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Career outlook promising for 2011

By NICOLE TOCZAUER
News Writer

Last year when senior Caitlin Sullivan contacted an Egyptian marine conservation called Hurghada Environmental Protection and Conservation Association, she didn't expect to have a job lined up after graduation.

Sullivan — who found a posting online — is now in position to become the organization's communications officer. According to Sullivan, the company said it would send the offer and contract this February.

"I'd say I'm more surprised than anything. I didn't actually expect to hear back from this organization, since they're based in Egypt," Sullivan said. "I'm excited about the job."

Seniors are now gearing up for graduation, surveying their options, and choosing which path they will take when May arrives.

Lee Svete, director of the Career Center, said despite economic turbulence in the job market the past few years, Notre Dame students have ridden the current and come out on top.

"There is no sugarcoating it — it's been a tough market out there, one of the most competitive job markets in the history of the modern economy," he said. "Yet, our students did well."

This accomplishment may be attributed to a greater frequency of students using resources from the Career Center.

"We've had almost 4,000 individual appointments in the fall. That's a new record," Svete said. "We're also seeing more sophomores and juniors."

Svete said 90 percent of the class of 2009 had a career opportunity in position after graduation. Once the 2010 statistics are in, he said he expects the percentage to be even higher.

Considering positions for this year, seniors demonstrate a very diverse set of interests Svete said, which will allow

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Eleven arrested at Irish Row

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

A party bust at the Irish Row apartment complex early Friday morning resulted in 11 arrests and about nine citations, according to South Bend police logs.

The roundup is one of the largest since student arrests for underage drinking spiked early in this school year. Police arrested about 70 students through late August and early September, prompting meetings between University officials, student government and the South Bend Police Department in September.

Det. Sgt. Ian McQueen said police received a complaint for a noisy party at the complex on Vaness Street about 1 a.m. Friday. Upon entering the party, the supervising officer decided to arrest minors with a BAC of .05 or higher. Police cited the minors with a lower BAC and allowed them to leave the party. Officers also issued citations for hosting a loud party and contributing to the delinquency minors.

McQueen said the decision to arrest or cite is usually left to the discretion of the arresting officers.

"We responded to a call, and we are duty bound to investigate if we see a crime

ARRESTS

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9 citations
over the weekend



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being committed," McQueen said.

Police also arrested three students early Saturday morning on Notre Dame Avenue for minor consumption, according to police logs.

Police received a complaint after the students banged on the door of a residential house. The students — who said they had previously been at an off-campus party — were taken to the St.

Joseph County Jail.

Vice President for Student Affairs Fr. Tom Doyle said the University and the police department continue to work together on the issue of student arrests.

"We are still actively in communication with multiple community agencies about these matters," he said.

Doyle said he recently met with student body president

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NYU prof. explores language



SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observer

New York University assistant professor Dr. Jonathan Rosa lectures on language ideologies in the United States.

By MEGAN DOYLE
News Writer

The rising Latino population in the United States has been marginalized in an English-speaking society, and Spanish speakers increasingly find themselves as "language-less," according to Dr. Jonathan Rosa of New York University.

Rosa is an assistant professor and faculty fellow in the Department of Social and Cultural Analysis and Latino Studies Program at New York University. His lecture, titled "Spanglish Only? U.S. Language Ideologies and Latino Ethnolinguistic Identities," discussed the way language plays a role in lives of Hispanic Americans.

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Business students compete for fellowship

By CASEY KENNY
News Writer

The Mendoza College of Business has launched the Notre Dame MBA Mini Deep-Dive Challenge — a virtual case competition — where individual participants analyze a contemporary business challenge offered by Green Mountain Coffee Roasters and submit a proposal for judging.

Registration for the challenge opened on Jan. 17 with the deadline for entries of Feb. 4.

The case is presented by Green Mountain Coffee Roasters, the manufacturer of Keurig coffee makers and several coffees, teas and other products. The challenge invites individual participants to explore a real world business challenge, analyze the business problems and propose a solution that has a real impact on a sustainability issue while simultaneously strengthening the company's brand.

The top submissions will be selected by teams of Mendoza faculty and staff and then submitted for review to social responsibility and relations and customer development executives of Green Mountain Coffee Roasters.

The competition is open to anyone, but provides an ideal opportunity for prospective students considering the Mendoza MBA program to glimpse the type of real world case studies offered as part of the program's interterm intensives. These interterm intensives are a signature feature of the Mendoza MBA program and involve concentrated four-day case studies of contemporary issues faced by Fortune 500 companies.

Competition prizes range from a first place grand prize of a \$10,000 fellowship to various second and third place prizes, including Keurig coffee brewers, McDonald's and Adidas gift cards and Notre Dame apparel. In addition, the first 200 contestants who register for the challenge will receive prizes valued at \$30.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHO DO YOU PICK TO WIN THE SUPER BOWL AND BY WHAT SCORE?



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35-14”



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A group of ducks swims in one of the few holes left in the otherwise frozen St. Mary's lake. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will see a break from the snow for the remainder of the week.

OFFBEAT

Medical marijuana users getting pot soft drink

SOQUEL — A California entrepreneur has plans to market a line medical marijuana soft drinks.

Clay Butler says he plans to supply medical marijuana dispensaries with his soda pot, which contains the psychoactive marijuana ingredient THC.

Marijuana drinks are already showing up here and there, but Butler says he thinks his branding savvy will make his product a hit.

Besides his flagship cola drink, Canna Cola, he will also produce Dr. Pepper-like Doc Weed, lemon-lime Sour Diesel,

grape-flavored Grape Ape and orange-flavored Orange Kush.

A 12-ounce bottle will cost \$10 to \$15.

The Soquel-based commercial artist tells the Santa Cruz Sentinel that he doesn't do drugs or need medical marijuana for any ailments.

Tucson restaurant to offer African lion tacos

TUCSON — A Tucson taco restaurant already has served up python, alligator, elk, kangaroo, rattlesnake and turtle.

What's next? Lion meat.

Boca Tacos y Tequila says it's accepting pre-paid orders for African

lion tacos, to be served starting Feb. 16. Orders must be placed by Feb. 7 and owner Bryan Mazon says there are already a few reservations from curious customers.

Mazon says his restaurant started offering exotic tacos on its menu every Wednesday about six months ago and has tried “just about anything we can get our hands on.”

According to the Food and Drug Administration, lion and other game meat can be sold as long as the species isn't endangered.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

James A. Primbs will present the seminar “Linear-quadratic and Receding Horizon Control Methods in Financial Engineering” today at 3:30 p.m. Primbs is an assistant professor in the Department of Management Science and Engineering at Stanford University. The seminar will be given in Room 129 of DeBartolo Hall.

Instructor Training Information Sessions will be held in Room 110 of the Rockne Memorial today at 5:30 p.m. Students are welcome to come to this information session to learn more about becoming a Personal Trainer or Water Safety Instructor.

The documentary “God's Doorkeeper: Saint André Bessette, C.S.C.” will be shown today at 7:30 p.m. in Andrews Auditorium in Geddes Hall. The film is about the simple life of service that led to Saint André Bessette's canonization.

The Social Concerns Fair will take place tomorrow at from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The event will be held in Rooms B034 and B036 of Geddes Hall. Representatives from local service agencies and campus clubs will be present for students to learn more about community involvement.

Melissa Delvecchio will give the lecture “On Campus with Robert A.M. Stern” tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. Delvecchio is a partner with Robert A.M. Stern Architects in New York. The lecture will be given in Bond Hall and will be followed by a reception.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews.nd@gmail.com

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	LOW 17	LOW 17	LOW 20	LOW 21	LOW 22	LOW 11

CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Off-campus issues addressed



Photo courtesy of Suzanna Pratt

Student body president Catherine Soler and student body vice president Andrew Bell lead discussion at Campus Life Council's (CLC) meeting Monday.

By JOHN CAMERON
News Writer

Campus Life Council (CLC) discussed the creation of an off-campus administrator, a role that would provide students with a source of support and information regarding off-campus issues such as police incidents, lease issues and neighbor conflicts at its meeting Monday.

Student body president Catherine Soler said recent off-campus arrests have highlighted the need for a response from student government and the administration.

"This weekend, and on Thursday, there were incidents and more arrests," she said. "We'll be meeting with administrators to talk about a plan going forward."

Chief of staff Nick Ruof said while some resources do exist, they are too decentralized to be effective.

"There's no real support system in case you have [leasing] or

police incidents ... Right now, student government is sort of fulfilling that role," he said. "Other organizations or groups fulfilling the needs of off-campus students are spread around campus."

Fr. Tom Gaughan, Stanford Hall rector, said since many students cite 'du Lac' as their reason for leaving campus, they may respond poorly to the creation of such a position.

"There could be a section of the off-campus population that would sort of be insulted," he said. "What they moved away from was to be away from 'mom'."

Parliamentarian Ben Noe said despite the physical move, students are still connected to the University.

"Even if students are moving off campus, they're not separate, 'du Lac' still applies to students," he said. "If we're going to hold them accountable shouldn't they also have support?"

Sr. Carrine Etheridge, rector of Farley Hall, brought up the need for students to consider trends in police activity when making deci-

sion about socializing off campus.

"I wish our students would get savvy. The police, the [Indiana State] Excise Police, they know our schedule," she said. "They know when there's going to be parties. Learn from that."

Student body vice president Andrew Bell elaborated on the need for proactive as well as reactive measures.

"A lot of our time last semester was spent getting information out," he said. "It's about taking that proactive role in addition to taking those calls Monday morning asking for help."

Lt. Col. Jon Crist, Faculty Senate representative, said there is a danger the position could become a "complaint line."

"I think it would be just an umbrella of resources, less of a complaint line," Soler said. "There's just a lot of things that are gray and I think if one person were in charge of it all, that would be very beneficial."

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SISTAR program offers student research grants

By BRIDGET MEADE
News Writer

Founded in 1991, the Student Independent Study and Research (SISTAR) grant provides Saint Mary's students and faculty members with the opportunity to create eight-week summer research partnerships.

Professor Laura Haigwood, director of the Center for Academic Innovation (CAI), said the grant was established to encourage the collaboration of Saint Mary's students and professors.

"The program was inspired, in part, by the close, collegial, teaching and research relationships that faculty and students develop at SMC," she said. "We wanted to be able to reward and encourage that work."

The grant, which provides the student researchers with housing and a stipend, is funded by donations.

Haigwood said Maryjeanne Ryan Burke, a 1956 graduate of Saint Mary's College, is a large contributor to the program. Haigwood said the Burke endowment is offered to specifically qualified professors.

"The Burke SISTAR is reserved for full-time, tenure-track faculty who are not yet tenured, and it has proved an outstanding research, teaching and learning opportunity for them and for their students," she said.

Outside of the Burke SISTAR grant, the prerequisites for student and faculty applicants are much more imprecise, Haigwood said. The program is open to all full-time students and faculty of all studies.

