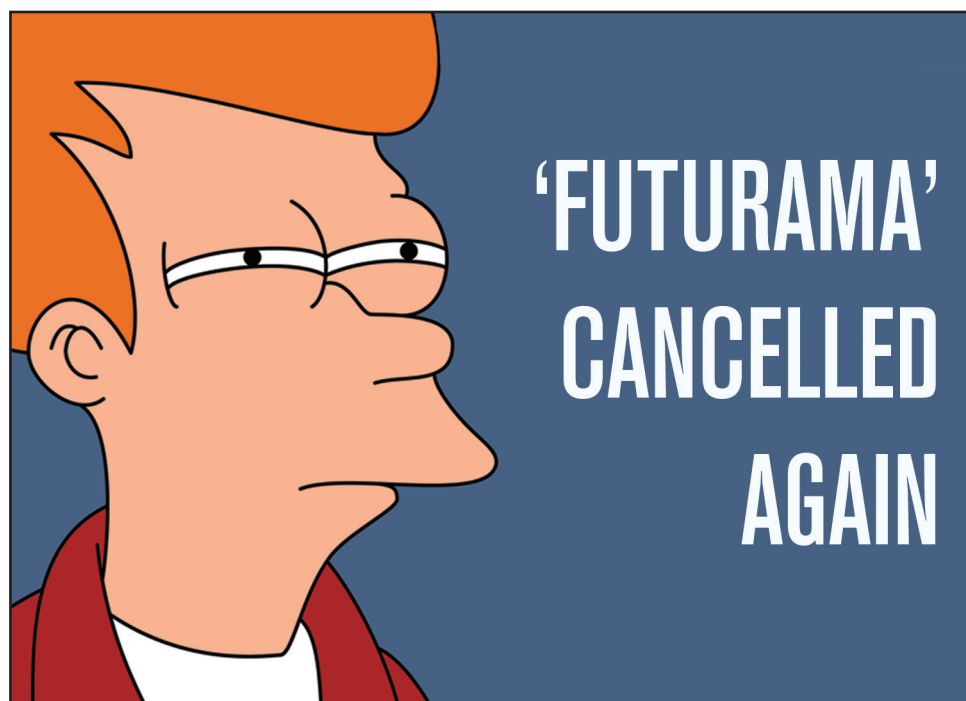
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By **WILL NEAL**  
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“Bad news, everyone!”

For the second time since its inception, the beloved sci-fi animated comedy, “Futurama,” has been cancelled.

While I’m sure most of you saw “Futurama” as just another ridiculous cartoon to overlook and let run its course, there are many out there (like myself) who have long-admired this show since its humble beginnings in 1999. But before a man named Matt Groening (The Great and Powerful) brought this show to life, there was another beloved series of his that paved the way for “Futurama.”

Back in the late 1980’s, Groening was an aspiring cartoon artist and animator with a fascination with the American family. After pitching some fun characters and snagging a spot on the “Tracy Ullman Show,” a primitive version of “The Simpsons” was born.

After gaining popularity with his “Simpsons” shorts and signing a deal with FOX, the iconic, dysfunctional and yellow family was reincarnated onto the small screen once more, and the rest is history.

Fast-forward to 1999, as Groening’s team is about to make history once more with another award-winning concept. “What I’ve done to the American family with ‘The Simpsons,’” says Groening, “we’re going to do to science fiction with ‘Futurama.’”

That year, the world was introduced to a pizza delivery boy with a go-nowhere life named Phillip J. Fry, who on New Years Eve is accidentally (or not?) cryogenically frozen until he’s awoken in the year 3000 and the “world of tomorrow.”

Exploring the city of “New” New York (Why new? Because aliens annihilated the Old New York, of course), Fry realizes his terrible life of the past is no more, and the world and new faces in front of him means a new start. Now, toss in a purple-haired and one-eyed beauty (Leela), an alcoholic and loud-mouthed robot (Bender), a 150-year-old mad scientist (Professor Farnsworth), a lobster/crab monster with a PhD (Dr. Zoidberg), a Jamaican bureaucrat (Hermes) and a ditsy intern (Amy) and you’ve got yourself an animated force to be reckoned with: The Planet Express team.

