

## Cushwa Center announces research grant

*Program for visiting scholars aims to encourage study of Fr. Hesburgh's life, writings in ND archives*

By **SELENA PONIO**  
News Writer

The Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism recently launched the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C. Research Travel Grant Program, a grant open to anyone in any academic discipline with the goal of supporting research that promotes the legacy of Father Hesburgh.

Kathleen Sprows Cummings, director of the Cushwa Center, said the grant aims to allow researchers not only to incorporate Father Hesburgh's legacy in their studies, but also to learn more about Notre Dame.

"[Recipients] can be researchers looking on a variety of topics," Cummings said. "You don't have to write on the history of Notre Dame or Catholicism, or Catholic higher education. Father Hesburgh was involved in much more aspects of the 20th

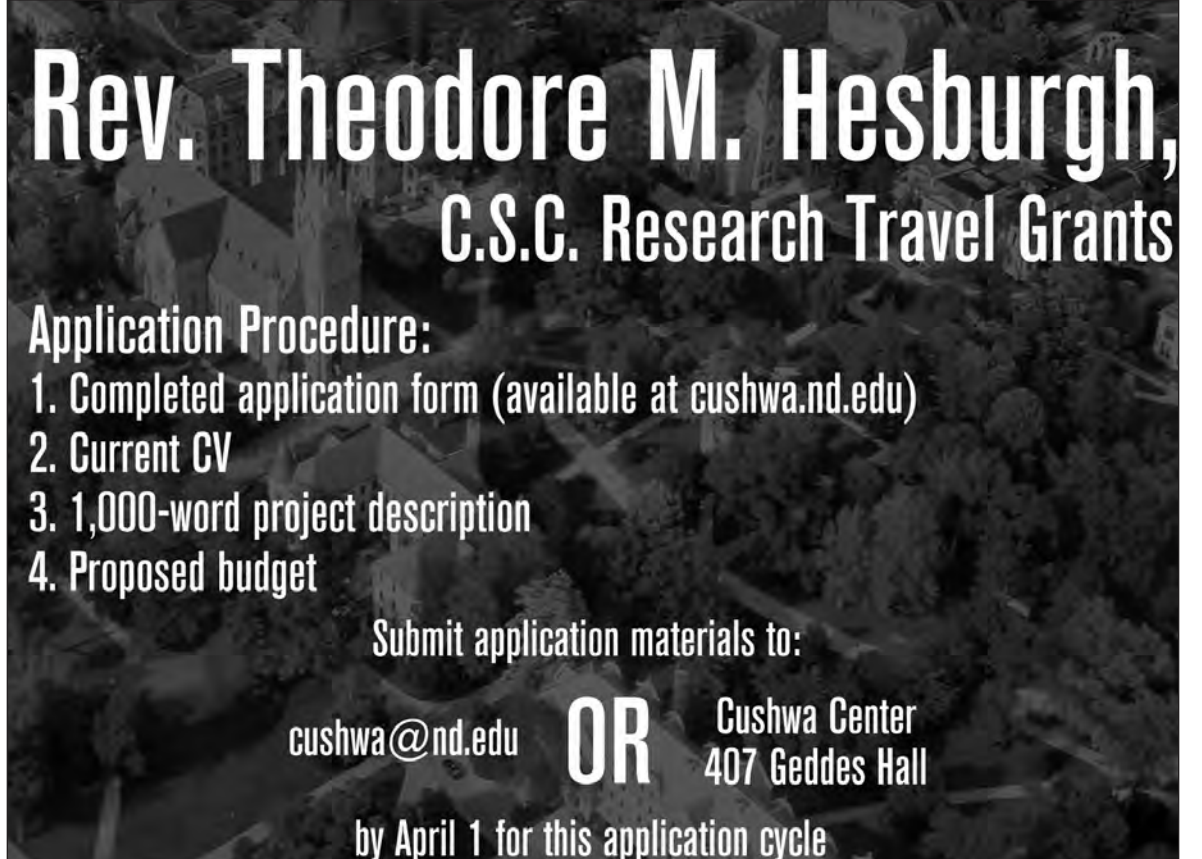
century and in that nature we welcome all disciplines."

According to the Cushwa Center's website, part of the application process includes listing specific examples of how collections or papers related to Hesburgh at the University Archives relate to the applicant's project.

"It'll just advertise nationally the resources we have here in the University archives. We have a wonderful archive that is a repository for all these elements," Cummings said.

Cummings also said she believes any time grants are offered for research and travel, it acts as a catalyst for academic progress. She said this specific grant is unique because it allows students the opportunity to study Father Hesburgh's papers in particular. Cummings said she also hopes this grant allows

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**Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh,  
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## Pope appoints CSC priest

Observer Staff Report

Fr. Joseph Corpora will be one of 800 priests selected by Pope Francis to be a Missionary of Mercy, the University announced in a press release Thursday morning.

"The Missionaries are some 800 priests worldwide selected by the pope to be special confessors and 'living signs' of God's forgiveness during the Holy Year of

Mercy officially proclaimed in his letter, Misericordiae Vultus (The Face of Mercy), last year," the release stat-

**Fr. Joseph Corpora**  
director of University-School  
Partnerships  
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ed. "Father Corpora will be among those traveling

to Rome to meet with Pope Francis and to be commissioned on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10) in a celebration at St. Peter's Basilica."

Corpora serves as the director of university-school partnerships for Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) and a priest-in residence in Dillon Hall as well as the a Campus Ministry chaplain to Latino

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## Professors use Fitbits in study

By **AIDAN LEWIS**  
News Writer

Fitbits, the activity tracking wristbands, have become a popular identifying feature of Notre Dame freshmen this year. Five hundred Fitbit-wearing freshmen are participating in a study called NetHealth, which aims to explore the

relationship between social networks and health.

Notre Dame sociologists David Hachen and Omar Lizardo, in conjunction with University computer scientists Aaron Striegel and Christian Poellabauer, are conducting the study. Hachen said the National

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## Drones, hoverboards banned on SMC campus

By **NICOLE CARATAS**  
News Writer

Following many college and universities across America, the Saint Mary's administration made the decision to add drones and electronic self-balancing skateboards known as "hoverboards" to the list of prohibited items on campus.

A drone is a remote-controlled, pilotless aircraft that has become commercialized in recent years which can be used for many purposes ranging from photography to Amazon deliveries.

Karen Johnson, the vice president of student affairs, said she led a group of people on campus who made the

decision in order to protect student safety.

"The drone issue is that we are right on the take-off and landing pattern of the [South Bend] airport," Johnson said. "The fire issue [with 'hoverboards'] is a big concern. We did not want an item in the residence hall or in a building that could catch on fire when nobody was around to

see it happen."

Assistant vice president for student affairs Janielle Tchakerian said the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) mandates the rules regarding the drones.

"FAA prohibits drone operators to stay out of airport flight paths and restricted airspace areas, and obey any FAA Temporary

Flight Restrictions (TFRs)," Tchakerian said. "Since Saint Mary's College is in the flight path to the South Bend airport, we wanted to inform our students that for the safety of the manned aircrafts flying above our campus that drones are prohibited."

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## Corrections

In the Jan. 15 edition of The Observer, the story "Administration announces dorm overhaul" incorrectly attributed a quote to Karen Kennedy. The quote should have been attributed to Associate Vice President for Residential Life Heather Rakoczy Russell. The Observer regrets this error.

# QUESTION OF THE DAY:

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"Paying off tuition."



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"I'd give it to my mom."

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### Hockey vs. Merrimack

Compton Family Ice  
Arena  
7:35 p.m.-9:35 p.m.  
ND plays the Warriors.

## Saturday

### Annual Bride Expo

Joyce Center  
10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Caterers,  
photographers and  
more will be present.

### Men's Tennis vs. Michigan State

Eck Tennis Pavilion  
12 p.m.-2 p.m.  
The Irish take on the  
Spartans.