Haigwood said although the number of applicants varies greatly from year to year, the grant is usually awarded to four student-faculty research partnerships. The grant is typically presented to a rising senior.

The application process includes an interview and a written proposal. According to Haigwood, the CAI grant committee makes the award decisions. The committee is chaired by Haigwood and includes five other faculty members that are elected by the Faculty Assembly.

Last year's four award recipients were selected from a variety of departments.

Senior Ashley Feely worked with Sociology Professor Mary Ann Kanieski on a project entitled "Emerging Patterns in Relationships Between Mothers and Their Adult Children: Examining Mothers' Self-Constructed

Identity."

Fellow senior Megan Griffin partnered with Political Science Professor Patrick Pierce on a study called "Race to the Top: The Political Economy of State Tax Incentives for Business."

Brynn Thomas, also a Saint Mary's senior, collaborated with Professor Susan Latham on a communicative disorders project.

Senior Alyssa Klubeck teamed up with history professor David Stefanic on a project called "Women in Revolution: Comparing Women in the French and Irish Revolutions."

Klubeck said the experience was beneficial on an educational and professional level, as well as being enjoyable.

"It was an incredible amount of fun to work so closely with one of my favorite professors and gain the experience of working with a professional academic," Klubeck said.

The grant also supports travel and related expenses for the student to attend a professional conference in the next academic year. Stefanic and Klubeck were able to present their study at a conference in Nebraska this fall.

Haigwood said the idea behind the grant is to give students the opportunity to work side-by-side in a study with a professor, rather than as an assistant.

"We want [the faculty and the student] to work together as genuine peers," Haigwood said. "SISTAR students are generally more like graduate students than undergraduates in their collaborative work with faculty. We want her to be a co-researcher, or an independent peer researcher."

With aspirations to attend graduate school, Klubeck said she recognized the opportunity the SISTAR grant offered her. However, Klubeck said the program gave her more than just a resume boost.

"While research and writing were invaluable, I found what I learned from Dr. Stefanic as a mentor in my work was a great opportunity," she said. "I think that is what the SISTAR program really has going for it. The connections it builds between students and professors to work together and learn from each other are unparalleled."

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Laura Haigwood
director
Center for Academic Innovation


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Alyssa Klubeck
senior

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January 24, 7:30 p.m.

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Andrews Auditorium in Geddes Hall
January 25, 7:30 p.m.

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them to do anything with their career if they plan it out.

Senior Katie Valko said planning has created many options for her to choose from.

“I’m taking the LSAT next month as a kind of last minute whim decision just to see how I do,” Valko said.

“I feel like I’ve set myself up well to succeed in whatever I pursue and have a lot of doors open. I think Notre Dame has really helped me to do that.”

Svete said many students, like Valko, have several options they are looking into.

“We’re seeing a real interest right now with working with non-profits, government, healthcare, financial services and corporate headquarters in retail,” he said.

Most noticeably, however, is a shift in student interest toward service organizations, Svete said. Over 200 students followed this path after graduation last year.

“Students are very focused on finding the right kind of employer and organizations who are socially responsible,” he said. “They forgo a higher paying job because they want to make a difference in the world.”

For seniors still searching,

Svete said more recruiters will be on campus.

“Recruiting is up about 20 percent compared to last year,” he said. “We think that it looks, in terms of economic reports, that more employers will be posting jobs.”

Svete said while Notre Dame attracts many employers, if students apply to companies online, they can also work with the Career Center to prepare.

“Let’s say you want to work for ESPN. You can apply on the ESPN website, but why not also work with an alumni who is right there in Connecticut?” Svete said. “That gives you the leg up.”

Professional contacts makes an individual more successful in a job search said Svete. He cites practice for interviews as a key distinguisher between candidates.

“If you have an interview with the L.A. Times, come in and do it with us first,” he said. “Know your strengths and your weaknesses and your personal goals.”

Any Notre Dame student, Svete said, can begin to prepare. This preparation can help soothe any worries in the process.

Senior Kim Duffy said she remembers feeling nervous while completing applications and interviews. The tension before

Notre Dame Students’ Future Plans

	Full-time Employment	Graduate/ Professional School	Service Program	Military	Seeking Employment	Other Plans
Architecture	56%	0%	3%	0%	38%	3%
Arts and Letters	32%	34%	22%	2%	6%	3%
Business	79%	14%	2%	2%	3%	0%
Engineering	63%	21%	5%	5%	5%	1%
Science	18%	68%	8%	2%	3%	1%
TOTAL	44%	34%	12%	2%	5%	3%

Results for the Class of 2009 from a 2010 Career Center Survey
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receiving work as a railroad designer in Anchorage, AK for Hanson Professional Services is difficult to describe, she said.

“A horrible ‘what if’ bubbles up from your self conscious when you are least prepared,” she said. “What if no one calls me back? What if I hate my first job?”

To counteract these worries, Svete said students should begin early.

“Network and have a LinkedIn group — which is like the Facebook of professionals and is

18,000 strong — develop your contact network, write your résumé, talk to professors and use Career Center resources,” he said.

The Career Center has counselors for every major and will work with students who don’t have jobs upon graduation.

“At graduation we will know the names of individuals seeking jobs,” he said. “If you graduate from ND without a job, we have staff in place for that.”

Students often avoid visiting

the Career Center in Flanner Hall, Svete said, because they don’t have a specific career in mind.

“You don’t have to know what you want to do. Come over and use us anyway,” he said. “By going to fairs, networking with alumni and realizing you’re going to get some rejections along the way, those experiences will help you down the road.”

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Arrests

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Catherine Soler and vice president Andrew Bell to outline goals for the coming semester, and the safety of students off campus remains a priority.

The student arrests this week are a reminder that fostering a healthy relationship

between the city and the students requires continued attention, Doyle said.

"I think it is accurate to say that the University and its students have made significant progress since last summer," he said. "But we cannot take for granted the fragile place that we have come from."

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Spanglish

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Rosa collected research from New Northwest High School, a Chicago public high school whose student body is more than 90 percent Mexican and Puerto Rican.

The difference between Mexican and Puerto Rican Spanish was apparent in the Spanish-speaking community, but was not recognized by individuals who only spoke English, Rosa

said. English-speakers tended to group all Spanish-speakers together into one Latino category.

"Here is a symbolic relationship in which Latinos are imagined to embody the Spanish language and the Spanish language becomes emblematic of Latinos," he said.

Rosa said he interviewed many students from the high school about their language background. These students said the differences in pronunciation and rhythm between Puerto Rican and Mexican Spanish was acute.

In an English-dominated society, native Spanish speakers are marginalized no matter what their background, he said.

"Latinos can be doubly stigmatized through their presumed lack of English and Spanish language proficiency," Rosa said.

The term "bilingual" no longer means being proficient in two languages but instead deficiency in one

language, he said.

"As people who are expected to speak a language but then are understood to speak no language properly, Latinos are positioned as a linguistic inferior," Rosa said.

Rosa also said Latinos, even when speaking unaccented English, are stereotyped because others automatically associate their race with a language they do not understand. Some Latinos then pronounce Spanish words with an English

accent or use the Spanish-English combination of "Spanglish."

"Competing forces require Latinos to signal that they are acceptable other by speaking Spanish in English without being heard to possess an accent," he said. "Latinos manage these demands by integrating English and Spanish forms in newfound ways that signal their linguistic dexterity."

These linguistic problems are challenges for young people like the students at New Northwest High School as they move into adulthood and a professional, English-dominated world.

"The expectation that Latinos should be proficient in English and Spanish ultimately stigmatizes them in relation to the two languages simultaneously and positions them as having no language."

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Coffee

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With such prizes on the line, interest and participation are expected to be high.

"We have seen a huge response thus far," said Brian Lohr, director of Notre Dame MBA admissions. "There is a lot of energy surrounding the competition and it seems to be resonating with a lot of people."

The competition illustrates the mutual benefits derived from partnering with a major global corporation.

"The value of the program is that it gives students a glimpse into case analysis," Lohr said. "It really is a win-win in that students get to see what an MBA program is like and the corporate partners get to evaluate potential real-world solutions to problems."

The case briefing will be available to registrants online at the Notre Dame Mini Deep-Dive Challenge website today. The website will also feature videos that follow a team that competed in a similar competition in the fall.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Concentration

I used to have extraordinary concentration. The summer after second grade, I sat on my bed and read an entire set of American Girl books in one go, from “Meet Felicity” all the way to “Changes for Felicity.” Then I would carry on the story with my Felicity doll for hours afterwards.

When I was older and too old to chain-read five books about a spunky, spritely girl growing up on the eve of the Revolutionary War, I was writing elaborate historical fiction of my own. I would type away at the family computer for hours, delving into all kinds of preteen angst set in pioneer times or Victorian England, until my mom kicked me off so she could use the accounting program.

My transformation from single-minded, streamlined completion machine to a lazy whiner surviving on haphazard fits-and-starts began in freshman year of high school, when our home internet connection became fast enough to make procrastinating effortless and instantaneous. Whereas I used to just power through my moments of writers’ block or boredom, I started taking those little windows of brain inactivity and shoving them full of Internet junk food.

Now? I can barely get through The Observer, let alone an entire novel. I suffer from a compound affliction — delusionally confident in my ability to cram and a crippling fear of actually starting anything because I know I’ll probably end up having to stay up to 5 a.m. to finish it. I doubt I have ADD — I’m just utterly incapable of conjuring up motivation.

In the marathon of college coursework — reading and writing and analyzing and synthesizing — I’ve convinced myself I don’t have the endurance for full-length, full-attention anything anymore, so I slow down from my laborious, stumbling jog (attempting a thesis sentence), sit down on a park bench (pull up Twitter) and let myself settle back into consumption without activity.

As I went into the month-long winter break (my last such respite, since I’m a senior and will forever abandon school calendars in May), I had every intention of reading like a maniac. I haven’t read a book for fun since the summer, so I went into the Tippecanoe County Public Library in my Indiana hometown and pulled out 12 books of varying lengths and topics. With four weeks of freedom ahead of me, I thought for sure I’d at least get through seven or eight of them.

Eh, not so much. I finished “Resurrection,” about Ara Parseghian’s first season, and “Hungry,” a memoir by the model Crystal Renn, in a flash, but mostly because I was stuck in the Denver airport for 29 hours during Christmas travel with nothing else to do. But once I got back to Indiana, I never did get past the first few pages of the other ten library books.

I really need to get a handle on this attention-span thing, since I’m diving into the real world of journalism soon and probably need to be able to focus on earning a paycheck and all that.

Maybe I’ll be okay if I can somehow only work out of the United terminal in the Denver airport — it’s a veritable incubator for concentration. I could have written a senior thesis on the American Girl books in that hell hole.