With Fry, Leela and Bender working for an intergalactic delivery company in order to fund Professor Farnsworth’s crazy inventions, there’s been a lot of fun to be had over these past 13 years.

We’ve seen news-reporting monsters (“Prepare to exchange pleasantries!”), hypnotic toads, robotic after-life, giant Amazonian women/feminists, fossilized canines, Zapp Brannigan (“You want the rest of the cham-paggin?”), Harlem Globetrotters, a lot of aliens, plenty of time-traveling, a load of celebrities (well, the heads of celebrities) and Richard Nixon’s rise to becoming president of Earth.

But while there has always been a focus on comedic, out-of-control antics and storylines from the Fry and the gang, it’s the show’s intelligence, wit and heart that have really made “Futurama” the beloved animated series it’s become. The science is factual (mostly), the jokes are memorable and at the core of the show is the romance between Fry and Leela — the first continuous romantic arc on an animated series.

It’s surprising and refreshing to find a cartoon that has the ability to be so deep. Episodes such as “Godfellas” have explored God, religion and the meaning of life, while storylines such as “Luck of the Fryish” and “The Sting” has shown audiences that the love of a family or the love between soul mates knows no bounds of time or space. Fans could agree that “Futurama” was something truly special.

In 2003, however, the show was cancelled on FOX, but the Planet Express team managed continued to live on with a series of new DVD releases.

After the success of these extended episodes, Comedy Central revived the series for another four seasons in 2008. While the new seasons featured several lack-luster plotlines, fans were joyous to see the return of their favorite interstellar travelers. Plus, four seasons after a five-year cancellation is nothing to shrug off. It stands as proof that these are characters that not only still keep audiences laughing, but also characters we still care for.

Thankfully, the series ended with “Meanwhile ...,” an episode that tied up the loose ends of Fry and Leela’s romance in a beautiful way. While “Futurama” faces another cancellation, there’s still a crossover with “The Simpsons” planned for next year. And who knows? Maybe another network will give this dysfunctional sci-fi crew another shot. Until then, let’s remember “Futurama” for what it was: a show with humor, heart, mind and a never-ending strive to reach for the stars.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

# Old traditions can be made new again



Jack Hefferon  
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It is said that Alexander the Great cried when he looked upon his kingdoms, realizing that he had no more lands left to conquer.

Fast forward 2,300 years, and many who control sports in the modern era have the same imperial ambitions. Rather than content themselves with regional or national dominance, commissioners and owners are unable to rest on their laurels, constantly chasing the horizon.

Over the last decade, we've seen Roger Goodell and the NFL fall into this trap, as one game has taken place at Wembley Stadium in London each year since 2007. The league will double down with two games at Wembley this season, the second of which will involve the Jacksonville Jaguars. That game will be the first of four annual trips to London for the Jaguars, who couldn't draw a crowd if One Direction opened for them.

The annual game of "American football" abroad has been a logistical nightmare for the teams involved, and has yet to gain much traction in Europe.

But that has nothing on FIFA, which is attempting to take its biggest showcase into a soccer desert — and a literal desert as well. FIFA's members voted to take the 2022 World Cup to Qatar, in spite of a report by FIFA itself that named Qatar as a "high risk" host. Qatar is the size of Connecticut, and temperatures can hit 130 degrees during the summer months, obstacles that seemed to be overlooked through semi-legal bribery.

Qatar's delegation has promised new technologies to cool stadiums, as well as hologram technology that can broadcast the game, live, into

other stadiums around the world. (If that actually pans out, then my guess is the 2026 World Cup is hosted by the moon.)

I'm no consulting major, nor did I have the stones to talk to any consulting firms at the Career Fair last night. But from an outsider's perspective, it's easy to advise both the NFL and FIFA: You're two of the world's most powerful organizations. You have huge, continental footprints. Stick to your roots.