## Sunday

### DeCicco Duals

Joyce Center  
All day  
Notre Dame hosts  
annual fencing  
tournament.

### La Misa en Español

Dillon Hall  
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.  
All are welcome to  
this weekly Mass  
celebrated in Spanish.

## Monday

### Women's Basketball vs. Tennessee

Purcell Pavilion  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
The Irish take on the  
Lady Vols.

### "Black Lives Matter"

DeBartolo Hall  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Movememnt co-  
founders speak on  
race relations.

## Tuesday

### Workshop: "Getting Started in Research"

Brownson Hall  
4 p.m.-5 p.m.  
Learn how to start a  
research project.

### Women's Tennis vs. Western Michigan

Eck Tennis Pavilion  
6 p.m.-8 p.m.  
The Irish take on the  
Broncos.

# Campus Ministry to host second annual spring break 'Nun Run'

## By RACHEL O'GRADY

News Wrtier

Young women considering the vocation of religious life will have an opportunity this spring break to travel to various religious communities for thoughtful reflection.

"The Nun Run is an opportunity for young women who are discerning a call to religious life to actually go and visit various different religious communities to see what their life is like," Sr. Maria Gemma Salyer, who deals with women's vocations for Campus Ministry, said.

Sponsored by Campus Ministry, the Nun Run allows women to visit religious communities near Chicago, Nashville and St. Louis to learn more about life as a woman religious.

"This trip was inspired by some of the students who expressed an interest in visiting some communities which otherwise they would not have the opportunity to visit," Salyer said.

After experiencing great success in the trip's first year, Salyer said she is looking forward to the second annual trip.

"Last year was our first year for the Nun Run — we went out east to New York and Connecticut," she said. "This year I chose a different route to expose the young women to different communities, and many young women are specifically interested in communities which are located in these areas."

According to Salyer, the opportunity has encouraged women to strongly consider and even join these religious communities.

"Our Nun Run last year was a great success. One of the young women will be entering a community this fall, while I know of a few others who are seriously considering entering other communities. I really look forward to introducing people to religious life," she said. "It is also a great opportunity to get to know each other and share one another's journey."

Salyer, who is originally from Ohio, said she looks forward visiting a wide variety of places in this year's trip.

"We'll be going to Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist,

Sisters of St. Joseph the Worker, Passionist Nuns, Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, Carmelite Monastery of St. Joseph, Missionaries of Charity, Holy Spirit Nuns, Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George and the Franciscans of the Eucharist of Chicago, just to name a few," Salyer said.

Although she is the Assistant Director of Vocations for the Sisters of Saint Francis of Perpetual Adoration in Mishawaka, Salyer encourages anyone who is even slightly interested in the vocation to go on the trip to learn more about different religious groups.

"Even if someone does not know if they are discerning a religious vocation or not, this is an awesome opportunity to grow in your faith and to make some good friendships which will last over the years," she said. "The beauty of a Nun Run is that you really get exposed to all different types of religious life, which will help when it comes time to make a decision."

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## Grants

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for more student exposure to the University Archives.

"In some ways I think the archives are better known outside Notre Dame than within Notre Dame," Cummings said. "If [students] come once they might see how wonderful the archives are and they might come back."

Kimberly Sammons, senior and resident assistant in Breen-Phillips Hall, visited the archives at her rector's request to find old pictures of the dorm. Sammons said she became engrossed in the

history in the archives and believes this grant will help

***"I think Notre Dame is so steeped in tradition that the archives give you a tangible way to be actively involved with the University."***

Kimberly Sammons  
senior

students experience what she thinks is an underappreciated

University resource.

"I think Notre Dame is so steeped in tradition that the archives give you a tangible way to be actively involved with the University," Sammons said. "Father Ted just did so many things for Notre Dame ... and outside the University that I'm sure his papers and his notes ... probably rivals stuff that would be in a national museum. So it'll give students a good opportunity to utilize his life's work to help Notre Dame."

Some of the papers at the archives that pertain to Father Hesburgh includes subjects such as his

humanitarian work, higher education administration, human rights, Catholicism and more.

"I think this is a wonderful opportunity, and I think Father Hesburgh brought together so many aspects of the world during his lifetime that this is a way for him, after his death, through his papers, to connect different fields of inquiry," Cummings said.

The deadline for the first round of applications is April 1 and applications must be submitted to [cushwa@nd.edu](mailto:cushwa@nd.edu).

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## Corpora

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students on campus. He said in the release that he is "very excited, grateful and humbled by the Holy Father's invitation."

"And I hope everyone at Notre Dame will pray for me that I might do some good in spreading the mercy of God by being a person of mercy and compassion. I know something of God's mercy because my deepest self-definition is that I am sinner whose sins are forgiven. God has been so merciful to me."

## Drones

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Though the fire concerns with "hoverboards" and the airport regulations regarding drones have not been an issue on campus, Johnson said the administration is acting proactively on the matter. Saint Mary's students received an email outlining the new prohibitions before leaving campus for winter break.

"When 'hoverboards' become more safe or they

solve the problems with the batteries, we may permit them," Johnson said. "We have skateboards all over campus now, bicycles, skates, all that."

Johnson said there is no set procedure for cases in which students are found with these items, but she would ask the student to take the item home as soon as possible or the College would confiscate the item and put it in a safe place until the student can take it home.

Tchakerian said the decision to prohibit the

items ultimately ensures the safety of everyone on campus.

"[The rules] benefit the entire Saint Mary's community because, by implementing these two policies, we are putting the safety of our community members — both on campus and those who fly above us — safer."

A comprehensive list of items prohibited on campus can be found on the College's website.

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## Fitbit

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Institute of Health is funding the study through a \$3 million grant.

"The National Institute of

***"I can see my friends on Fitbit and how many steps they have, and so I always want to have more steps than them. It's a way to compete in a friendly manner."***

Brian Quigley  
freshman

Health is very interested in the social conditions that influence peoples' behaviors, like sleep, diet and activity," Hachen said.

According to the NetHealth website, the Fitbit devices will be used to track each student's sleep and fitness, while a monitoring app on their smartphones will record social activity. The study therefore attempts to find a connection between social activity and health, one already seen by freshman Brian Quigley, who is participating in the study.

"I can see my friends on Fitbit and how many steps they have, and so I always want to have more steps than them," Quigley said. "It's a way to compete in a friendly manner."

Hachen said he believes "our patterns and health related behaviors are amplified by the people we hang out with." The challenge, though, he said, will be determining the direction of the causality between friendship and health.

"The biggest puzzle is we believe we are affected in our behaviors, attitudes, and taste by who we hang out with," Hachen said. "... It's also the case that we tend to choose as our friends people that are similar to us, so we're trying to disentangle whether your networks are influencing you, or you select the networks to be like you."

In looking to solve that puzzle, Striegel said one of the major questions in this study is, "Do you conform to the

group, or do you change the group?"

Hachen said the researchers plan to note changes in each student's social groups over time, which is made possible by the continuous data collection from the Fitbits and smartphones.

"People's networks are much more fluid than most social scientists have ever thought," Hachen said. "So we want to look at how people's networks change, because if I'm not healthy and I hang out with someone who is healthy, I could become more healthy, or I could stop hanging out with them. I could change my network."

Hachen also said the study's use of Fitbits and smartphones will make it more accurate than similar past studies, which usually rely only on surveys for information.

"On surveys, you may not tell the truth, you may not remember or recall your

social networks. ... By this method, we get continuous, reliable data that's probably better than the self-reports that come from surveys."

In addition, Striegel said the study can be used to "improve the health of the network," since the researchers receive data on how many times people try and fail to connect to the network in different locations on campus, thus allowing them to identify the network's weaker points.

Hachen said in the next few months the study will be expanded to include about 400 more students — without Fitbits — who, through smartphones and surveys, will further contribute to the data collection. Further, Hachen said in the future he hopes to perform the same study at different universities and with different age groups.

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"We're playing all over. We're not just having some reunion tour. We're releasing a record (sometime this year—still working on it, actually), so this isn't a victory lap or anything, which wouldn't be of much interest to us."