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Scene Editor

University deserves ‘LGBT-unfriendly campus’ trophy

Let me begin by stating clearly, I am a heterosexual male who loves Notre Dame as much as anyone on campus and believes ardently in the purpose of the school to promote Catholic values and educate at the highest level. It is precisely due to my love of this University that I am so disturbed that while we pride ourselves in topping lists across academia and athletics, we continue to be public champions for homophobia. The Princeton Review consistently ranks Notre Dame among the worst in accepting the homosexual community. In 2010 we were fourth on their list of “Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Unfriendly” campuses. Easy and painless reforms can be made this year to move in a more tolerant direction that do not challenge the Catholic DNA of Our Lady’s University.

This article is not an attempt to debate the morality of homosexuality, but a request that we treat the homosexual students, faculty and staff on campus with the basic respect Catholic teachings demand every human being deserves. After all, the University’s mission statement reads that students shall develop a “disciplined sensibility to the poverty, injustice and oppression that burden the lives of so many.” Today, university officials can fire an employee on the charges that he or she is gay. Also, AllianceND — a student organization that would be an authentic voice for both gay and straight students to support the LGBT community on campus — has been denied club status 14 years consecutively after support has been demonstrated each year. It is incomprehensible why the University is willing to portray itself as homophobic for

not making two basic changes. No one is asking for Notre Dame to be the most accepting school in the nation, but is it too much to ask to not place last?

A coalition of students and faculty are proposing that sexual orientation be added to the non-discrimination clause that currently reads, “The University of Notre Dame does not discriminate on the basis of race/ethnicity, color, national origin, sex, disability, veteran status or age in the administration of any of its employment, educational programs, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletics, recreational and other school-administered programs.” It is unclear to me the fear the University has in changing this policy. The Catholic teaching on the subject according to Notre Dame is, “the Church does not say that the homosexual orientation is wrong; rather, it is sexual activity between same sex persons that is ‘objectively disordered’ and therefore sinful. Consequently, the Church says that homosexuals are called to life-long celibacy.” If the Church does not believe homosexual orientation is wrong, what stands in the way of adding sexual orientation to the non-discrimination clause? Any violation of University code of conduct on sexual behavior can continue to be cause for firing or punishment whether it is hetero- or homosexual. Leaving sexual orientation out of the non-discrimination clause is not consistent with the Church’s stance or the mission of the University.

Notre Dame requires approval for all student group activities, including protests or demonstrations. If a club holds an event without approval, club status can be revoked. Even with that level of administrative control over student club activity the University continues to deny its students the right to form AllianceND. AllianceND is “a forum in which gay and straight students can meet and form friendships, discuss and present important issues related to tolerance and solidarity within the broader University community, and find common ground in a

supportive, respectful, comfortable atmosphere.” I am at a loss to understand the controversy behind that mission, particularly after reading the U.S. Catholic Bishops letter Always Our Children: A Pastoral Message to Parents of Homosexual Children and Suggestions for Pastoral Ministers that promotes a loving dialogue and attitude of acceptance between heterosexual and homosexual members of the Catholic faith community. The bishops write, “It is not sufficient only to avoid unjust discrimination. Homosexual persons must be accepted with respect, compassion and sensitivity.” Often, University officials cite the existence of the Core Council as a reason to exclude the AllianceND club. While Core Council is an important part of the University community, it is directly administrated by Notre Dame staff and members must be accepted through an application process. Notre Dame needs to entrust its LGBT students and straight allies with same rights of forming an organization within Catholic values that thousands of students enjoy in the more than 300 student clubs.

So join us Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Sorin Room of LaFortune for the kick-off informational event for the petition, or simply sign the petition when you get the opportunity to support changes in ND’s non-discrimination clause and the inclusion of AllianceND. As a proud member of the Notre Dame family, I ask the administration to be respectful to all its students, faculty and staff by acknowledging the petition and ending two discriminatory policies that do not reflect the strength of the Catholic character of the University.

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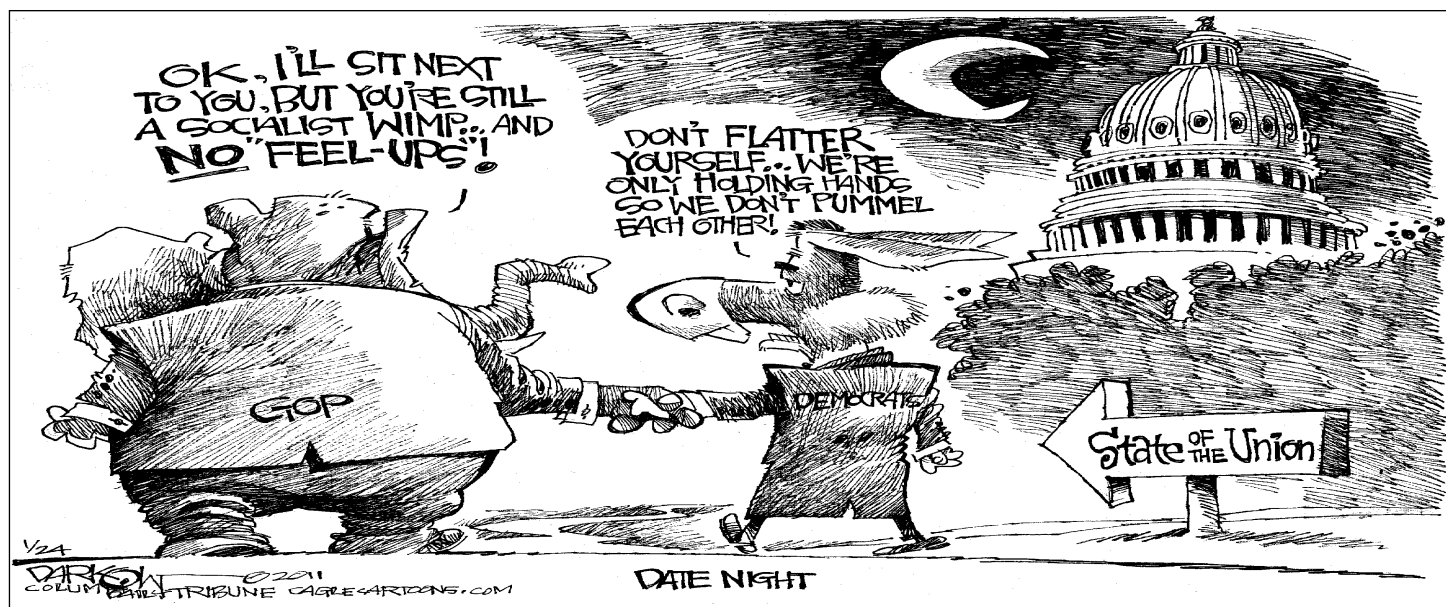
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In Pursuit of Social Justice

EDITORIAL CARTOON



QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Inspiration is wonderful when it happens, but the writer must develop an approach for the rest of the time ... The wait is simply too long.”

Leonard Bernstein
U.S. composer and conductor

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“A fellow who is always declaring he’s no fool usually has his suspicions.”

Wilson Mizner
U.S. screenwriter

Ask the GreenMan

Dear GreenMan,
There's a coal power plant just a few hundred yards from where I work! It sprays soot into the air, covering my windowsill with dust on warm Summer days and turning pristine snow into a dirty grey in the middle of Winter. And, even worse, it emits sulfur dioxide, mercury, nitrogen oxides and carbon dioxide, along with a host of small quantities of other unhealthy and toxic materials. What can I, as an individual in my daily life, do to shut down this coal power plant and replace it with a cleaner, healthier and more sustainable source of electricity?
Sincerely,
Dan
Graduate Student
Department of Philosophy

Dear Dan,
As a reader of this newspaper, I presume you are referring to our much beloved campus power plant, which does indeed rely on coal as its primary fuel source.
While it is unlikely that the soot on your windowsill came from this plant (whose particulate matter emissions are consistently below EPA thresholds by a significant margin), you are absolutely correct that by burning coal, the plant releases significant quantities of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and

carbon dioxide. There is no doubt that coal power plants are unsustainable, relying on a depletable resource that emits more carbon dioxide per unit of energy produced than any other fuel.
You ask what you can do as an individual to entirely shut this plant down, and the answer is that quite frankly, acting alone, you are unlikely to make any progress toward the goal of shutting down this, or any other, coal-fired power plant. Sure, you could write letters and make phone calls, but the odds that the discontent of a single consumer will persuade a power plant to close or change its fuel source are not in your favor, my friend.
But fear not, dear Dan! Collective action is proving more and more effective against coal interests. In fact, 2010 was recently dubbed "The Year the Tide Turned Against Coal" — and with good reason! Movements like the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal Campaign helped ensure that in the past year zero new coal plants began construction, thirty-eight proposals for new coal plants were either abandoned or defeated and forty-eight coal plants announced their impending retirement.
One of the forces driving these achievements has been student activism. Students on several major university campuses have

secured coal-free commitments from their universities. Perhaps it's time Notre Dame students made an effort to make this campus coal-free. It will need to be a collective effort, to be sure, but that effort will begin with an individual. That individual could be you.
Victories like these have contributed to the increased presence of renewable energy sources providing power on the U.S. electric grid. As a result, the majority of U.S. consumers now have the option to either pay a small premium per kilowatt-hour to source their electricity with renewable sources through their current utility, or switch to a utility provider that uses entirely renewable sources.
While choosing a utility provider is not necessarily an option for students on a college campus, it's certainly something to consider in the future, as we move beyond "the bubble." Here are a couple helpful tools to help you assess and improve the "cleanliness" of your electricity:
Using your zip code and utility provider's name, the EPA's online Power Profiler will break down your region's fuel mix and help you calculate your home's annual CO2, NOx, and SO2 emissions. The Department of Energy's Green Power Network makes it easy to find out if buying green power is an option in your area, by listing any state-spe-

cific utility green pricing programs, as well as all nationally-available renewable energy certificates.
There are other ways that you, as an individual, can take a stand against coal. Check the products you buy for labels like Greene-e and WindMade™ that indicate a company's commitment to renewable energy sources.
Always and above all, the most significant thing you can do as an individual to reduce the harmful emissions from power plants is to simply reduce your electricity demand. If you know your energy is dirty, use less of it! Unplug unnecessary chargers, set your computer to sleep, and watch Jersey Shore reruns together with your friends instead of separately (this also has the wonderful side-effect of making you feel less ashamed of your love for the train wreck known as Snooki).
Reaching for renewables,
The GreenMan

Have a question about the environment or how to go green in your personal life? Wondering about the ethics of dating someone who drives a Hummer? Curious about eco-friendly purchasing options? The GreenMan will be here every other week to answer your questions: email askthegreenman@gmail.com

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Promoting peace

Dear Notre Dame students,
Thank you for recently participating in the Playing for Peace 3v3 Basketball Tournament and STAND with SUDAN Peace Rally on Dec. 4! This month, millions of southern Sudanese peacefully participated in a referendum to decide whether to remain united with the rest of Sudan or to secede and form a new nation. Your involvement and concern is shared by representatives of the U.S. government and Congress, United Nations, African Union, European Union and even Hollywood celebrities.