That's why it was so refreshing to see the International Olympic Committee get one right this week, as they spurned newer, more exotic sports in order to keep wrestling in the Olympics. Wrestling, which has been around the Olympics since 400 years before Alexander the Great, squashed baseball, softball and, well, squash to remain a staple of the Games, with the mandate of changing its rules to be more fast-paced and entertaining.

Bringing back old traditions can be lucrative for sports industries, generating something "new" from something that's been around as long as the sport itself. The NHL has proved this by harkening back to the days of pond hockey with their Winter Classic showcases, and the NFL is doing the same by sending the Super Bowl to New York this year, ensuring that football's premier game will be played in classic football weather.

Too often leagues have channeled their inner Barney Stinson, blindly following the mantra that "newer is always better."

They need to learn that what is old can be made new again.

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ASSOCIATED PRESS

# The veteran Texans battle back to shock Chargers

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Even when the Houston Texans fell behind by three touchdowns on the road in the second half of their season opener, Matt Schaub and Andre Johnson remained confident they could roar right back.

Sure, the San Diego Chargers were off to a solid start for their new coach.

The veteran Texans know how to finish.

Randy Bullock kicked a 41-yard field goal as time expired, and Houston rallied from a 21-point deficit in the second half for a 31-28 victory over the Chargers on Monday night.

"Once you put a score on the board, then another, and the defense gets a stop, the big turnover, it just builds," said Schaub, who bounced back from an interception on Houston's first play to pass for 346 yards. "Momentum keeps building, and you can feel that energy, and it's contagious."

Brian Cushing returned an interception 18 yards for the tying touchdown with 9:30 to play for the Texans, who erased a 28-7 deficit late in the third quarter to spoil the debut of Chargers coach Mike McCoy.

After two straight division titles and playoff trips, the Texans have ample experience in handling trouble together. Schaub provided steady leadership, and their vaunted defense held San Diego to 90 yards — just seven on the ground — in the second half.

"There was no doubt in my mind that we were going to win that game," said Johnson, who had 12 catches for 146 yards. "Even in the third quarter, we

didn't come out playing that great, but we got it together and made it happen."

While the Chargers showed promise, the Texans began a season of Super Bowl aspirations with a gritty comeback befitting a defending two-time AFC South champion club that got off to an 11-1 start last season.

Schaub recovered from that tipped interception on the first play to throw three TD passes — two to tight end Owen Daniels — in the final game of the NFL's opening weekend.

Philip Rivers threw four touchdown passes in a tantalizing start for the Chargers under McCoy, the offensive guru hired to revitalize a stagnant franchise. San Diego led 7-0 just 15 seconds in with a TD pass in its first play.

But Houston's veteran toughness took over: The Texans' powerful defense shut out San Diego over the final 25 minutes, and Schaub engineered the final 36-yard drive to set up Bullock, who coolly nailed his first NFL field goal.

"I expected us to be in a dogfight," Houston coach Gary Kubiak said. "I'm disappointed with the way we played early, but we did not give up. ... We were mature enough to hang in there and get the win, so we have to be mature enough to know that we didn't play very well."

San Diego's fans got a taste of McCoy's inventive offense — and they got an agonizing reminder of last season under fired coach Norv Turner, when the Chargers blew five halftime leads. In last year's lowlight, San Diego blew a 24-0 halftime lead in its last Monday night game

against McCoy's Broncos last October.

"You lose this way, and it stings a little more," Rivers said. "It's disappointing we didn't finish the game, because we had control. You've got to play all four quarters."

Ryan Mathews caught a 14-yard TD pass on San Diego's first snap, while Eddie Royal made two TD catches and Vincent Brown had another for the Chargers during an auspicious start in the first three quarters for McCoy.

"The effort was there," McCoy said. "They did a nice job. We just didn't finish it. It comes down to not finishing a football game."

Cushing came up big in his first game since missing most of last season with a knee injury and then signing a six-year, \$55.6 million extension last week. Rivers' under-pressure throw was snagged by Cushing, who got up from his diving catch and rumbled into the end zone.

Schaub finally got the Texans in position for Bullock, a fifth-round draft pick last year who missed all of his first season with a groin injury.