These are not words you would expect to hear from the lead singer of a band that had an excessive, ceremonial end five years ago. James Murphy posted the above as part of a letter to fans on LCD Soundsystem's website on Jan. 5. After the band's 2011 break-up and impending final shows, the release of a live record version of their last concert and a documentary, the news was a welcome surprise to fans and a bittersweet bite to those who spent and invested lots of emotions money at the over three-hour-long farewell show.

However, Murphy is ready to deal with the backlash. After coming up with more songs in 2015 than he ever had in his life, he says that needed an outlet. He addressed his options in the letter, "...3. make an led record with your friends, who want to make said record, and deal with whatever fall-out together. 4. don't make music, to avoid the horrors of all of the above. 5. make music and, like, hide it somewhere. we decided, clearly, on option 3."

The reunion's timing comes at an important time for the ever-evolving homunculus of pop music, with artists like Carly Rae Jepsen releasing perfectly produced bubblegum pop that appeals more to music critics than radio airwaves and PC Music pushing the electronic pop noise boundaries, more of LCD Soundsystem's post punk, alternative dance just makes sense.

During their original run, it was hard not to read a review of an LCD album that did not name drop at least 7 artists in sound comparisons, while critics nevertheless uniquely defined their music as "Indie New Wave Punk Rock Dance Pop." Their eclectic styling, enhanced by unique, tangible sound equipment and an aversion to the digital, drew from the past and furthered the present of the industry. Their relevancy stretches so far that Scene Writer Matt Munhall recently described One Direction as the "LCD Soundsystem of boy bands," referencing both bands' acute self-awareness and retirements while on top.

The LCD Soundsystem reunion came as a surprise to many, but, much like huge influence David Bowie's recent death, there were hints in hindsight. Fittingly, in a Pitchfork article on Bowie's upcoming "Blackstar" James Murphy was referenced as a collaborator on percussion, while album producer Tony Visconti said, in reference to Murphy, "he was there for a brief time, but he had his own projects to go off to."

The band's reunion was first announced in conjunction with Coachella's 2016 line-up, the California-based music festival that has garnered a reputation for staging reunion acts as headliners: The Pixies (2004), My Bloody Valentine (2009) and OutKast (2015). (Writer Jessica Gentile jokingly predicted the reunion via a tweet at their last show in 2011: "2 hours in and LCD are killing it! Can't wait to see them again at the reunion at Coachella in 2016.") We are excited to hear what LCD Soundsystem will come up with in 2016. As LCD's residential segment of the music industry has only become more experimental and saturated since their last album in 2010, there will surely be more boundaries pushed and more influences drawn upon and referenced. However, before we look ahead to their upcoming release, we are taking some time to reflect on what came before.

"LOSING MY EDGE/BEAT CONNECTION"

Does it get better than this?

So often, new artists release a masterpiece of a debut record and fail to reach the same heights ever again: Arcade Fire, Interpol, The Strokes, Bloc Party, the Stone Roses, the list goes on. James Murphy's first foray as LCD Soundsystem set an almost impossibly high bar for future releases. "Losing My Edge/Beat Connection" takes no time in assembling an ensemble of signature elements and crafting them into propulsive, timely dancefloor anthems. The electronic-acoustic drum attack, the irresistible grooves, the tasteful synth riffs and the brilliantly witty lyrics that would come to define LCD Soundsystem's sound in future records are all at their best here. "Losing My Edge" is an emotionally charged plea for relevance in a music scene that refuses to age with Murphy. "Beat Connection" is a straightforward but absolutely dynamite dance-rock crescendo that sets fire to any hipster dancefloor. A marvelous start to the LCD discography.

"LCD SOUNDSYSTEM"

Coming three years after "Losing My Edge," LCD Soundsystem's debut full-length record was not so much a fall as a stumble. Like much dance music, the problem with Murphy's work is that it simply works better in a single format. Crescendos, energy and ideas contained in individual songs often don't benefit from being forced into the context of a larger whole. Of course, if the individual songs on a record are good, then the record will at least end up the sum of those parts. In the wake of "Losing My Edge/Beat Connection", however, the songs on LCD Soundsystem's debut simply don't fulfill the promise of Murphy's precursory singles. That isn't to say the record doesn't have its moments; "Daft Punk is Playing at My House" is classic LCD Soundsystem name-checking fun, and with "Great Release" James Murphy crafted a beautiful ambient pop song that's unlike anything else in his repertoire. Thankfully, there was more – and better – to come.

"SOUND OF SILVER"

Their 2007 album comes in at just seven songs and presented a consolidated, pointed direction for the band. The climax on opening track "Get Innocuous!" lasts for 2 minutes and 10 seconds before any words are uttered; finally, self-aware, tilted lyrics juxtapose the rushing crescendos in a statement that roughly translates into "Let's Get Bland/Boring/Insipid." The opening features a loud beat echoed by a more apathetic one, embodying the excitement for lethargy addressed in the self-deprecating title. Murphy's jerky, scratchy vibrato – that elevates into Michael Jackson "Eeeeh" territory throughout the album – sneers over the synthetic electro-noise produced by the band's iconic equipment.

The lyrics on the album mark the first time LCD didn't adlib at the studio. The results are haunting. Distinctly, "All My Friends" addresses Murphy's mid-life crisis that resonates amongst college students all too well. As covered in Scene's "Final Five," a piece on the last five songs each staff member would choose to listen to before death, the lyrics draw on the important things in life: relationships, memories, the present. Lines like "You spent the first five years trying to get with the plan / And the next five years trying to be with your friends again" haven't lost an ounce of truth. The rushed nature of the keyboard mimic society's fast-paced, future-focused lifestyle as Murphy reminds us not to waste our lives. One of the unique things, of which there are countless, about LCD Soundsystem is that they can take a big, scary idea ("All My Friends" has brought tears to my eyes on many occasions) and pack it into an incredibly moving dance track, both sonically and lyrically. The songs on "Sound of Silver" overwhelm the senses and numb any woes as the dancing synths push you into oblivion. Pulsing. Clanking. Shaking. Dancing. Like with many of Murphy's most poignant lines, less says more.

"THIS IS HAPPENING"

Again, LCD manages to literalize the figurative concept of dancing through life, beginning the album with demands that you "Dance Yrself Clean," a title fittingly written like an email from your vowel-averse dad, as hiccuppy clatters and twirly flute-like electronic noises float across the track. The repeated "ahhh"s and the wedding march-esque synths further the dad metaphor as Murphy leads you up the aisle to an altar that will convert you to a new religion with its buzzy, floor erasing synth entering just after three minutes.

The album's first two tracks, "Dance Yrself Clean" and "Drunk Girls," are distinctly digestible. From then on it is as if the listener is sucked into a black hole hovering at the intersection of old and new. Significantly, the album acutely resembles 80s rock bands: Murphy mirrors Depeche Mode's Dave Gahan's stoic, monotone delivery on "One Touch," David Byrne's yearning enunciation on "Pow Pow" and everything from Gary Numan to Bauhaus in the instrumentals. The middle tracks form a sort of conversation as Murphy struggles with melancholic, heartbroken desires on "All I Want," ("All I want is your pity / All I want are your bitter tears"), conciliatory negotiations on "I Can Change" ("I can change if it helps you fall in love") and others' expectations on "You Wanted A Hit" (electric fairy noises dance around the demands, refusing to make way for words and, hence, anything "hit-worthy": "You wanted a hit / But maybe we don't do hits" Murphy croons to some clapping he adds to the track, the ultimate self-validation).

The lyrics in the album's lead single "Pow Pow" now seem to have foreshadowed Murphy's recent letter: "Because I have stayed home and have learned a little more about my neighbourhood, which is important / You know, there's a lot of good places to eat" .... "I have been untied.... And I'm coming back, coming back, coming back." Even his more cryptic lyrics still ring true.