Your efforts to promote peace in Sudan are appreciated by all of us who share that goal and work to achieve it. Looking at my Alma Mater from here in Khartoum, where I am working with USAID, I am proud to see your healthy civic engagement. Keep up the good work!
In Notre Dame,

Edward Ebert
alumnus
Class of 1999
Jan. 24

Stay classy ...

Dear anonymous D6-using car owner,
I know not who you are, and I hope I never again meet you. I would, however, like to thank you. Not only did you attempt (and fail) to take two parking spots for your own vehicle, but you also managed to hit my own car with your door. Now, any decent human would have contacted parking services, left their insurance card or anything of the like. You, however, did none of these. Instead, judging from the three scuff marks and crack in my

mirror, you took a second and a third swing with your door and then left.
Sir or madam, thank you for your work. You are a classy and respectful individual and have put me \$290 in debt. Just know, from now on I intend to make a daily trip to the lot and record everybody's license plate numbers.

Oliver Chmell
junior
Morrissey Manor
Jan. 24

UWIRE

Copyright vs. ownerwhip: The right to jailbreak

The infamous hacker George Hotz, a.k.a. "Geohot," has been sued by Sony of America for publishing tools and information which can be utilized to "jailbreak" (override the software limitations of) the PlayStation 3 video game console.
Sony alleges that Hotz' tools, by enabling gamers to play illegally copied games, encourage copyright infringement in violation of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. Hotz' case reflects a very hotly debated question in the courts today: Who really owns a PS3?
The after-market modification of electronic devices is not new to Sony or other electronic device manufacturers. Sony first experienced console modification with the original PlayStation, as some gamers would modify the console's hardware in order to play illegally copied games burned on rewritable CDs. Not long after, Microsoft's Xbox console became a popular target of modification due to a game save vulnerability which allowed gamers to pirate and modify games. Today, virtually every company creating electronic devices has to worry about some form of end-user modification: Hotz is also responsible for "jail-breaking" Apple's iPhone, which allows the phone to use different cell phone networks and Apple-prohibited applications.
17 United States Code §1201 prohibits

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the circumvention of "technological measure[s]" that "effectively control access" to copyrighted material. The Library of Congress provided an exemption to this statute for hackers like Hotz in 2010, after Apple sought to sue those who "jailbroke" their iPhones. In order for his PS3 modifications to fall under this exemption, Hotz must show that his hacking was for interoperability — that is, that his modifications allow the PS3 to operate with different programs and do not facilitate copyright infringement. Though Hotz does claim he made a "specific effort" to avoid enabling piracy, his modifications nevertheless provided the tools for others to pirate, and if Sony can prove others are using Hotz's tools to illegally copy games, they may win their case.
Hotz's case represents a hotly debated legal issue in the courts today: The scope of ownership of electronic devices. As Hotz and many others would argue, someone who purchases an electronic device like a PS3 has unrestricted access to their device: They can play it, hack it or even throw it off a cliff. This type of complete ownership would allow consumers the unconditional right to modify their devices, even if modifications would enable potential copyright infringement. Companies like Sony would argue that parts of the device — the built-in limitations and code in particular — are still the property of the manufacturer and are thus illegal to tamper with. As such, the

consumer is more like a licensee, who may enjoy a device only in the manner prescribed by the manufacturer.
The difference in these "scopes of ownership" means quite a bit to the everyday person: If companies can still control their devices after selling them, they can disable or change them at their leisure. Apple recently patented a method to remotely disable iPhones and iPads that exhibit "suspicious behavior," which could be used to remotely disable modified iPhones and iPads without warning. Microsoft used similar methods to remotely disable modified Xbox 360 consoles last year. If left unchecked, users who have modified their electronic devices or use their devices "incorrectly" may soon find these devices remotely disabled by secretive "updates" or changes without warning.
Though these methods seem draconian, there are non-copyright-related reasons why companies like Sony and Apple may wish to employ them. In many cases, modified devices can have a detrimental effect on the quality of provided services. "Jailbroken" iPhones enable network tools that have the potential to heavily tax AT&T networks, seriously harming other consumers' iPhone capabilities. Modifications to the Xbox allowed gamers to easily cheat at popular online games, harming legitimate online competition. Theoretically, some form of post-purchase control is necessary to ensure all

consumers can enjoy their products as originally developed — the debate, of course, is over how much control is really necessary.
So who really owns a PS3 or other privately purchased electronic devices? That question may soon be answered by the courts. A remarkably similar World of Warcraft-related tampering case may be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court, as federal courts currently disagree regarding whether or not a copyright owner can sue when a consumer circumvents copyright protection without infringing copyright law. Even with such a case, the battle between consumer autonomy and copyright protection rages on, and it will take much more time, litigation and legislation in order to fully answer questions regarding scopes of ownership. Nevertheless, for the time being, some things are certain: hackers like Hotz will continue to do new and innovative things with technology that toe the line of legality, and electronic device manufacturers will constantly be seeking new methods to protect their proprietary interests in the ever-changing world of electronic devices.

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Notre Dame Royalty?

The mystery and magic of Charles Duff

By ADRIANA PRATT
Associate Scene Editor

Salacious gossip surrounds the life of a man who grew up behind the stone walls of a vast manor. A peer of Prince Charles who met the likes of Laurence Olivier as a child, Charles Duff, professor of London Theatre at the University of Notre Dame's London Programme, has spent his life in a whirlwind of royal company and theatrical prominence.

A man known for his work in places ranging from the Booker T. Washington High School to the Globe Theatre itself, Duff's career path is enough to spark genuine interest in the tales he has to share. But none have quite grabbed headlines like the rumor that has defined him on the international stage — that Charles Duff is the illegitimate child of Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon and sister of Queen Elizabeth II.

Duff's childhood was a time of mystery, magic and challenging moments, a topic he plans to explore in his upcoming book currently titled "Sex, Slate, and Snowdon." In this recollection of what took place behind the walls of the Welsh Faenol Estate where he grew up, Duff will reveal secrets he has held onto for years including details about the estranged marriage between his adopted parents, Sir Michael Duff and Lady Caroline Paget.

Sir Michael Duff was the godfather of Princess Margaret's husband, Lord of Snowdon, Antony Armstrong-Jones, a connection that helped fuel the rumors of Charles Duff's connection with the Princess. BBC Two Wales even filmed a documentary about Duff's visit back to his childhood estate called "Faenol — Secrets Behind the Wall," hoping to discover the truth about his parental lineage.

"I did know Princess Margaret because she was married to my father's godson ... and I liked her very much too. I mean, she was a difficult woman and very clever, and very bright, and very complicated, very difficult, very tricky. Great fun ... I saw her in fact not long before she died and she was very sweet to me," Duff said.

Duff remained hesitant to disclose too much information, but did tell of his complicated early life as the only child of two parents who lived apart. Duff's mother sent him to boarding school hoping to give him a more child-friendly atmosphere to grow up in, but Duff said he abhorred the experience.

Duff spent years as a rebellious school child, getting into trouble for things like drinking, lying and being sent home for bad behavior. It was hard for him to connect with those at school and also difficult to feel happy at home, but his parents would not let him drop out. As a last-ditch effort, Duff eventually enrolled in an American school in Tangiers, a country he called "the center of drug culture."

"I longed to smoke dope and you know, be a hippie, but I lived with a very respectable couple on the old mountain, an American man and his English wife. They went to church every Sunday and

behaved themselves."

Duff said he avoided the temptations of the decadent lifestyle around him, and went on to school at Bristol where he trained as an actor. He worked at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts, did a few fringe films and some small parts on television, then moved on to direct and teach.

He then served as Vice Principal of the London Theatre School, wrote a book called "The Lost Summer: The Heyday of the West End" and also worked as a journalist for many years. Duff wrote a regular column for the U.K. publication "Harpers and Queen," today known as Harper's Bazaar, and also wrote for the "Observer" and the "Spectator."

Duff spent seven years teaching Shakespeare on and off to kids across America at schools ranging from the Booker T. Washington school in Tulsa to high end prep schools like St. Mark's in Dallas. He described going from schools where cops monitored the area to schools where wealthy kids had their own personal bodyguards. His time teaching Americans helped him develop a special love for his neighbors across the pond.

"Really so much which is good in my life has come about through America and through Americans and I've always been, you know, so deeply grateful for that. And now, I have to say that I haven't worked with British people since 1992 or 1994. I've only worked with Americans. I'm the resident sort of British character in American universities. Here [in London], I'm considered a great expert on American education," he said.

Duff's love for teaching originally started out as a passionate hatred for school. The only subject he could really connect with was theatre, something his family had been involved in for generations. When Duff saw "Peter Pan" on stage as a young child, he knew where he belonged.

"I think that the minute I went into the old Scarlet Theatre ... I knew that's where I wanted to spend my life ... I think I felt I belonged there and I felt at home there. And it was a world of absolute magic. I loved the curtain going up. I loved the illusion of the theatre and I still do ... I love the magic of it. I love the 'let's pretend.'"

Duff's involvement with the University of Notre Dame began during his turn as a summer course instructor for American academics at the Globe Theatre. He began teaching a one-credit London program course and eventually became the London Theatre professor at Notre Dame, which he still teaches today.

Shakespeare holds a special place in Duff's heart and it's the beauty of Shakespeare's writing that has allowed him to connect with such diverse groups of people.

"He [Shakespeare] knows that there's always humanity in the center of the worst person. And there's always a self-interest and a callousness at the center of the best person. We're a mixture, aren't we? All of us are," Duff said.

Today Duff's life consists mainly of aca-

demics and the theatre, but there was a point when he was surrounded by high society members, including the Queen mum and her daughters. So was this man the illegitimate child of Princess Margaret, and thus someone who could stake his claim as a successor to the throne of England?

"I think you can say, you might say, that the Princess Margaret rumor is not true. I think that's enough. That's enough for the moment ... I'm not Princess Margaret's son ... That documentary was made, BBC Wales made it because they thought they had that scoop. They thought it was going to be the scoop of the year."

Duff said there had always been a rumor that Princess Margaret had an illegitimate child with a man called Group Captain Peter Townsend. If Duff were the princess's son, she would have been 19 when she gave birth and therefore fairly young.

Another man picked up the claim that he was Princess Margaret's son and ran with the theory, eventually taking the case to court. Robert Brown, an accountant from Jersey, brought what the "Telegraph" reported in 2007 to be the first ever court challenge to the practice of "sealing" Royal wills.

Brown asked that the Royal Family's will be opened to see if he had been mentioned as a descendant of Princess Margaret. In England, the Royal wills are the only ones in the country that are not open to public access.