The former Lou Groza Award winner at Texas A&M didn't miss, celebrating the kick with his new teammates and a vocal bunch of red-jerseyed fans who took over the sections behind Houston's bench.

Schaub's first pass was tipped into the air by Jarret Johnson, and 330-pound defensive tackle Cam Thomas gathered it in. The San Diego crowd was still cheering when Rivers threw down the Houston sideline to Mathews, who dived in for a score.

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## SMC VOLLEYBALL

# Belles look to continue win streak



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Belles junior outside hitter Kati Schneider prepares to spike the ball during Saint Mary's 3-1 win against Albion on Friday. Schneider posted 105 kills so far this weekend.

By SAMANTHA ZUBA  
Sports Writer

After back-to-back conference wins this weekend, the Belles attempt to continue their streak against Olivet today at 7 p.m. in Olivet, Mich.

Saint Mary's (3-4, 2-1 MIAA) defeated Albion 3-1 on Friday and Alma 3-1 on Saturday to win their first conference matches of the season.

Olivet (2-6, 1-2 MIAA) had a tough in-conference schedule last weekend. The Comets lost 3-0 to both No. 2 Calvin on Friday and No. 5 Hope on Saturday. Belles coach Toni Elyea said playing ranked opponents is a good competitive opportunity.

"Olivet had some great competition playing the

top-ranked teams last week," Elyea said.

Elyea said Olivet sports some strong senior talent. Comets senior outside hitter Tina Westendorp leads Olivet with 65 kills through eight matches and averages 2.03 kills per set.

Senior right side hitter Stefanie Lang has spiked 45 kills and anchors the Comets' defense at the net with her blocking ability.

"We know they will be strong at the net, as their numbers indicate that they have been blocking well," Elyea said. "We know that is a strength of [Lang's] on the right side, so our outsides will have to read the block and defense well in order to put points on the board."

Olivet blocks an average of 2.02 hits per set, compared to 1.2 blocks per set for the Belles.

Belles hitters pack some punch to challenge the Comets' blocking, however. Junior outside hitter Kati Schneider cruised past 100 kills when she recorded 16 against Alma (3-4, 0-3 MIAA). Schneider has crushed 105 kills on the season. Sophomore outside hitter Katie Hecklinski and junior middle hitter Melanie Kuczek round out the Belles' top three offensive players with 69 and 60 hits, respectively.

Kuczek also leads the Belles with six single blocks and 15 assists.

Elyea said the most important focus for Saint Mary's right now is improving every day in the gym. Elyea stressed the importance of both individual and team work ethic.

"We have been working very hard on what we need to do in order to be the best team we can be," Elyea said. "Our Belles come into the gym every day with the intention to get better as individuals, so we can grow into the best team we can possibly be."

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## ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Sanders looks toward strong senior season

By KATIE HEIT  
Sports Writer

In her Notre Dame career, senior Britney Sanders has gone from an inconsistent freshman to a junior in the No. 1 singles spot. Now, Sanders is looking toward the opportunity to leave a lasting legacy on her teammates and her program in her final season with the Irish.

"I want to be remembered as someone who worked hard every practice and fought for every match," Sanders said. "I want to be a good role model for my teammates."

Sanders may not be too far from her goal. Last season, Sanders was named the Big East Player of the Year, an honor she said was her proudest moment at Notre Dame.

After a disappointing freshman season during which she didn't see the court often, Sanders claimed the No. 4 singles spot as a sophomore and completed her climb to the top by taking the No. 1 singles spot for the majority of her junior season.

Fellow senior Julie Sabacinski, who has played with Sanders since both girls were 15 years old, said she has seen Sanders grow tremendously as a player throughout college play.

"She's become much more

***"I want to be remembered as someone who worked hard every practice and fought for every match."***

Britney Sanders  
Irish senior

consistent compared to freshman year," Sabacinski said of Sanders. "[Irish coach Jay Louderback] has done a great job working with her on her consistency. She's staying focused through the entire match and giving her all in every play."

Sabacinski said Sanders has become a strong role model for the entire squad.

"She's definitely taken on a

leadership role," Sabacinski said. "She works hard every time she hits the court and the other girls notice that."