## INSIDE COLUMN

## Unwillingly unplugged

**Greg Hadley**  
Editor in Chief

This past Wednesday, in this very space, my colleague Miko Malabute argued we should put down our smartphones, stop watching Netflix and try to reconnect with each other.

It was a very good argument, one I certainly agree with, albeit have trouble actually following through on. But the main server of The Observer was already way ahead of Miko in helping our staff fulfill that goal. On Tuesday morning, the server crashed completely. What that means, essentially, is that almost all the files, templates, presets and graphics we typically use to design and layout the paper were gone. We were unplugged, and not by choice.

Thankfully, we were still able to put out a paper the next morning, one that included Miko's column. The process of production was more than a little hectic, manic and frenzied, and it made for a long night, but it did reinforce two ideas I have come to believe in over the past year or so.

First, it is hugely important that The Observer remains a daily newspaper. I realize there are many members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community who do not read this paper and would not realize if it ceased to be printed on a daily basis. I know that at many other, larger universities, there are no more daily student newspapers, either because of staffing issues, financial difficulty or the sheer amount of time it takes to put out a newspaper five times per week.

All the same, I am convinced that simply by being available to students, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni each day, in the dining halls, in class buildings and elsewhere on campus, The Observer remains an integral part of campus culture.

From the passionate letters we receive in the Viewpoint section, to the issues that affect daily life in News, to the interhall football championship coverage in Sports and stories about the local South Bend area in Scene, The Observer exists to reflect and engage with the student body, and that is a continual process, not something that happens once or twice per week. It is an everyday occurrence, and accordingly, we have to cover it every day.

Secondly, I am lucky to work with a group of people who make that philosophy work, every day. When the server crashed, I prepared myself for the possibility that we would not be able to put together a paper, that it would just be too much hard work. But the writers, editors, photographers and designers all surprised me, as they have done again and again in my time as editor-in-chief. There were no complaints, just cheerful attitudes and hard work.

So in the end, Miko was right. I may have gone off the grid unwillingly, but it made me appreciate the people around me all the more.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Cut ND's ties to Bill Cosby

In 1990, Notre Dame gave Bill Cosby an honorary degree. While giving a lecture on campus, Cosby asked All-American defensive lineman Dean Brown to reveal his GPA in front of the crowd. When Brown said he had a 2.5, Mr. Cosby angrily responded that a "2.5 is OK if you have a mental disorder. You should be ashamed of yourself. You should have worked harder." Brown began to cry and told Mr. Cosby, "I worked hard. I did my best..." Mr. Cosby cut him off, saying, "You didn't do enough."

Twenty-five years later, Bill Cosby lost his status as "America's Dad" after nearly 60 sexual assault accusations and a 2005 deposition confessing to using strong, now-illegal sedatives to drug women.

Prior to his fall into notoriety, Mr. Cosby amassed almost 60 honorary degrees, including the one from Notre Dame. These universities now face a complex situation and a serious question — what should we do when an honorary degree recipient turns out to be thoroughly dishonorable? To date, 23 universities have rescinded Mr. Cosby's degree, and 20 more are expected to follow suit. Several others have refused to comment. A stubborn few have stated they will not rescind.

Notre Dame is one of them, although you may have missed the University's announcement last September. No campus publications reported our administration's statement, released quietly on a Friday before a home football game. Whatever the intended effect, the result was that even students, faculty and administrators who follow the University's actions closely were largely unaware of the decision.

Our VP of Communications, Paul Browne, issued the statement on September 26, 2015. Five days before, Browne told "shame on you" at a FOX 28 reporter who asked Father Jenkins a question about campus sexual assault at a press conference. Those are inconvenient optics, but the problem is not so much the messenger as the message itself. The statement said it is not our practice to rescind degrees "in the absence of criteria applicable retroactively to all." It then provides the comforting reassurance that the University would not have given Mr. Cosby the award had they known what is now public. The statement goes on to assert that in light of "the pervasive silence that ... allow[s] offenders to escape responsibility," we now "recommit ourselves to doing all we can to prevent sexual assault."

This recommitment apparently does not extend to revoking Mr. Cosby's degree and to sending an unambiguous message that sexual assault will not be tolerated. Now that approximately 40 of the 60 universities either have rescinded or are working to rescind Bill Cosby's degrees, Notre Dame stands in the minority and in the wrong.

The University is concerned with precedent. But a lack of precedent at Notre Dame should not deter us from decisive action. Other universities have rescinded degrees before (such as those of Robert Mugabe and Kaiser Wilhelm II) and without incident. Even if precedent were at issue, it's unclear why a precedent that cements old ties to rapists is worth upholding, or what possible benefit we derive

from continuing a relationship — no matter how distanced — with a man who committed such terrible crimes. We see no problem with taking firm positions on what is and is not acceptable from a person honored by a Notre Dame degree. As for criteria "applicable retroactively to all," we suggest the following: If the reasons for which a person received an honorary degree are undermined by the emergence of new information, then we can consider revoking the degree.

Fortunately, other Catholic schools like Marquette and Fordham are leading the way. Marquette Provost (and former Notre Dame Associate Provost) Dan Myers rescinded Cosby's Marquette degree just a day before Notre Dame issued its own statement. Fordham's president said: "As a Jesuit university, Fordham could no longer stand behind the degree it had bestowed upon Mr. Cosby." If it goes against other schools' Catholic morals to allow Cosby to keep his degrees, why is it not against our Catholic morals as well?

The majority of schools have held very public discussions surrounding Mr. Cosby's degree. Haverford College asked its students, "How and why are degrees awarded, and how and why could they, or should they, be rescinded?" Before Notre Dame made its decision, all members of our community — students, staff, and faculty — should have had the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue on these questions. As Myers said in Marquette's announcement, a Catholic university "challeng[es] students to integrate knowledge and faith into their real-life decisions." How are we supposed to do the same if we are never invited to the "grown ups' table" to help make these decisions?

When debating Bill Cosby's degree revocation, we must take stock of the message we send to sexual assault survivors at Notre Dame. Currently it's the wrong one. Keeping Mr. Cosby's degree sends a message we're embarrassed to be associated with. As a University we decry the "pervasive silence" surrounding sexual assault, but chose not to inconvenience ourselves when given an opportunity to speak out.

In the last week, George Washington University reversed its previous decision to keep Mr. Cosby's degree. President Steven Knapp wrote an open letter saying that after discussing the issue with students, including sexual assault survivors, he decided that a lack of precedent was not a sufficient reason to retain Mr. Cosby's university honor.

Notre Dame can and should do the same. It is not too late for Notre Dame to make up for the opportunity it missed. Acknowledge that we made a mistake. Open a conversation. Release another press statement revoking an honor Mr. Cosby can no longer claim to deserve.

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**Alex Caton**  
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# How to be nominated by your favorite political party

Louis Bertolotti

Mr. 2016

Twenty-four million people watched the first Republican debate in August, and 15.3 watched the first Democratic debate in October. These numbers set the records for the most watched primary debates of all time. The American people are clearly interested in the presidential election, and yet that election is still 11 months away. Why do we start the madness so early?

It is important to remember that nothing is actually decided until the beginning of February. It is then the delegate process begins, which is basically a scaled-down version of the electoral college the candidates will face in November. Each state is assigned a number of delegates by the party's national committee, and then independently decides how to dole out these votes.

On the Republican side, there are 2,472 delegates up for grabs. Each state gets a base of 10 at-large delegates, three delegates for each of its congressional districts, and three to represent each state's party leadership. Bonus delegates are then awarded to states that either voted for the Republican party in 2012, or have elected Republican governors, senators, congressmen or state legislators since. On the Democratic side, there are 4,764 delegates, awarded to states based on a complex formula that is basically computed half by the number of electoral votes and half by the percentage of people from that state who voted Democratic in the 2012 elections. In order to win the nomination, a candidate needs a majority of these delegates: The magic number for a Republican is 1,237, and for a Democrat, 2,383.