Brown's case was closed when he lost his High Court bid to see the will of the Princess. He tried to pursue a connection with Duff after he learned of the BBC Two Wales documentary, attempting to claim that the two were brothers and they must try to be accepted by the Royal Family. Duff would have none of it.

"I had to wash my hands. He was a real pest and he kept ringing me up and he kept trying to, you know, get me as an ally and try to get me involved in this beastly court case," Duff said.

The question still remained, though, how the BBC came across Duff. When asked, Duff paused for the first time in his 56-minute monologue.

He reminisced on the unlikelihood of his parents' marriage to produce a child given their separate lives and varying preferences. It almost seemed as though Duff was trying to solve the equation aloud as he explained his involvement in the rumor.

"I think that it probably started because nobody saw me 'til I was about three or four, so there was all this rumor. This baby arrived and this baby was being kept very secret and there was a reason for this baby being kept very secret.

"And one of these which was then fed by journalists in North Wales was that I was a royal baby. But I wasn't and I don't think I was being kept secret. But I was brought up on an estate with a thousand acres. I mean there was a wall encircling a thousand acres. We didn't need to go out. I think it was just- people gossip about strange things.

"I'm not, you know, I'm not Princess Margaret's son. I wish to God I was. I'd make a lot of money out of it."

Duff's assurances that he was not linked to the Princess seemed careful and calculated, but altogether not entirely convincing, though the motives are various and wide-ranging.

Duff did not have a DNA test done and does not plan on pursuing one.

"Obviously I do know that Princess Margaret's children do know who I am. So if I went to Princess Margaret's son David Lindley, I probably would be able to [test his DNA], but I haven't done it and I'm not going to do it because I'm satisfied in my own mind that I'm not Princess Margaret's son."

Duff said though that he would not reveal what made him so sure until what he described as his "tell-a-lot" book was published.

Other rumors surround Duff's parentage, but Duff was equally as mysterious when asked for the details.

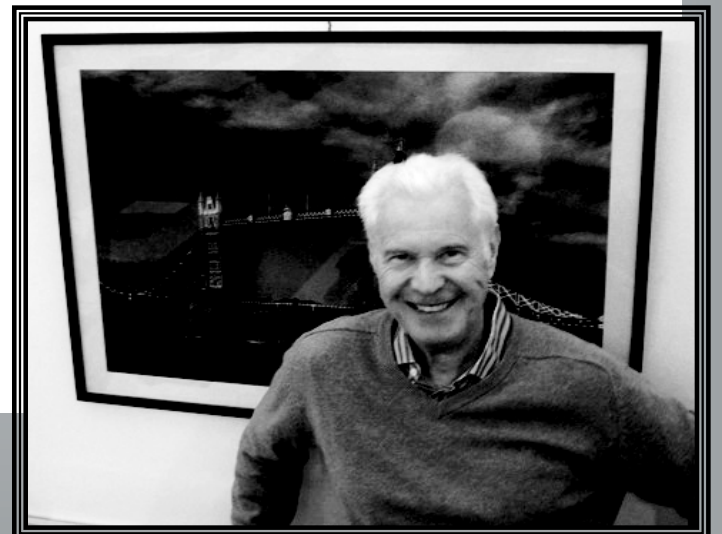
"I don't know. they're very interesting. I think, I mean my other rumors were that my father was ... various people who were prominent or semi-prominent. And they may be true or they may not be true."

When asked if he knew which rumor was true, Duff said: "Yes, I think I do. I'm not sure actually, but I think I do."

Though he said he would rather remain a man of mystery and not spill his secrets until the publication of his book, he did admit that he spent a lot of time with royalty growing up and attended school with Prince Charles, who is a year older than him. He offered sentiments on the Royal Family, but said he was disillusioned because of his adopted father's obsession with them throughout Duff's life.

"It's a very odd thing to be royal. It's a very odd thing to be considered so special, isn't it?" Duff said.

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food FOR THOUGHT by Nathaniel Lee

Campus has settled into the routine of second semester, and memories of Christmas break are slowly drifting away. What's left is a campus that is cold, dark and covered in snow. Gone from campus are the joyful romps on the quad, the games and laughter as young people played in the wondrous wintery blanket, illuminated by the dazzling background of Christmas lights. Now the elements have gone from old friend to bitter enemy, and to make things worse, the dining halls have already returned to being monotonous and stale. This week's recipes should solve both of these problems.

Nathaniel Lee

Scene Writer

Puppy Chow

- 1) Melt half a cup of chocolate chips in the microwave until smooth.
- 2) Add a heaping spoonful of peanut butter and blend until creamy.
- 3) Add two cups of Cinnamon Life cereal.
- 4) Mix well, covering the cereal thoroughly and evenly in the chocolate mixture.
- 5) Allow five minutes to cool, stirring occasionally to keep cereal from sticking together.
- 6) Add half a cup of powdered sugar, mix well to coat the cereal in powdered sugar.

Makes two servings. Best served with a glass of milk.

Cookie Sandwiches

- 1) Take two slices of bread and spread one side with smooth peanut butter and the other with jelly.
- 2) Warm one chocolate chip cookie in the microwave for 20 seconds.
- 3) Place the cookie in between the slices of bread.
- 4) Toast and warm the entire sandwich in a panini machine or conveyor-belt toaster, depending on your dining hall.

Best served with a glass of milk, also good for take-out.

Dinner Discussion: Cold Weather Tips

The stinging wind, sub-zero temperatures and impassable fields of snow seem to make even the simplest of tasks impossible. Walking to class, a trip across the quad or even the trek to the dining hall is daunting. The recipes today are rich, chocolaty and will warm you to the bone, and there are other tricks you can use to keep warm in the face of the permacloud.

Finding a route to class that goes through other buildings will certainly add time to your commute, but will allow you to avoid many of the most treacherous spots on campus. O'Shag is a great way to move across South Quad while avoiding the wind tunnel. LaFortune is long, warm, and full of places to get a warm coffee or bite to eat.

The combination of Riley, Nieuwland and Stepan Chemistry Building provides many warm-walk options. Try to find even a brief respite somewhere on your path such as the Howard tunnel, Cushing, the entrance to South Dining Hall and any dorms that you can pass through.

Many of us know that layering is a key to dressing warm, but it can be difficult to do while trying to keep up some semblance of style. Wearing thermals or leggings under jeans is a warm alternative to sweatpants, but anyone who tries this knows that once you are seated in your 75-degree classroom, they become a prison of heat.

A good alternative is to wear removable leggings that come off as you get inside. These leg warmers will work effectively outside, can be easily taken off in a sneaky way once you get indoors and give your legs a breather in the sauna of Debart. Most importantly, they allow you to keep your dignity and your real pants.

Finally, even the chilliest of dorm rooms and most depressed roommates can be cured with a good ol' fashioned blanket fort. The idea is simple enough; attach the ends of blankets to anything up high, be it lofted beds, ladders, bookshelves or futons. Cushion the ground with more blankets, pillows and mattresses. Make sure to get a good seal with your blanket walls to ensure that heat is trapped. Bring in the TV, some games, good books or a friend and relive the glory days of your youth.

Remember, now you are a college student who is sure to have some architect and/or engineer buddies. There is nothing to stop you from building a towering maze of blanket forts and tunnels. Bring in a fresh bag of puppy chow and the winter weariness will melt away.

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The Decemberists' sixth album, "The King is Dead," has a lighter, more relaxed sound than the previous five. While it is easier, less somber than its predecessors, it is also tethered in depressing Oregon tales. While fitting for a Portland-based band, it can be a burden next to otherwise uplifting music. However, this latest venture is a Broadway musical when compared to the 12-minute murder ballad from "The Crane Wife" in 2006.

Colin Meloy's melancholy crooning is as present as ever, and the band continues their foray into the sound of R.E.M. with guest guitar work from Peter Buck. "Down By The Water" seems almost as recognizable as R.E.M.'s "Losing My Religion." Gillian Welch also contributes vocals to the song, adding her own beautifully haunting sound to round out the melody.

The best part of this new venture is that it has songs as bright and sunny as the album's front cover. "Calamity Song" may have a dire theme — apparently "California succumbed to the fault line," ouch — but the tune will have you toe-tapping and head bobbing like any Beach Boys ditty.

A harmonica riff opens up the album with "Don't Carry It All," a song that possesses a great refrain complete with singable lyrics and keeps the accompanying groovy harmonica throughout. It is arguably one of the best tracks, combining an interesting melody with engaging lyrics.

"All Arise!" is a surprising honky-tonk hoedown tune with a fiddle thrown in for good measure. "Rox in the Box" also possesses an Americana feel to it and, much like its title, has a catchy rhyme scheme you'll repeat absent-mindedly long after you listen. "Dear Avery" is a depressing, sleepy ballad about a dead little girl— ultimately for-

gettable, and immediately dull. Skip it.

"The King is Dead" will manage to both draw in new fans and keep the old, while still moving on from their last album, "The Hazards of Love," which was a critical flop. The Decemberists are able to move forward and evolve by combining a more upbeat style with their complicated spun tales of friend and foe, life and love, from the prairies all the way to Byzantium — all while scratching Meloy's itch to pepper his lyrics with words no one has bothered to use since their invention.

So as Meloy croons in "Don't Carry It All," let us "raise a glass to the turning of the seasons" and toast this evolved version of our beloved Decemberists.

The King is Dead The Decemberists

Label: Capitol Records

Best Tracks: "Don't Carry It All," "Rox in the Box," "All Arise!," "Down By The Water"

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NFL

Pittsburgh fans pride themselves on loyalty

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Proud, tough and resilient. The same adjectives that could describe the Pittsburgh Steelers could also apply to their large and fiercely loyal fan base.

Now the team has rewarded its black-and-gold faithful with a shot at another Super Bowl. Only the Green Bay Packers stand between the Steelers from a seventh title when the tradition-rich teams play in Super Bowl XLV on Feb. 6 in Dallas.

Shuttling between stores for the latest Steelers gear, fans Monday in Pittsburgh's commercial Strip District were still giddy over the 24-19 victory over the New York Jets to win the AFC title.

"It's in your blood. I have the Terrible Towel that I was wrapped in as a baby," said Rob Mowry, 35. The Pittsburgh-area native manages a trading company and owns a restaurant in Chicago, but still flies back to western Pennsylvania at least four times a year to watch Steelers games.

"I haven't missed a playoff

game in as long as I can remember," said Mowry, wearing a black-and-gold knit hat. "I already booked a flight to Dallas last week, before I even knew what was going on."

A yellow placard taped to a car window in a hotel parking garage offered a reminder through a new signature phrase: "Knocking On 7's Door."

After another AFC title trophy presentation at Heinz Field, team president Art Rooney II spoke Sunday night of "finishing the job."

That would be a Super Bowl title, of course.

"Steeler Nation, we're going to Dallas," he proclaimed. The Steelers, known as a model NFL franchise, have been run by three generations of the Rooney family.