Sanders said her development into a team leader resulted from her on-court experience and status as one of the team's veteran players.

"Seniors are always the role models of the team," Sanders said. "I do my best to set good examples and push my teammates to be better than they were the day before."

Sabacinski said she believes Sanders may have a future in the tennis world after her college career ends.

"She has definitely matured as a person and a player," Sabacinski said. "I definitely think she has a future in tennis."

In the meantime, Sanders said she values being part of the Notre Dame team for one last season.

"My teammates are so awesome and so special to me," Sanders said. "We have become a family."

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Irish senior Britney Sanders follows through on a backhand in Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to Purdue at the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Feb. 15.

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## Bandy

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threw himself into it and that takes a lot of belief.”

Bandy agreed that the adjustment he made was mostly mental.

“The biggest thing was maintaining focus in matches,” Bandy said. “I worked on not letting a [lost] point here or there get to me and keeping calm on the court. As I did that, I matured as a player and that led to me making that jump.”

Sachire said he is looking to Bandy not only to play well, but also to pass on those lessons of maturity to the team’s younger players this season.

“It’s not just that he has seniority,” Sachire said. “He’s had a lot of success on a high level. We want Ryan to continue to develop but also to be a mentor to the team in the locker room and show them what its mindset needs to be.”

Another lesson Bandy can share is success off the court. A three-time Big East Academic All-Star and a management consulting

major, Bandy has also excelled in the classroom.

“It’s a matter of motivation and where you want to go,” Bandy said. “You have four years of college tennis, but then after that, what are you going to do? You need a good education, so now you have to be efficient and productive. Sometimes, you may not be able to do all the stuff you want to do, but you have to keep your priorities straight.”

Bandy’s sacrifices have paid off, as he will return to his hometown of Cincinnati to work in banking after he graduates.

But for now, he said his focus remains on the upcoming season.

“We’d love for him to take another step and really lead the team,” Sachire said. “He’s playing the best tennis at the end of his career, and we’d love for him to keep progressing and make a big jump.”

The Irish kick off their fall schedule Friday at the Olympia Fields Country Club Invitational in Olympia Fields, Ill.

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*Irish senior Ryan Bandy serves during Notre Dame’s 6-1 victory over SMU at the Eck Tennis Pavilion on April 5. Bandy and the Irish begin play Friday at the Olympia Fields Country Club Invitational.*

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## MLB

# Yankees top Orioles

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Alfonso Soriano hit two home runs, including a tiebreaking shot in the eighth inning, and the New York Yankees rallied past the Baltimore Orioles 7-5 Tuesday night to end a six-game losing streak at Camden Yards.

Mark Reynolds also homered for the Yankees, who won for the second time in six games to bolster their postseason hopes. New York still trails Tampa Bay, Baltimore and Cleveland in the hunt for the final AL wild-card slot.

Chris Davis hit his major league-leading 49th home run for the Orioles and raised his RBI total to 126. Baltimore led 4-1 in the fifth inning before faltering.

Soriano and Reynolds launched the comeback with solo homers in the sixth off Baltimore starter Miguel Gonzalez.

Alex Rodriguez led off the eighth with a double against rookie Kevin Gausman (2-5) and Robinson Cano delivered an RBI single. Soriano followed with a two-run shot to center, his 15th homer in 43 games since New York reacquired him in a July 26 trade with the Chicago Cubs. Successive doubles by Curtis Granderson and Reynolds off Francisco Rodriguez made it 7-4.

Adam Warren (2-2) pitched a perfect seventh, Shawn Kelley gave up a sacrifice fly to Matt Wieters in the eighth and Mariano Rivera got four straight outs for his 650th career save.



## Football

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“regional rivalry” and ended with the Chicken Dance, the Irish travel to Purdue to take on the in-state Boilermakers.

Kelly, who last week waffled on whether Michigan was a rival or not, wasted no time in calling the Boilermakers (1-1) rivals.

“I think any time that you’re playing a team in-state, there’s certainly a recognition of that as a rivalry game,” he said.