The question you must be asking now is how candidates can win these delegates. The good news is

that it is just as complicated as the delegate appointment process. Basically, a state can either choose to hold primary elections or caucuses. Primary elections are more common and are exactly what they sound like: a normal state-wide election in which voters pick their preferred candidate for president.

The caucus system complicates things even more. Often described as a "gathering of neighbors," it is an event held across the state in hundreds or thousands of local schools, churches or homes. Any interested people from the "precinct" may attend and lobby for their preferred candidate(s). At the end of the discussion, a poll is held, and a representative is selected who supports the winning candidate. This representative is then sent to the county convention, where the process is repeated, sending representatives to the district convention, and so on, until the state delegates are decided.

So where does this all leave us in the current cycle? Iowa is famously the first state in the nation to decide on its candidates, with its caucus for both parties taking place Feb. 1. New Hampshire is not far behind with its primary taking place Feb. 9. The only other February contests take place later in the month in Nevada and South Carolina.

"Super Tuesday" is then the first nation-wide test of the candidates, with 14 states holding their nominating contests on the first Tuesday of March. By this point, the nominees of both parties are usually all but assured, although nominating contests continue until early June.

In this cycle, there will be a few things to watch out for in the coming months. On the Republican side, the contest will likely come down to an "outsider" candidate against an "establishment" candidate, with Donald Trump as the wild card. Iowa, a state heavy with white, evangelical voters, should decide the "outsider" candidate. If Ted Cruz, who currently

leads in the polls there, can stay on top and fend off a challenge from Donald Trump or Ben Carson, then the more conservative wing of the GOP will likely coalesce around him.

In New Hampshire, meanwhile, Donald Trump currently leads in the polls, while Marco Rubio and Chris Christie are in a tight race for second. Jeb Bush and John Kasich are not far behind. Whoever can edge out amongst these four will likely be seen as the "establishment" candidate moving forward, benefitting from increased financial support as the party's big donors unite to try and beat down the more conservative wing.

The wild card, of course, is the Donald. No one knows if his current poll numbers can translate into actual primary success, and no one will find out until after the votes are cast. Trump is a candidate unlike any other in recent times, and no pundit has been able to predict him correctly.

On the Democratic side, Bernie Sanders will have to edge out Hilary Clinton in both Iowa and New Hampshire to have any realistic shot at the nomination. Unless he is able to do this, his candidacy (although not his ideas) will fade into oblivion.

In the end, as tired as you may already be of the non-stop coverage of the presidential race, the fun has only just begun. We are still far away from finding out who the nominees will be, and even further from the Nov. 8 election that will decide the 45th president of the United States. It's a complicated process for an even more complicated job.

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## I hate people

Jenna Wilson

Guest Columnist

I generally say I hate people. People are, quite frankly, the worst — myself included. I don't hate people because we argue, or hurt the ones we love, or even because I have to close the New York Times within five minutes of reading the depressing events that are being reported. I hate people because I see how beautiful we all are and how often we take that for granted.

Have you ever thought about how much you are truly capable of? Look at the people around you. Maybe you're in class, or maybe it's lunchtime and you're in the dining hall with every other student; maybe you're just sitting outside (I have no clue why you would choose to read this outside in this weather) or maybe you are at home. Wherever it is, look at each person around you and think about all the things each and every one of them is capable of. Each of them has the ability to make life, but also to take life; to take hearts, and to break hearts; to fight, or to fly; to make friends, or to make enemies; to invite, or to shun; to save, or to condemn; to tell the truth, or to lie. And we have no control over which of these any given person will choose to do on any given day, which is truly terrifying to think about. But I do not hate people for this.

In almost every case, it seems easier to act negatively. Just last month, it took about 15 minutes for two people to take the lives of 14 others in San Bernardino, California. Yet generally people choose the more challenging actions — it's more common

for people to dedicate nine months to literally producing human life. Though this is an extreme example, it seems that most choose the more challenging route, and it is honestly mind-blowing to think how anyone is still here given how easy it is for us to hurt one another. Even more mind-blowing to me, though, is that this mysteriously wonderful aspect of humanity goes generally unnoticed.

It seems to me that most of us have grown accustomed to receiving to the point that it is expected or dismissed as routine. We do the same things with the same people so often we forget how lucky we are to be with those people. But what if one of those people just disappeared? Could you be confident that, wherever they are, they know they mean something to you, or would their memories with you only consist of sitting at lunch together while you each checked Facebook and Yik Yak on your phones? Is loss what it would take for us to realize how much better our lives are when these people are around? Maybe it is worth it to let them know how dear they are to us, before it's too late.

And while these thoughts flutter around my mind constantly, I still find myself more bothered by the quick judgments we make about one another. As humans, we have the ability to think and understand what happens around us, and yet we judge others without considering what they might be going through. I am talking about the homeless person you pass and look at with disgust, when you don't know if you might end up on the same corner someday. I am talking about the girl you call anorexic with no thought of the possibility that you might one day look in the mirror and lose

your appetite. I am talking about the smoker you walk past holding your breath and laughing at how disgusting that person is without considering that they might be trying to find their breath in a pack of cigarettes, a situation so ironic you think it could only be found in fiction.

Of all the things we are capable of, the most incredible is our ability to feel. If we only look at someone and forget about them once they are gone, then it doesn't matter to us what has happened that led to their departure. But if we feel someone in the sense that our lives are changed by them, even in the slightest, then it will matter. And maybe, just maybe, if we took the time to genuinely appreciate those around us more and let them know how much we truly appreciate them, maybe they'll find less reason to depart.

Feeling gives us meaning. It is what motivates us to act one way rather than another. If the people around us mean anything at all, it is worth taking the time to not only let them know, but make sure they feel how much they truly mean to us. The real reason I claim to hate everyone isn't because I actually do, but because I hate the fact that so many of us continue through life and take for granted how little we hate each other in a world that makes hating each other so easy.

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CROSSWORD | WILL SHORTZ

**ACROSS**

1 Verizon FiOS and EarthLink, briefly

5 Feet, in slang

9 Leadership positions

14 Face on a coin of A.D. 64

15 "Gittl"

16 Online outlay

17 \*Abrupt reversals of opinion

19 Get stuck (in)

20 Madagascar mammal

21 Grits, essentially

23 \*Uninjured, after "in"

26 \*Hoosegow

29 Card game for two

30 Red and white stoppers?

32 Doozy

33 Singer Julius of early TV

35 Styptic pencil targets

36 \*Scandal damage control

39 \*Across-the-board

41 Les \_\_\_\_-Unis

42 Overprivileged 6-year-old of children's lit

44 Ship records

45 Virginia Woolf's "\_\_\_\_ of One's Own"

46 Play charades

49 \*Ghostly figures

51 \*Kind of insurance policy

54 Blowouts

56 What steam coming out of the ears may signify in a cartoon

57 Lineup on a computer screen

59 One packing up the answers to the seven starred clues, maybe

62 Chop to bits

**DOWN**

1 Amount received, as of cash

2 Actress Gomez

3 First layer of furniture protection

4 Absorb

5 Web access inits.

6 Jolly exclamation

7 Tunneling rodents

8 Garnering a "meh," say

9 Prefix with -tropic

10 Bygone Ford van

11 Figure invoked in casinos

12 E-mail or letter; Abbr.

13 "Ain't Sweet" (song classic)

18 It's "Black" once a year; Abbr.

22 Ed Sullivan and others, informally

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PUZZLE BY JEAN O'CONOR

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34 Ovid's "Amatoria"

35 "Daughters" rapper

36 Cartoon frames

37 Texter's "Then again..."

38 Wayfarer

40 Arm or leg

43 Make a mess of

45 Volcanic spew

46 Losing side in a 2000 Supreme Court ruling

47 "Monty Python" comic John

48 Roof worker, of a sort

50 County NE of London

52 Pep rally cry

53 NBC newsmen Richard

55 Recedes

57 Global economic oversight org.

58 Inc., in France

60 D-backs, on scoreboards

61 Home of "The Situation Room"

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JUST ADD WATER | ERIC CARLSON & JOHN RODDY



"I'm adjusting to the climate."