It's the organization's mom and pop-type feel that resonates with its fan base, even if the Steelers are a big business and one of the top-selling teams in the NFL. The franchise's sense of loyalty appeals to the blue-collar sensibilities of western Pennsylvanians.

"It's been part of the Rooney family forever. The Steeler

Nation is the Rooney family. Just because I left Pittsburgh 30 years ago doesn't mean it's not still in my blood," said Tim Tirlia, 52, now of Houston, who flew up this weekend to watch the Steelers win.

The NFL's fifth-oldest franchise, the Steelers were founded in 1933 as the Pittsburgh Pirates. The Rooney family changed the name to "Steelers" in 1940 to honor the area's industrial heritage.

But Super Bowl success didn't come until the 1970s, when they won four titles over six seasons during a period of tough economic times. Steel mills closed, and many families left seeking better opportunities.

Many of those who departed took their Steelers allegiance with them and passed it on to children and grandchildren. Those who stayed viewed the team as the common bond that offered a brief distraction from the economy's harsh realities.

"That's all we had," said Jim Coen, 51, the owner of Yinzers in the Burgh, a Strip District store that sells just about anything with a Steelers logo.



Steelers linebacker LaMarr Woodley celebrates with fans after Pittsburgh's 24-19 victory over the New York Jets on Sunday.

"With that winning, it gave the city some pride."

After a 26-year drought, Pittsburgh won its fifth Lombardi Trophy after beating the Seattle Seahawks in the Super Bowl in 2006. Three years later, the Steelers won the Super Bowl again, over the Arizona Cardinals.

NFL

Ryan still confident Jets can be Super Bowl champions

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Now that was one wacky, made-for-TV season.

Big-name players. Trash talk. Scandals. Controversies. And, another run at the Super Bowl that fell just short.

Boy, Rex Ryan and the New York Jets have their work cut out to produce a compelling sequel to this one.

"I think that our best is still yet to come," an ever-confident Ryan said Monday, a day after the Jets' 24-19 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers in the AFC championship game.

Say this much about Ryan: At least he's consistent.

He has been talking up his team since he took over as coach two years ago, so why stop now? The Jets (13-6) made it within a game of the Super Bowl in consecutive years for the first time in franchise history, although Ryan boldly scribbled "Soon To Be Champs" on an ESPN bus during training camp.

"Maybe when I said that," Ryan said, "I just don't know when that

(will be), but I believe it. In my heart, I believe we'll be champs."

That confidence is what endears Ryan to his players — and also makes him such a target. He rubs some the wrong way with his bluster, while others eat up his "I'm just being me" style. But, through it all, he has already changed the perception of a franchise that lacked an identity and a winning tradition.

"The fact that we didn't reach our goal this year, clearly that's a disappointment, but it doesn't mean we had a bad season," Ryan said. "We had a heck of a season when you look at it. How close are we to realizing our goal? We're pretty darn close."

The players certainly won't argue that, not after the Jets were the only team in the NFL to be one of the last four playoff teams remaining in each of the last two seasons.

"At this point, we're right there," said quarterback Mark Sanchez, who took a significant step forward in his second season. "We're so close. As hard as it is, we're just knocking on the door."

But, Ryan and the rest of the

franchise were hoping to kick in the door on a championship this year.

It all started with an aggressive offseason in which the Jets made big splashes by signing LaDainian Tomlinson and Jason Taylor and trading for Santonio Holmes and Antonio Cromartie. They also cut popular players such as Thomas Jones and Alan Faneca and traded Leon Washington and Kerry Rhodes.

Ryan insisted the Jets were making moves that would ultimately turn them into a better team than the one that lost to Indianapolis in the AFC championship game last year. General manager Mike Tannenbaum and owner Woody Johnson echoed their coach's declarations, and they were all almost right. If not for having to play the entire post-season on the road again, maybe New York would have taken that next elusive step — a place the Jets haven't been since Joe Namath got them there in 1969.

"We've got to find a way to win our division and that's no easy task," Ryan said. "This isn't just about beating New England

because, quite honestly, we've done a pretty good job of it. It seems like nobody else in the league can beat them, so we've got to find ways to beat Green Bay, to beat Baltimore, to beat these other teams that we lost to."

There will certainly be big changes in the offseason, with several players facing uncertain futures with the team. And, with an unclear labor situation, it remains to be seen if there will even be a chance to play football next season.

"I just hope it gets worked out at the end of the day," Ryan said.

Holmes, Cromartie and Braylon Edwards are scheduled to be free agents, while veterans such as Tomlinson, Taylor, Shaun Ellis and Tony Richardson might have also played their last games in green and white.

"More than likely, it's not going to be the same team," cornerback Darrelle Revis said. "You wish you could have everybody back, but we all know the business and we know things happen. We wish we could, but it won't."

That's what makes this season's ending sting even more than last

year's.

"This team has assembled some great players and I've never been around a better team," guard Brandon Moore said. "I just think of all the missed opportunities that don't come around very often."

The Jets proved their resilience from early in the summer, when they refused to be distracted by the cameras that made them foul-mouthed, reality-show stars on HBO's "Hard Knocks."

They stuck together while Revis was embroiled in a bitter contract dispute that held him out of training camp.

The Jets also weathered the swirling storms of controversy that threatened to derail them: Edwards' drunken-driving arrest, the NFL investigation of the team's treatment of a female Mexican television reporter, the fallout from Brett Favre's sexual harassment case, assistant coach Sal Alosi tripping an opposing player and ordering players to form a sideline wall, and the foot-fetish videos supposedly featuring Ryan's wife.

It was one thing after another with this team, and the Jets just kept winning.

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NFL

Palmer demands trade, Bengals not listening

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The Bengals aren't willing to trade Carson Palmer, who wants to leave one of the NFL's least-successful franchises while he's still in his prime.

Owner Mike Brown said Monday that the 31-year-old quarterback asked for a trade a little more than a week ago. Brown told Palmer the team wouldn't trade him because he's central to its plans.

"He was told that, and that we count on him going forward," Brown told The Cincinnati Enquirer and the team's website in Mobile, Ala. "He was told that we are not in a position to trade him."

The franchise quarterback has decided it's time to leave his mess of a franchise.

Palmer hasn't talked to the media since making his trade request. A text message seeking comment wasn't returned. Agent David Dunn released a statement

saying that "because of the lack of success that Carson and the Bengals have experienced together, Carson strongly feels that a separation between him and the Bengals would be in the best interest of both parties."

Palmer was the franchise's building block when it made him the first overall pick in 2003, Marvin Lewis' first season as coach. He led the Bengals to the playoffs in 2005 and 2009 — their only winning records in the last 20 years — and rebounded

from severe knee and elbow injuries along the way.

His trade request is another telling moment for a franchise coming off a 4-12 season that was in many ways its most disappointing. Lewis' contract was up, but he decided to stay even though Brown refused to make any significant changes in how the team operates. Brown, Lewis and the staff are in Alabama to coach players for the Senior Bowl.

During the taping of an episode

of "The T.Ocho Show" that will air Tuesday night on the Versus cable network, receiver Chad Ochocinco and Terrell Owens said Palmer was unhappy with Lewis and the front office.

"If he's asking for a trade, he obviously wasn't comfortable with the rehiring of Marvin Lewis," said Owens, who is a free agent. "He's been very stealth and discreet with his message, but he's saying there's a problem without saying there's a problem."

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NBA

Mavericks add Peja for offense

DALLAS — Peja Stojakovic used to pile up points against the Dallas Mavericks. Now they're eager to see what he can do for them.

Dallas signed Stojakovic off waivers on Monday in a bid to replace some of the scoring punch lost when Caron Butler went down with a season-ending injury.

Although Stojakovic has averaged 17.2 points per game over his career, and 19.2 per game against Dallas, the Mavericks realize that's not the guy they are getting.

This is the fourth straight season his average has dropped. He's also played only eight games because of knee injuries, the last on Nov. 26. Dallas is even his third stop; he started with New Orleans and was dealt to Toronto, then was waived on Thursday.

The Mavs don't even know when the 33-year-old Stojakovic will suit up.

"We're taking it slow," team president Donnie Nelson said. "Depends on him getting into game shape."

Dallas was off to a tremendous start this season until Dirk Nowitzki got hurt, then Butler was lost. Nowitzki is back in the lineup but clearly still not at full strength. The Mavs are in a 4-10 rut heading into a four-game homestand that opens Tuesday night against the Clippers.

Stojakovic did most of his damage against Dallas during his heyday with the Sacramento Kings. They were frequent playoff foes with the Mavericks. That's what team owner Mark Cuban had in mind when he tweeted: "Peja is now a Mav ! Time to let him drop some of those 3s on the bad guys"

To clear a roster spot, the Mavericks traded fourth-string center Alexis Ajinca to Toronto for the rights to Georgios Printezis, who is playing in Spain.

The NBA office approved the deal after investigating whether there was more to Toronto waiving a player Dallas wanted at the same time the clubs made a trade. The league apparently ruled these were separate transactions.

MLB

Arizona trades for Tigers' Galarraga



AP
Armando Galarraga fires a pitch for the Tigers during his 2010 campaign with Detroit. Galarraga was traded to Arizona Monday.

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The Arizona Diamondbacks have added depth to their pitching staff with a right-hander who was nearly perfect.

Arizona acquired Armando Galarraga in a trade with the Detroit Tigers for minor league pitchers Kevin Eichorn and Ryan Robowski on Monday, giving the Diamondbacks another arm in what should be a pretty good rotation battle in spring training.

Galarraga, 29, had an average 2010 season, but gained fame by missing a perfect game when umpire Jim Joyce acknowledged blowing a call with two outs in the ninth inning against Cleveland.

He's expected to compete for a spot in Arizona's rotation on a staff that already includes Joe Saunders, Ian Kennedy, Dan Hudson, Barry Enright, Zach Duke and Aaron Heilman.

"We are excited about the opportunity to acquire a pitcher of Armando Galarraga's ability a few weeks before the start of spring training," Diamondbacks general manager Kevin Towers said. "Armando is a quality pitcher as well as individual that will compete for a spot in our rotation with all of the other start-

ing pitchers this spring."

Galarraga went 4-9 with a 4.49 ERA in 24 starts and one relief appearance last season with the Tigers, gaining national attention when Joyce blew the call at first base against Cleveland and later made a tearful apology.

Galarraga, who was 13-7 with a 3.73 ERA just two years ago, is 23-26 with a 4.58 ERA over four seasons with Detroit and Texas.

He has a one-year contract for \$2.3 million, but became expendable when the Tigers signed Brad Penny.

"I talked to Armando and he was very thankful," Tigers general manager Dave Dombrowski said. "He said he realized it was a business and he understood. It's a great opportunity for him. Arizona was real aggressive because they are looking for a starting pitcher. It's a good match for everybody involved."