Kelly did, however, say the Irish were more focused on themselves than Purdue after a “stinging loss” to Michigan.

“Purdue’s going to be ready for Notre Dame,” he said. “We have no doubt about that and we respect our opponent. But, look, we’ve got to put blinders on and we’ve got to focus on ourselves. We’re not a finished product. We’ve got some work to do.”

The Irish have played Purdue 84 times and have beaten the Boilermakers five consecutive times.

“I don’t want to minimize the fact that we’re playing Purdue, because I think that we clearly understand who they are as a Big Ten opponent, somebody within our state, and the natural rivalry because we’ve played so much,” he said.

### Zaire still not cleared

Freshman quarterback Malik Zaire has still not been cleared for contact, Kelly said.

Zaire, who was suffering from mononucleosis, has been held out of the last two games.

Senior receiver Luke Massa will serve as the emergency third-string quarterback until Zaire returns.

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*Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees throws a pass during Notre Dame's 41-30 loss against Michigan on Saturday. Rees finished 29-for-51 for 314 yards during the game.*



Observer File Photo

*Irish senior forward Leon Brown looks upfield through the rain during Notre Dame's 7-1 victory over Pitt on Oct. 3. Brown only scored one goal in the 2012 season.*

## Brown

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Although Brown scored just one goal in the 2012 season, the forward has been helping the Irish for some time, Clark said.

“I think the only game he missed last year was the final of the Big East [Championship], and that was because he was injured,” Clark said. “So he maybe didn’t score as many [goals], but he was a major, major player last year also.”

Brown, who spent six weeks of the summer studying abroad in the Notre Dame London program, said he made some adjustments to his game over the summer after playing informally with his cousin, who lives in London.

“It was a new experience, which helped kind of change my mind-set positionally,” Brown said. “And coming back, playing with the guys here, you really get into a

groove before the season. I’m just really hungry to get something done this year.”

Brown, who is a marketing major, took classes in marketing and the history of the British Empire during his time in England. He said he enjoyed the opportunity to soak in the fanaticism that surrounds soccer in Europe.

“I took a weekend trip to Barcelona, and it was just amazing there,” Brown said. “The way that they love their FC Barcelona, their main team, is pretty crazy. If we had that [support] in America, [soccer] would be a lot more fun.”

Brown also said he enjoys watching international footballers and studying their play. He listed French international and current New York Red Bulls forward Thierry Henry and Barcelona forward Lionel Messi among his favorites.

“Hopefully I can see him play with the Red Bulls

sometime,” Brown said of Henry, who he described as “clinical.” “That’d be a dream of mine, to see him play in person.”

But right now, Brown hopes he’s created a few more soccer fans.

“I made a lot of new friends [in the London program], a lot of people that I probably would not have known,” Brown said. “I got some people to come to the game [against UNC]. Hopefully they’ll come back for some more games.”

Brown’s teammates and coaches certainly hope he’ll create a few more highlights for Irish fans.

“I think it’s exciting that he’s playing well, and I just hope that this continues right through,” Clark said. “And I’m sure it will, I’m confident Leon’s going to have a good senior year.”

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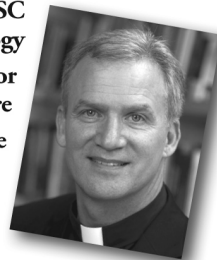
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PUZZLE BY ERIK WENNSTROM

- 29 Rte. with a terminus in Key West, Fla.