FLING BY SPRING | RILEY MCCURRIE



I've got to get a coat like that.

SUDOKU | THE MEPHAM GROUP

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SOLUTION TO TUESDAY'S PUZZLE 8/29/12

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HOROSCOPE | EUGENIA LAST

**Happy Birthday:** Good fortune will be yours if you don't give in to emotional blackmail or manipulative tactics. Staying focused on what will bring you the most in return and negotiating on your own behalf will be your ticket to success. Opportunities are apparent, but so are poor choices regarding money, health and legal matters. Be responsible for your own happiness and please yourself. Your numbers are 5, 14, 23, 31, 33, 46, 48.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Work behind the scenes to get as much done as possible. Now is not the time to spar with one of your colleagues or someone in an authoritative position. Take care of your responsibilities and keep moving forward. Romance will ease your stress. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Listen to any advice offered and put your own personal touch on the way you move forward. It's OK to be different or to explore new possibilities. What you engage in today will bring rewards far beyond your expectations. ★★★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't be too willing to put your responsibilities aside to help someone who is complaining. It's important to live up to your promises. Do your best to take care of your personal needs and leave some time to rejuvenate. ★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** A chance to try something new or do something different will improve your outlook and get you moving in an interesting direction that allows you to show off talents you didn't know you had. Embrace the future with optimism. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You'll have plenty to think about if you disagree with the people you deal with each day. Ask someone you trust for advice regarding a situation that has left you questioning your current status. A simple solution is likely eluding you. ★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Get out and about. See what's going on in your neighborhood or plan a day trip. Doing things with children or friends will broaden your outlook and help you set better priorities. A change at home will affect your finances. ★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Your attention should be on yourself, your loved ones and making personal changes that will improve your life. Don't let situations at home escalate because someone is being forceful. Back away and let things settle down. ★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Share your ideas and emotional feelings. It's important to clear up any concerns before moving forward or making changes that will affect your life. A money matter, settlement or contract will escalate if you don't deal with it quickly. ★★★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't engage in something you can't finish. It's important to bring about alterations to the way you live if you want to avoid complaints and interference from someone who disagrees with your choices. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** An unusual or unexpected financial opportunity will develop. Use your experience and knowledge to orchestrate what you want to see unfold. You can raise your standard of living or change the way you invest in the future. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Put your efforts and attention toward your physical wellbeing, and do whatever it takes to improve your health. What you achieve will bring a positive response from someone you love. Change will be rewarding. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Be careful how you handle others. If you are too serious or negative, you will face the same in return. An honest but diplomatic approach when dealing with friends, relatives or your lover will help you avoid trouble. Focus on financial gains. ★★

**Birthday Baby:** You are insightful, inspirational and sensitive. You are persuasive and tactical.

JUMBLE | DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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

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Print answer here: 

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 (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CURVE PILOT SICKEN PILLOW  
Answer: She hinted that her daughter should clean her room, but her daughter didn't — PICK UP ON IT

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## SPORTS AUTHORITY

# Supporting fans, not franchises

**Alex Carson**

Associate Sports Editor

Let's start with a history lesson.

It also happens to be one of England's greatest sporting tales.

It's a story of a soccer club founded in a London district known much more for its tennis than its association football. In 1889, Wimbledon FC was founded, then known as Wimbledon Old Centrals, starting a history as an amateur club that lasted for more than seven decades. The Dons, as the club was known, became one of England's better amateur clubs, winning the FA Amateur Cup in 1963, before winning election to the professional, storied Football League in 1977.

And that's where their Cinderella story truly started. Two years later, the Dons won promotion to the Third Division, only staying for a year before suffering relegation.

Six years later, Wimbledon had won three promotions to get to the English top flight, just nine years after entering the league for the first time.

But Wimbledon's story didn't end there. Two years after reaching the First Division, they met the biggest, most storied club in English football at the time in the FA Cup Final: Liverpool. Wimbledon's "Crazy Gang," as they were known, pulled off one of the top wins in Wembley Stadium history, downing the star-studded Reds, 1-0.

In 11 years, the club had gone from a non-League side to the winners of the world's greatest knockout competition.

A year later, however, the story started to take a turn for the worst. When Liverpool met Nottingham Forest in the FA Cup semifinal next year at Sheffield's Hillsborough Stadium, 96 fans in the Liverpool end were crushed to death on a standing terrace.

The findings of the Taylor Report, the United Kingdom's enquiry into the disaster, recommended that all first- and second-tier clubs remove their standing terraces, replacing them with all-seated stands.

The result was that Wimbledon had to leave Plough Lane, a place they'd called home for 79 years, moving into a ground-sharing agreement at Crystal Palace's Selhurst Park. Despite the move, the Dons were one of the founding members of the Premier League a year later, and stayed in the division until relegation finally hit in 2000. The club had competed against

the odds, won the FA Cup and stayed in the division much longer than expected.

But the ground share at their South London rivals crippled the club financially. A move to Dublin was floated in the late 1990s, but in 2001, Wimbledon's new owners submitted for an unprecedented move to Milton Keynes. Unlike in the United States, where relocation was common, it's effectively unheard of in European soccer — the clubs belong to their communities, often neighborhoods, not sitting there as a franchise.

After much consideration, a special panel from England's Football Association approved Wimbledon's move to Milton Keynes in 2002. In the report, the panel suggested that Wimbledon supporters forming what's known as a phoenix club, one that carries on as the spiritual successor of a since-folded club, was "not in the wider interests of football."

But the supporters were not to be stopped. That year, Dons fans formed AFC Wimbledon as a fan-owned club, starting once more at the bottom of England's football hierarchy. In the final season before Wimbledon FC moved north to Milton Keynes, the ninth-tier phoenix club outdrew the original, second-division one.

In a bit of symmetry, nine years later, AFC Wimbledon had won back the Dons' rightful place in the Football League. They were promoted five times in those nine seasons, playing at another site that isn't their home: Kingsmeadow.

Last month, AFC Wimbledon got initial approval from local authorities to construct a stadium on Plough Lane, just a stone's throw from the club's old home. If the project continues to move forward, it would finally signal a return to Wimbledon's football home.

But why am I, as a random American so concerned with a team in England's fourth tier? Simple. It's a brilliant Cinderella story of what happens when fans come together to overcome of the often-toxic, money-hungry culture that world soccer has become.

And so a month ago, I became a member of the Dons Trust, the group that owns the majority of the shares in the club. I'm proud to be aboard. Because sports are about fans.

Not franchises.

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## TRACK &amp; FIELD

# Irish to ease into new year at Wisconsin Open

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Sports Writer

After more than a month off, Notre Dame returns to action Friday at the Wisconsin Open in Madison, Wisconsin.

At their last meet, the Blue and Gold Invitational, the Irish took home 14 first-place performances. However, Irish head coach Alan Turner said the goal for the Wisconsin Open will be to get the team back into shape as the season warms up.

"I hate to say it, but the goal of this meet is not to go out and score as many points as we can," Turner said. "The goal is to go out there and get some very good performances, get the cobwebs off and ... just get our legs back under us. Get the athletes back acclimated to competing again."

Turner also said the team's focus is on the sprints and field events, rather than distance events.

"None of our distance runners or Wisconsin's distance runners will be [competing]," Turner said. "This is going to be more of a sprints, jumps and throws meet. The highest we're

going is the mile at this meet, and we're not having any of our top milers competing."

And with stars like senior Molly Seidel not running, attention will turn to other standouts like senior All-American sprinter Margaret Bamgbose, junior pole vaulter Nathan Richartz and junior thrower Anthony Shivers. Turner said he is looking forward to seeing how Richartz and Shivers, especially, continue to develop.