Eichhorn, a 20-year-old right-hander, was 5-6 in 15 minor league starts last season. Left-hander Robowski, 22, was 2-4 in 35 relief games in the minors last year.

Dombrowski was satisfied with acquiring Eichhorn and Robowski in exchange for a player who wasn't going to be in Detroit's rotation.

NBA

O'Neal ruled out for game against Wizards

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — Doc Rivers knew the O'Neal veterans — Shaquille and Jermaine — would miss time with injuries after the Celtics signed them to plug the hole left by another ailment.

Boston's coach just didn't think the two free agent centers would miss as much time as they have.

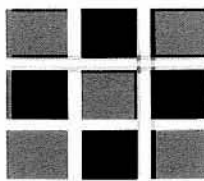
Shaquille O'Neal sat out practice on Monday and will be sidelined for the second straight game with a sore right hip when the Celtics try to bounce back from a loss to the lowly Washington Wizards with a win

Tuesday night against the team with the worst record in the NBA, the Cleveland Cavaliers.

"It's not a serious injury," Rivers said, "but he's also 38 years old and we're going to be very cautious."

The Celtics start a four-game West Coast trip in Portland on Thursday night, and Rivers said he thinks O'Neal will play in at least one or two of those games.

Both O'Neals were signed in the offseason as free agents to fill in for Kendrick Perkins, who hurt his knee in Game 6 of the NBA finals and missed the Los Angeles Lakers title-clinching 83-79 win in Game 7.

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

No. 16 Minnesota's Nolen needs surgery

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota's push for postseason position will go on, for the second straight year, without Al Nolen.

This time, though, the Gophers don't have the same depth to compensate for the loss of one of their leaders.

Nolen needs surgery on his broken right foot, raising the question about whether the senior point guard will be able to play again for 16th-ranked Minnesota with only six weeks remaining before the tournament season begins.

Coach Tubby Smith, who revealed the news Monday on a conference call with Big Ten reporters, mentioned four weeks as a benchmark but said it was too soon to speculate about how long Nolen would be out.

"That's a real blow to us," Smith said.

Last year, Nolen was ruled academically ineligible at the start of the spring semester and played his last game on Jan. 17. This time, he at least has a chance to come back, but his absence will make it harder for the Gophers (15-4, 4-3 Big Ten) to finish strong in the conference and grab a high seed in the NCAA tournament.

They can't rely anymore on Devoe Joseph, who decided to transfer earlier this month. As a sophomore last season, Joseph stepped in for Nolen as the starting point guard and contributed sever-

al clutch performances down the stretch to help the Gophers rally and reach the Big Ten tournament championship game.

This year, freshmen Maverick Ahanmisi and Chip Armelin will have to fill in, a tough task for first-timers. Though they've shown potential, neither is averaging more than 10 minutes or four points per game. Ahanmisi is the only true point guard remaining on the roster.

"We know that we've got a tough challenge ahead of us," Smith said.

The Gophers host Northwestern Wednesday, the day Nolen will have an operation to place a pin in his foot. He missed five games earlier this season while recovering from what was described by the team as a stress reaction, the precursor to a stress fracture.

Nolen decided then not to have the procedure, preferring to let the foot heal on its own and wear orthotics in his shoes for added comfort. But Nolen landed awkwardly on his foot while playing defense Saturday at Michigan, limping to the bench after playing only 11 minutes in the first half. Smith said after the game Nolen sprained his ankle, but the final diagnosis was a broken bone.

On the conference call, Smith sounded frustrated that Nolen didn't have the surgery the first time.

"It cost us. It cost him," Smith said.

NFL

Bears defend Cutler's exit

Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Jay Cutler finally got some protection.

The Chicago Bears rushed to their quarterback's defense on Monday, blasting current and former players who in Twitter posts questioned his toughness for sitting out most of the second half of Sunday's 21-14 NFC championship game loss to Green Bay with a knee injury.

"I think it's crap," general manager Jerry Angelo said. "I thought they were a union. If that's the way they unionize themselves, they got bigger issues than the one that they have with the owners. I'm very disappointed. That, to me, is dirty pool."

Jacksonville Jaguars running back Maurice Jones-Drew and Arizona Cardinals defensive lineman Darnell Dockett, along with former players like Deion Sanders and ESPN analyst Mark Schlereth, were among those criticizing Cutler on Sunday.

To that, coach Lovie Smith said, "Our quarterback's a tough guy. ... It's pretty simple what happened yesterday. Before the half, Jay hurt his knee. He showed a lot of toughness to continue to play with it."

Smith said Cutler sprained the medial collateral ligament in his left knee late in the first half and would have been questionable for the Feb. 6 Super Bowl had the Bears beaten Green Bay. He also emphasized the team and medical staff made the call to lift the quarterback, who played the first series in the third quarter before standing on the



Bears quarterback Jay Cutler's early exit from Sunday's NFC Championship game led to criticism from NFL players and analysts.

sideline.

Cutler underwent an MRI on Monday and was at Halas Hall. He did not make himself available to the media and declined comment on the criticism after the game.

His coach and teammates had plenty to say, though. They were particularly peeved about a series of Twitter posts by current and former players ripping Cutler.

"I'll just tell you this, the one thing I know about Jay Cutler is he's tough," said third-string quarterback Caleb Hanie, who led a late comeback bid. "Another thing I know about him is he's going to stand up for his teammates. He didn't want to let his teammates down. So if he could have been on the field and been productive for the team, he would have done it."

Receiver Earl Bennett, Cutler's teammate at Vanderbilt, called the criticism "very unprofessional."

Defensive tackle Anthony Adams labeled it "garbage" and "unfair."

And tight end Greg Olsen said, "I think it's insane. I think anyone who's ever watched us, that would probably be the last thing anyone's ever questioned."

Yet current and former players alike were doing just that.

Jones-Drew, who played the first 14 games with a partially torn meniscus in his right knee before shutting it down, posted two comments about Cutler. He first compared the quarterback to former Florida coach Urban Meyer, who resigned in December, then wrote: "All I'm saying is that he can finish the game on a hurt knee ... I played the whole season on one."

"I threw out this joke and the backlash came in," Jones-Drew told The Associated Press in a telephone interview on Monday. "I tried to make it right, but it backfired."

Jones-Drew said he was rooting for Cutler and the Bears on Sunday, and acknowledged the knee injury was serious enough to leave the game. He

also said he had received death threats from Bears fans.

Dockett posted, "If I'm on Chicago team Jay Cutler has to wait till me and the team shower get dressed and leave before he comes in the locker room!"

Schlereth wrote, "As a guy how had 20 knee surgeries you'd have to drag me out on a stretcher to Leave a championship game!"

And Sanders had this to say, "Im telling u in the playoffs u must drag me off the field. All the medicine in pro lockerrooms this dude comes out! I apologize bear fans! ... Folks i never question a players injury but i do question a players heart."

The way the Bears see it, Cutler doesn't owe anyone an apology. They think he's owed a few, in fact.

"I can't even believe I'm sitting here talking about Cutler's toughness," Angelo said.

Cutler is often criticized for his demeanor, along with his decisions during games. But his toughness? That's a new one.

No one took a bigger pounding this season.

The league-leading 52 sacks barely reflected the number of hits he absorbed. He was constantly under pressure, particularly in the early going, and even when he runs, he'll often take the tackle rather than slide. He did it again at least once against the Packers.

"We're in a perception business," Angelo said. "I certainly didn't like what was said. I take that personally, too. He's our quarterback. We wouldn't have been where we're at without him, and I want that to be made clear. We stand by him."

Green Bay defensive lineman B.J. Raji said he also thought the criticism was "pretty wrong and a lot times it has a lot to do with jealousy."

"We hit the guy pretty hard, we broke out some different angles, all different places on the field," Raji said. "I mean, he is a warrior. Any time a player has the longevity that he has had in this league you are a tough guy."

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Belles drop MIAA match at Albion

By MATT UNGER
Sports Writer

Despite strong individual event performances from the trio of Ellie Watson, Audrey Dalrymple, and Kate Griffin, the Belles' squad lost to MIAA defending conference champion Calvin 179-113 on Friday and to Albion 169-115 on Saturday. The two losses left Saint Mary's still searching for a team meet win as they dropped to 0-4 in meets this season.

In the season's final home meet on Friday, Belles sophomore Watson shined against the experienced Knights, winning the 500-yard and 1,000-yard freestyle with times of 5:21.93 and 10:55.48, respectively. Her 1,000-yard freestyle performance placed her third in the Saint Mary's record books for the event and was her first sub-11 minute performance in the event while at Saint Mary's. Watson closed the day with a second-place finish in the 200-yard individual medley by half a second with a time of 2:21.93 over Calvin's Elizabeth Schleh.

Junior Dalrymple led the Belles Friday with three individual victories in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:10.82), 200-yard breaststroke (2:30.49), and 200-yard individual medley (2:18.71).

Sophomore Katie Griffin took first in the 100-yard backstroke (1:02.90) and the 100-yard butterfly (1:01.69) after leading the

field throughout both events. Sophomore Kristyn Gerbeth was 14-hundredths of a second faster than her closest competition in the 100-yard freestyle (57.79), earning her another individual victory.

The Belles placed poorly in both relay races, with the "A" team finishing no higher than third.

Saturday's meet offered the Saint Mary's both a chance to comeback after Friday night's performance and a challenge as they took on a well-rested Albion team. But the results proved much of the same as Friday's.

Watson again earned first in the 500-yard freestyle and 1000-yard freestyle, while Dalrymple placed first in the 200-yard individual medley. Griffin also contributed to the effort with two wins in the 100-yard butterfly (1:03.87) and 100-yard backstroke (1:03.61), topping the competition by over one second.

The Belles once again struggled in the relays, with the "A" and "B" teams taking second and fourth, respectively, in both the medley and free relays.

Saint Mary's will look for a win in its last MIAA meet before the conference championships on Saturday when they take on Hope and Alma at 1 p.m. in Holland, Michigan.

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Henley

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the better conference teams as long as the Belles keep focused.

"I definitely believe we can beat teams like Hope and Calvin," Henley said. "But we need to play 40 minutes of solid defense."

Calvin sophomore forward C a r i s s a Verkaik's 20 points and 12 rebounds and sophomore forward Julia Hilbrands career-high 19 points led the K n i g h t s ' offense and helped keep the Belles at a distance.

A 65 percent first-half shooting effort from Calvin coupled with the Belles' 27 percent shooting from the field put Saint Mary's in a 14-point halftime hole.

Just eight seconds into the second half, Saint Mary's cut the Knights' lead to 12 with a layup from junior forward Kelley Murphy, who finished the game with 19 points and a team-high nine rebounds.

Calvin responded with a 10-0 run in just over two minutes to extend their lead to a game-high 22 points and never looked back.

The Knights never trailed in the game and held at least 15-point edges in both points in the paint and bench points.