30 Natural table

32 A-listers

33 Slim to \_\_\_\_ (poor odds)

35 “Mickey” vocalist \_\_\_\_ Basil

36 Empty, as a math set
- 37 Eyelid woe

43 Part of a dental visit

45 Act parts

47 Nine, in baseball

48 Wish evil on

49 Farm sounds

50 Hughes’s Spruce Goose, e.g.

51 One with seniority
- 53 Olympic skater Michelle

54 Hippie’s “Got it!”

55 Friendship org. of 1962

56 Phil who sang “Draft Dodger Rag”

57 Word from the hard-of-hearing

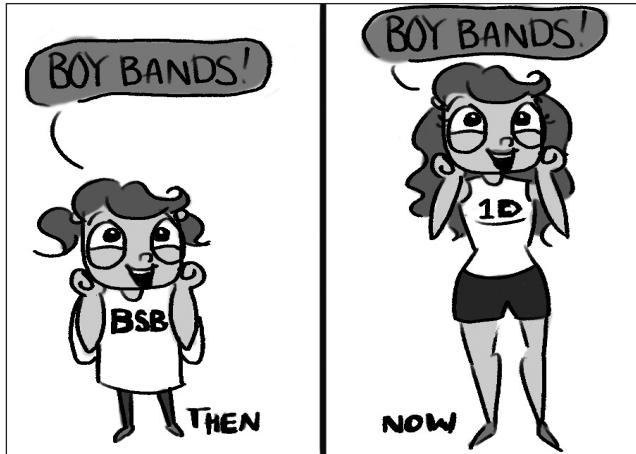
60 QB Manning

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SOLUTION TO MONDAY’S PUZZLE 9/11/12

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Ryan Phillippe, 39; Colin Firth, 53; Amy Irving, 60; Joe Perry, 63.

**Happy Birthday:** You have more options than you realize. Expand your interests and take on extra responsibilities that will allow you to add to your resume. Look at the big picture and don't be afraid to express your ideas and to offer your expertise. Establish your position aggressively, pursue your goals, and work diligently to stabilize your personal, financial and professional future. Your numbers are 4, 11, 15, 26, 34, 40, 47.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** What you want and what you need are not the same. Don't allow anyone to guilt you into spending to prove your love or dedication. Speak up for your rights and begin making travel plans. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Love problems are likely to arise due to a situation being blown out of proportion. If someone begins to overreact, you are best to lay out the facts in a diplomatic manner and carry on with your day. Avoid hasty decisions and arguments. ★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Home, friends and socializing will all lead to an interesting revelation regarding someone you find inspiring. A work relationship based on a creative connection will bring about a chance to try something new. Love and romance will bring you happiness. ★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Say less and do more. You may be torn between what someone wants and what you can afford to do. Put greater emphasis on bringing a unique and interesting alternative to an opportunity that can alter your life or a friendship. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** An emotional challenge must not be allowed to take over. Call in favors or schedule your time so that you can take care of situations as they arise. Don't leave anything to chance. Use your imagination and skills to find solutions. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Check in with people you have worked with in the past. A new development will create an opportunity that interests you. Partnerships formed now will be unique. Get what's being offered in writing. Security should be your first concern. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Welcome change and turn each new adventure into an interesting prospect. Mix and match the past and present plans to come up with the perfect set of circumstances. Don't fold under pressure or give away too much. Equality should be your goal. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Be receptive to different philosophies and ways of doing things. Your ability to mix the old with the new, coupled with your uniqueness and vivid imagination to offer something special, will be well received. ★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** The information you pick up while participating in a cause will help you meet people willing to include you in a money-making plan. Your financial intake, as well as your living conditions, can improve. ★★★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't take on any personal debt or meddle in emotional situations that can cost you a good friendship. Listen, but don't voice your opinion or take sides. You would be wise to mind your own business and focus on your responsibilities. ★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** A change in the way you earn your living or what you learn that will ensure a bright future is apparent. Believe in your ability to excel at whatever task you are given and you will make a noteworthy impression. ★★★★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You will pick up unusual ideas if you get involved in functions related to work or a plan you want to pursue. You will find a solution to a financial slowdown that will get you back in the game. ★★★

**Birthday Baby:** You are compassionate, courageous and insightful. You strive for peace and equality.

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**JUMBLE**

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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WHEN LITTLE RAYMOND ROMANO WAS BORN ON 12-21-57, EVERYBODY —

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Yesterday's Jumbles: PRIZE TIGHT DOOMED FUMBLE  
Answer: He acted his worst, after his opponent got the — BETTER OF HIM

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## FOOTBALL

## Balancing act

*Irish coach Brian Kelly defends his strategy against Michigan*

By **MATTHEW DeFRANKS**  
Assistant Managing Editor

It appears No. 21 Notre Dame was thinking outside of the box during its 41-30 loss to No. 11 Michigan on Saturday night.