"I'm really excited to see how Anthony's [Shivers] going to do," Turner said. "And [Wisconsin's] men's thrower, that's the NCAA champion a few years ago. ... They've had some better athletes than us in men's throw, so I'm anxious to see how [Shivers] competes against their throwers."

And Nate Richartz in the pole vault, he came on like gangbusters at the tail end of last year, and he had his best opening meet of the year at the Blue and Gold [Invitational]. So I'm really anxious to see what he can do."

Richartz placed first in the pole vault at the Blue and Gold Invitational with a jump of 5.05 meters, and Shivers placed first

in the weight throw on a 19.24 meter toss.

Turner also said he is excited to compete against a high caliber program like Wisconsin and in a different setting to to prepare the team for the challenges it will experience in the ACC championships. In the NCAA preseason rankings, Wisconsin's women's team was ranked ninth.

"We're going to Wisconsin because it's a different venue," Turner said. "We haven't been there and that program is a strong program and one that's won a lot of Big Ten titles in the last 20 years, so they have that tradition going on there. And they'll have a pretty good crowd. I don't think our kids are used to having that crowd. ... The crowd's really going to be on top of us the whole time, so it's going to be a good experience to just really get their feet wet and get used to competing at this high level when they step on the track."

The Wisconsin Open kicks off at 11 a.m. Friday morning in Madison, Wisconsin.

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## Hockey

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Petersen said. "One of the things we've been working on is having a bit more edge at home. On the road it's easy to be really physical — sometimes it's easier to fall back in complacency with the comfort we have around here."

Irish head coach Jeff Jackson echoed his starting goaltender's words regarding an increase in physical play — particularly when it came to recently returned sophomore left wing Anders Bjork. Bjork rejoined the team last week after having helped steer the U.S. World Junior Championship team to a bronze medal in Helsinki. Jackson spoke of the process of re-acclimating to the college game after having played abroad.

"The biggest adjustment is offensively not getting mesmerized by the additional ice, not playing the perimeter," Coach Jackson said. "That's the only thing [Bjork] has to be conscious of. We've been doing work trying to get him more to the dirty area."

Physicality aside, Bjork's offensive game has lost no ground since his return; the



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**Sophomore goaltender Cal Petersen stops a shot during Notre Dame's 5-1 home conference win over Massachusetts on Dec. 5.**

Irish winger has scored in his last two games and paces the team in both points and plus/minus during the team's unbeaten streak.

Other contributing factors to the team's recent success include an upswing in blocked shots, particularly among the team's younger defensemen. Freshman blueliner Dennis Gilbert leads the team with 20 blocked shots on the season which Cal Petersen said has earned the freshman some deserved praise.

"[Gilbert] is doing a great job, as is all the defense," Petersen said. "Blocking shots

is a culture at Notre Dame, and the guys in the defensive corps really take it on themselves to help out a lot. That's been huge for me. It's limiting the amount of opportunities that get to the net, and for that I'm grateful. It's awesome to see a freshman [like Gilbert] getting the recognition for blocking shots."

The Irish look to sustain their unbeaten streak to nine as they host Merrimack this Friday at 7:40 p.m. at Compton Family Ice Arena.

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## MLK Day Events

Monday, January 18

12:00 a.m./Midnight

### Midnight March

March begins at the Hesburgh Library Reflecting Pool  
A post-march breakfast will be held at South Dining Hall

11:30 a.m.

### Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Luncheon

A conversation about building community  
North Dome, Joyce Center  
*Ticket required for entry. Doors open at 10:45 a.m.*

11:30 a.m.

### Community Building Lunches

North and South Dining Halls  
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## W Bball

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use the shot clock, they ran a lot of offense, and I think we got a little frustrated with their pace,” McGraw said. “... So that was a problem for us. We’ve got to be able to control the tempo, and we did not control the tempo.”

In the second quarter, however, the Irish made their biggest push of the night, outscoring the Eagles 19-8, with most of their offense coming in a 10-0 run in the final 3:30 of the half. Freshman guard Marina Mabrey accounted for seven of those 10 points to lead the charge, including a 3-point shot with 11 seconds left to give her team a 32-20 halftime lead.

Mabrey ended the night with 14 points to lead Notre Dame, her fifth time this season as the team’s leading scorer. She also chipped in three steals, two assists and a block in 18 minutes of work.

“Marina came in off the bench and gave us a big lift,” McGraw said. “... Defensively, she got up and pressured the ball well. I thought she played pretty well.”

Four other Irish players posted eight or more points. Graduate student guard Madison Cable,

finished second on the team in points (11) and rebounds (four), while junior guard Lindsay Allen came back from a scoreless first half to record 10 points. She also recorded four assists and a steal in the game’s final 20 minutes.

“They were going under the ball screens, and she made some really nice ... jumpers and used the screens really well,” McGraw said of the adjustments Allen made to break out after halftime.

Boston College’s slower pace kept Notre Dame well off its season average in points per game (83.4), but the Irish did connect on their shots at or above their typical rate, shooting 49.1 percent from the field and 55.6 from 3-point range.

The Irish entered the matchup atop the ACC rankings in 3-point shooting alongside Boston College, which has built a reputation as a perimeter-shooting team, McGraw said. Defensively, however, Notre Dame held the Eagles to 30.8 percent on attempts from long-distance.

“I thought we did a much better job in the first half,” McGraw said of her team’s defense. “The second half, not nearly as good. They got loose a couple times and shot it better than they did

in the first half.”

Instead, Boston College kept the game close by relying on freshman forward Mariella Fasoula, who scored 20 of the Eagles’ 50 points. Fasoula almost singlehandedly kept the Eagles competitive in the paint, where they were narrowly outscored, 36-34.

“Fasoula is a really big girl who takes up a lot of space, and she’s really hard to guard,” McGraw said. “So we tried a couple different things [to stop her].”

For the most part, sophomore forward Brianna Turner had the task of limiting the 6-foot-4 Fasoula. And while her Boston College counterpart did lead all scorers in the matchup, Turner had success as well, grabbing a season-high 13 rebounds to go with eight points. She also blocked four shots and stole the ball twice.

The Irish now return to Notre Dame, where they will host three straight games at Purcell Pavilion, their longest homestand left in the season. That stretch begins Monday, when they face No. 13 Tennessee in a regular-season matchup for the fifth consecutive year. Tipoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

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## Draft

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end of it. But I was relieved and excited; it was a whirlwind of emotions for sure.”

He joins former Notre Dame defender Aaron Maund, the 12th-overall selection in 2012, at Real Salt Lake. Maund and Lachowecki played together in the Irish back four in 2011. Lachowecki said it was a relief to have the opportunity to play alongside a former teammate.

“I’ve seen Aaron a few times since he graduated,” Lachowecki said. “He was a senior when I was a freshman, so I’m excited to be able to be reunited with him. It’s going to be nice to have at least one friend out there so it won’t be totally foreign and to have someone to help me get acclimated to a new system, new players and ultimately living in a new city.”

Lachowecki scored eight goals and dished out nine assists over the course of his Notre Dame career and received Big East all-freshman honors in 2012 and second-team All-ACC honors in 2015. He credited his coaches and teammates at Notre Dame for his career success.

“I’d just like to thank my coaches at Notre Dame for everything they’ve done for me,” Lachowecki said. “My coaches, and my teammates, too, are the guys who’ve helped me to get to where I am today. I’d like to thank the University of Notre Dame as well for giving me the opportunity to play and giving me an education at such a great school, too. It’ll be definitely missed. I’m very grateful for this opportunity.”

Hodan was selected 28th overall by the Earthquakes and finishes his Notre Dame career with a long list of individual honors. The Wisconsin native was named ACC Offensive Player of the Year, an NSCAA Division I first-team All-American and a MAC Hermann Trophy semifinalist in 2014. He was also recognized

for his work in the classroom at Notre Dame, receiving Capital One Academic All-American Honors and being named ACC Men’s Soccer Scholar-Athlete of the year in 2014. Hodan said he grew both on and off the field during his time at Notre Dame.

“Notre Dame was extremely influential in my development, not only as a soccer player but primarily as a person,” Hodan said. “In terms of soccer, Coach [Bobby] Clark and the coaching staff were incredible. They were really helpful and helped me develop as a player.”

He led the Irish in goals during the 2014 season with nine and scored a total of 29 in 87 games. That tally includes both of the goals in Notre Dame’s 2-0 against New Mexico in the 2013 NCAA semifinal to send the Irish to their first ever national title game, where they defeated Maryland to claim the program’s first championship. Hodan said playing a part in the national championship win was his favorite moment at Notre Dame.

“Winning the national championship my sophomore year was definitely the highlight of my Notre Dame career. That’s an experience that I’ll never forget,” Hodan said.

Hodan said he is excited to play with the Earthquakes.

“I’m really looking forward to my professional career,” Hodan said. “I’m really thankful for that opportunity, and I’m just taking it one step at a time.”

Lachowecki and Hodan’s selections mean Notre Dame has had multiple players selected in the last 10 — and 12 of the last 13 — MLS SuperDrafts, with no players selected in 2006. However, this is the first year since 2011 without a Notre Dame player selected in the first round of the SuperDraft and the first time since 2008 no Irish player was among the top 20 selections.

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a matter of fact, when we subbed Matt Ryan in early in the Boston College game, I think we went on a 9-0 run with that same group. The Iowa game, I thought Matt Ryan was fabulous in that game. We’ve got data on how that group plays. My feeling was let’s look at starting that way — it really opens the floor up. It helps Zach where he can roll down the middle of the floor, it helps our guards be able to drive it and make plays.”

While Cameron Indoor presents a unique atmosphere, Brey said he is banking on his older players guiding Ryan in his first road start.

“I think the biggest thing is to not play too fast when you’re a young guy in that atmosphere,” Brey said. “I think that crowd speeds you up and makes you try and do stuff maybe you shouldn’t do, especially offensively — you try and answer back maybe in the midst of a run.”

Duke, for its part, is 58-1 the past four seasons at Cameron Indoor. This season, five Blue Devil players are averaging double-digit points, led by sophomore guard Grayson Allen at 20.3 points per game. While Duke is ranked in the top-10 in the country and is coming off a national championship, the Blue Devils were tripped up Wednesday when Clemson upset them 68-63 at Clemson.

Brey said results like this in the ACC encourage him as the Irish enter conference play in full force.

“We certainly don’t have it figured out, but not a lot of other people do either,” Brey said. “So let’s just get back and keep practicing, keep plugging. You’re hovering around .500 in this league, you’re going to be in the mix.”

Brey, an assistant with the Blue Devils for eight seasons, will return to Duke when the Irish take on the Blue Devils on Saturday at 2 p.m. at Cameron Indoor Stadium.

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## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | ND 63, BOSTON COLLEGE 50

# Notre Dame uses strong second quarter to top BC

By GREG HADLEY  
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It was never too close but never a blowout either, as No. 3 Notre Dame was bogged down in a slow-paced game against Boston College on the road Thursday night but held on for the 63-50 win.

The Irish (16-1, 5-0 ACC) never trailed against the Eagles (12-4, 0-3), seizing the lead 49 seconds into the game on a layup from senior guard Michaela Mabrey, but they never quite pulled away either, with their largest lead of 18 points coming midway through the third quarter and shrinking from there on out.

Irish head coach Muffet McGraw said before the game she wanted to see her squad get off to a faster start than it has in previous games, but Notre Dame led just 13-12 after the first quarter and shot 35.3 percent from the field over the opening 10 minutes.

"They play a little bit slower pace than we do, so they like to

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*Sophomore forward Brianna Turner surveys her options during Notre Dame's 74-39 home win over Toledo on Nov. 18.*

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Jackson to lead Irish at Duke

By BRIAN PLAMONDON  
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Looking for consecutive wins in ACC play for the first time this season, Notre Dame travels to Cameron Indoor Stadium to take on No. 9 Duke on Saturday.

The Irish (11-5, 2-2 ACC) will return to the venue where they suffered their most lopsided loss last year, falling to the Blue Devils (14-3, 3-1) 90-60 less than two weeks after beating them at home.

"You would hope that now that this nucleus has been in that atmosphere, they won't be as wide-eyed," Irish head coach Mike Brey said.

Despite the blowout last year, Brey said that game was the first time he started to see junior guard Demetrius Jackson as a team leader.

"Pat [Connaughton] and Jerian [Grant] didn't have a lot to say, they were shell-shocked," Brey said. "It was the only time all year that those two guys were shell-shocked, and I loved how Demetrius kind of took the baton so to speak. And I thought the rest of the season, his voice was more

noticeable and more respected."

This season, Jackson has become the focal point for the Irish, averaging 17.1 points per game and adding 5.4 assists per contest, but according to Brey, Jackson's contributions are felt far beyond the stat sheet.

"He's having an unbelievable season for us," Brey said. "Defending, what he [does] on the defensive backboards, rebounding the ball. Wednesday night he really wasn't in a great offensive flow ... [but] some of the plays he made to [senior forward] Zach [Auguste] were key."

Freshman forward Matt Ryan will join Jackson and Auguste in the starting lineup Saturday in what will be his second consecutive start in place of sophomore forward Bonzie Colson. After struggling to find consistency early in the season, Brey decided to make the switch for Wednesday's Georgia Tech game, but he also said the Irish won't look completely different.

"It's not like we haven't played stretches in a game with the group that started," Brey said. "As

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## HOCKEY

# ND resumes conference play

By BRETT O'CONNELL  
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No. 13 Notre Dame returns home this weekend when it hosts Merrimack for a pair of Hockey East tilts at Compton Family Ice Arena.

The Irish (10-4-7, 6-1-2 Hockey East) are one of the hottest teams in college hockey: The team is riding an eight-game unbeaten streak (5-0-3) that stretches back to a 3-1 home victory over Western Michigan in the final game of the Shillelagh Tournament over Thanksgiving weekend. The win streak marks Notre Dame's longest unbeaten stretch since the 2013-2014 season, when the team went 7-0-1 in February and March. The streak is currently tied for the longest active stretch without a loss in the NCAA with No. 1 North Dakota, which holds a perfect 8-0-0 record in the same stretch.

Sophomore goaltender Cal Petersen's play has served a significant role in Notre Dame's

torrid pace. Currently second in the NCAA in shots faced, Petersen has posted a 1.61 goals-against average and a .951 save percentage during Notre Dame's last eight games. Petersen lauded the play of his teammates Wednesday, saying the short holiday break has allowed his team to strive for another level of play.

"The whole team has really taken a step since the break," Petersen said. "The break helped a ton with just resting us and getting us prepared for a solid showing in Denver, and it really showed [against Western Michigan]. We've set the bar for our standards a lot higher."

Petersen also spoke of a certain excitement that accompanied the team in returning home to Compton Family Ice Arena but added the coaching staff has been encouraging the team to bring its away-game grit with it back to its home ice.

"It's nice being home,"

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## MEN'S SOCCER | MLS SUPERDRAFT

# Two selected in second round of MLS SuperDraft



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*Former Irish midfielder Patrick Hodan fights for possession during Notre Dame's 1-0 loss to Syracuse on Nov. 15 at Alumni Stadium.*

By DANIEL O'BOYLE  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame saw two of its 2015 season captains selected in the second round of Thursday's MLS SuperDraft, as defender Max Lachowecki and midfielder Patrick Hodan were selected by Real Salt Lake and the San Jose Earthquakes, respectively.

Lachowecki — who started 85 games for the Irish, including every game of the national championship-winning 2013 season — was selected 25th overall by Real Salt Lake. However, he said he wasn't paying any attention to the draft when his name was announced.

"To be honest, I wasn't even watching," Lachowecki said. "I was so nervous that I was out in my driveway shooting hoops, I didn't even want to watch. My mom was actually watching in the living room and I heard the door open up and she yelled my name, so I only caught the tail

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