When the Wolverines (2-0) loaded the box with eight men, the Irish (1-1) opted to throw over the defense instead of rushing the ball. Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees threw the ball 51 times while Notre Dame only ran the ball 19 times.

During his weekly press conference Tuesday, Irish coach Brian Kelly defended the strategy Notre Dame used Saturday.

"If the box is plus-one and plus-two, there's not much of a running game," he said. "And then we got behind. We were down two scores. We had to speed the game up and throw the football."

Rees finished 29-for-51 for 314 yards with two touchdowns and

two interceptions. The Irish ran for just 96 yards.

"Look, I want balance just like everybody else in America wants balance," Kelly said. "But look, we have to throw the ball effectively when we are called upon to throw the ball and we have to run the ball effectively when we are called upon to run effectively."

Kelly said if teams continue to stack the box to stop the stable Irish running backs, he will call on Rees to beat them.

"I would welcome it every single week," he said. "I'm very confident that if you want to play us that way, we're going to beat you, and that's just fine with me."

"I have absolutely no question in my mind that if you want to play us that way, with Tommy Rees, you will pay for it."

**Another rivalry?**

After a week that started with

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*Irish coach Brian Kelly speaks at a press conference following Notre Dame's 41-30 loss to Michigan on Saturday. In his weekly press conference Tuesday, Kelly defended his play calls during the game.*

## MEN'S SOCCER

## Brown leads Irish offense

By **VICKY JACOBSEN**  
Sports Writer

The three goals scored by No. 4 Notre Dame so far this season have all had something in common: Each goal was struck by senior forward Leon Brown.

The Mattapan, Mass., product has scored three goals in three games for the Irish (1-0-2, 0-0-1 ACC), including the equalizer in the 79th minute of Notre Dame's 1-1 home draw with then-No. 1 North Carolina on Sunday. "I just feel like I had a lot to prove," Brown said. "I didn't really have a lot of goals last year, so I wanted to make sure to help the team as much as I can."

"Being a forward, scoring goals is what you have to do, so I think my mentality is just doing whatever I can to help the team."

Irish coach Bobby Clark said he's pleased that his striker is playing so well in every facet of the game. "He's connecting passes, he's combining with other players," Clark said of Brown. "He's looking very sharp, very alert."



Observer File Photo

*Irish senior forward Leon Brown heads the ball during Notre Dame's 3-1 victory over Akron on Sept. 9, 2012.*

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## MEN'S TENNIS

## Bandy enters final season confident

By **GREG HADLEY**  
Sports Writer

When the Irish played Louisville in the Big East Championship in April, senior Ryan Bandy was one of the key players who pushed the team to a 4-0 sweep over the Cardinals and to the conference crown.

Bandy won his doubles match with former Irish player Spencer Talmadge and then came back to take his singles match as well. For the Cincinnati native, the Big East title was the culmination of a season that saw him turn the corner and start consistently for the Irish.

Now, Bandy wants to continue that success and become a leader for the Irish on and off the court.

"I want to come out and work hard every day, that's the most important thing," Bandy said. "We have a great group of guys who have a chance to do something special, and I want to go out there and make the team better. Short term, I want to improve myself, but long term, you want to the team to go deep in

the NCAA [Championship], in the ACC Tournament. It's exciting."

Bandy, however, wasn't always a leader for Notre Dame. In his freshman and sophomore seasons, Bandy rarely played as one of the top six singles and was almost never included in the team's doubles matches.

It wasn't until the spring of his junior year that Bandy became a consistent starter for both singles and doubles. Last season, Bandy compiled an 8-4 record in singles matches and an 11-8 record in doubles.

Irish coach Ryan Sachire said the change in Bandy was mostly mental.

"He's done an extraordinary job of developing his physical strength," Sachire said of Bandy. "But, no question Ryan's biggest development is in his self-belief and self-confidence. His freshman year, there were some doubts in his mind whether or not he could make an impact at this level. Something clicked last fall, and he really

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