Although it snapped their win streak, the loss allowed the Belles to reevaluate their game plan as they advance to the remainder of their season.

"From there we started trading baskets and weren't able to get a lot of stops to chip away at their lead," Henley said. "As we move forward into the second half of conference play, we have to really focus on our defense and cut down our turnovers."

Saint Mary's returns to action on Wednesday night as they host Olivet (6-11, 5-4). Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Angela Athletic Center.

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DAN JACOBS/The Observer

Forward Scott Martin fires over the Georgetown defense in a Dec. 29 win at Purcell Pavilion. Martin had 10 points Monday at Pittsburgh.

Brey

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Hansbrough held Gibbs nearly seven points below his season average and added seven assists and four rebounds to his own totals. Notre Dame's last eight points from the floor came courtesy of Hansbrough, who logged 39 minutes, including a two-minute span in which he scored on three straight Irish possessions, capped with a lay-up at the 2:34 mark to put Notre Dame up 53-49.

"I think one of the reasons we weren't very good on the road, I don't think I was very good on the road."

Mike Brey
Irish coach

Senior guard Scott Martin added a free throw to give Notre Dame a five-point lead, boosting his tally to 10 points, and Hansbrough broke loose for one last lay-up with only 19 seconds on the clock to provide the Irish their winning margin.

Senior forward Carleton Scott added 16 points, carried by a five-of-six performance from behind the 3-point line, along with nine rebounds.

After losing the previous three road games by a total of

52 points, Brey opted to utilize Notre Dame's 'Burn' offense against Pittsburgh (19-2, 7-1). The slow-paced offense reduced the number of possessions each team had, and it limited Pittsburgh's advantages in both athleticism and bench-depth.

"I think one of the reasons we weren't very good on the road, I don't think I was very good on the road," Brey said. "I think the key was we defended and defensive rebounded in the last five minutes of the game when we had to."

Forward Gilbert Brown led Pittsburgh with 13 points, followed by guard Brad Wanamaker's 12 points.

The Irish have more than a week off before heading to

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Casey

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ready for a record season. "Lauren has been having a great year and has already had an impact on the team," Casey said. "Her energy and positive attitude has encouraged people in practice and meets and will continue to. I think Lauren is going to have a break-through year and have great swims at Big East."

Scott credited part of her success to her mental toughness.

"I think that I have always been obnoxiously confident," she said. "It may not always be the best quality, but in

swimming, confidence is just as important as training hard. Swimming demands confidence because of the high levels of mental endurance it takes to withstand the rigorous training as well as the high pressure meets."

And the best part of being a successful student-athlete at Notre Dame?

"I think it is a compilation of being surrounded by 20 of your friends while also competing at the highest level in the sport that you truly love. How many people can say that they get to do that every day?" she said. "I also know that I have developed into a much better team player and leader because of my time here."

Regardless of her success in

the pool, Scott is confident she will never be distanced from her friends, even following graduation.

"Every girl on the team brings in a different dynamic that helps everyone train harder at practice each day. Even once my last meet is over and I have graduated from Notre Dame, I know that my teammates will still be a very important part of my life," she said. "Being on such a small team allows me to be close with all of my teammates. And, most importantly, I know that I will always have someone to make pancakes and go sledding with at 3 a.m."

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Mathews

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This season, the Irish seem poised to make another run at the Final Four. It is certainly one of their goals.

Mathews' experience at Notre Dame has benefitted her both personally and academically, and she already realizes the value of such a career.

"It teaches you both responsibility and humility because you quickly realize that you are a part of something really unique and special," Mathews said.

Collectively, the team has a work ethic that drives them to continuously improve. Irish

coach Jay Louderback pushes his players and demands the best of them because he knows that they can achieve great things.

"I think everyone's work ethic on our team is great," Mathews said. "Everyone brings a high level of intensity to each practice and workout."

Mathews describes her own playing style as an all-around game, not focusing solely on a strong serve, forehand, backhand or net play. She wants to be able to control the entire court.

"I try to play an all-court game, and am comfortable whether on the baseline or being aggressive and coming to the net," Mathews said.

With a team loaded with freshman talent, it is particularly important for the veterans to step up and lead by example. Mathews embraces her role as a leader.

"Our freshmen have responded well," Mathews said. "We have great team chemistry, and are looking forward to a very successful season."

After a strong fall season, the tough Big East slew of opponents stands in the way between the Irish and another run in the NCAA tournament.

Up next for the Irish is a matchup with Yale on Jan. 29 at the Eck Tennis Center.

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CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

HOROSCOPE

EUGENIA LAST

Across

1 Do a double-take, e.g.

6 Made a choice

11 Composition of Jack Haley's Oz character

14 God, to Muslims

15 Gaucho's plain

16 "Six Feet Under" network

17 F.A.A. supervisors?

19 Belief suffix

20 Start of a countdown

21 Jerome who composed "Ol' Man River"

22 Dolts

24 Object to online commentary?

27 Cosine's reciprocal

30 "Waiting for Lefty" playwright

31 It's walked on pirate ships

32 "... ____ saw Elba"

34 Awaiting scheduling, initially

37 Holiday smokes?

41 Broadcast

42 Strong desires

43 Tickle

44 Want badly, with "for"

47 Least amiable

48 Cleaned up after a spill?

52 Tilter's weapon

53 ____-Tass news agency

54 Martinique, par exemple

57 Heavenly body

58 Defamation in the Garden of Eden?

62 Fertility clinic cells

63 Potter's potions professor

64 Playing pieces in Rummikub

65 Nat Geo, for one

66 Snap course

67 Wield, as power

Down

1 Totally absorbed

2 Vogue competitor

3 Shepard in space

4 Pink-slip

5 "Lola" band

6 Start of grace, maybe

7 Fallback strategy

8 Subject of a cigarette rating

9 Shut down

10 Prescription measure

11 "You're right"

12 "The Wild Duck" playwright

13 Chinese restaurant request

18 Out of alignment

23 Bilko or Friday: Abbr.

24 Gershwin's "The ____ Love"

25 Windblown soil

26 Keatsian or Pindaric

27 Pet advocacy org.

28 Grades K-12

29 Allotment of one, usually, for an airline passenger

32 Make improvements to

33 Turned chicken

35 One calling the shots

36 "I'd hate to break up ____"

38 One of four on a Rolls

39 Cut jaggedly

40 Mideast potentate: Var.

45 Catchall abbr.

46 Free from anxiety

47 Font option: Abbr.

48 Burst into flower

49 Maggot or grub

50 Hardly macho

51 Totally lost

54 Pink-slip

55 Lecher's look

56 Once, old-style

59 Paternity suit evidence

60 Smallish batteries

61 Give a thumbs-down

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Happy Birthday: You have the discipline, the determination and the support to begin a new phase in your life. Love, romance, home and family will be enhanced, so put in the time and effort to make the most of your relationships and to solve whatever problems have been a hindrance in the past. Look forward with optimism. Your numbers are 6, 14, 18, 27, 30, 32, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't limit what you can do because you are afraid to make a move. Refuse to let anyone rain on your parade. Once you've managed to do what must be done, you should enjoy a little celebratory fun with the people you enjoy most. ★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Nothing will stand in your way if you exhibit the determination required to get the job done. You can enhance your reputation through your actions but expect your competition to try to undermine your plans. Prepare well. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't keep what you have to offer locked up when you should be showing the world what you can do. Your unique approach to any problem will separate you from the crowd. Stand tall, act fast and you will get the respect and results you are looking for. ★★★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You have too many choices and the wrong one will set you back. Taking on someone else's responsibilities may seem like a nice thing to do but, if it will cost you emotionally, professionally or financially, think twice. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Look at what and whom you have to work with and it will become apparent what you need to do next. Combine what you have with what you need to get and you will come up with a plan that will lead to your success and a better future. ★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Believe in yourself. Now is not the time to wait and watch while someone else steals your thunder. Take action and network all you can to make your dreams come true. Don't be just a bystander. ★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Not everyone will be on your side. Keeping things simple and sharing what you know will lure the right people. Once you have all the kinks ironed out, you can present your full initiative. ★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Talk to the people who share your ideas. Don't let your emotions or possessiveness overshadow what needs to be done. Sometimes it's necessary to let go of a little in order to make greater gains. Look at the big picture. ★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take a leadership position. Be a little trendy and outgoing; it's your originality that will count. Don't let someone with less vision stifle your plans. You have too much at stake to give in to pressure. ★★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll be judged by your performance. Show what you can do and don't let anyone shut you down. If you must go it alone to get what you want, do so with your head held high. ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Secure your position and stabilize your life. You can make significant alterations to your lifestyle by taking on more responsibility. It's how success makes you feel that will truly make a difference to how you live your life in the future. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): This is a day of give and take. Don't waste time chasing someone or something negative. A partnership will limit you now if you cannot get past what you feel you are owed. Look forward. ★★★

Birthday Baby: You are capable, trendy, cautious but willing to try new things. You have insight and integrity and are compassionate and sensitive.

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JAMES SOLLITTO, CODY ECKERT and JOHN FLATLEY

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Oh I get it. One was celebrating, one was mourning, and one doesn't know how to let go.

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SCOTT MITCHELL and MATT MOMONT

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Busted streaks

Hansbrough ignites offense as the No. 14 Irish topple No. 2 Pittsburgh for first true road victory



DAN JACOBS/The Observer

Senior guard Ben Hansbrough pulls a crossover on a Georgetown defender Dec. 29 at the Purcell Pavilion. Hansbrough had 19 points and seven assists as the Irish traveled to Pittsburgh and knocked off the No. 2 Panthers Monday.

By DOUGLAS FARMER
Sports Writer

No. 14 Notre Dame entered Monday night with two disheartening streaks on its mind: its own season-long three-game road losing streak and second-ranked Pittsburgh's 20-game home-winning streak. A 56-51 Irish victory quickly reversed both runs, handing the Panthers

only their 12th loss at home in the past nine seasons.

"We have had good wins ... We've probably not had a better win," Irish coach Mike Brey said in his postgame interview. "Coming here, not having had a good win on the road, to play this team there ... To stay mentally tough and to stay with our plan, I'm really proud of our group."

Senior guard Ben Hansbrough led all scorers

with 19 points, even though he missed his first five 3-pointers of the night. With Notre Dame (17-4, 6-3 Big East) down two points midway through the second half, Hansbrough fired his sixth long-range attempt of the night. Suddenly, the Irish led 42-41 in Petersen Events Center.

"Ben, again, I don't know how he does it physically after what he did Saturday night," Brey said, referencing

Hansbrough's 39-minute effort in Notre Dame's 80-75 victory over Marquette. "To come back and handle the ball, and then to guard [Pittsburgh's leading scorer Ashton] Gibbs all night, and play the whole game."

Hansbrough held Gibbs nearly seven points below his season average and added seven assists and four

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SMC BASKETBALL

Mahoney's big night not enough

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS
Sports Writer

Despite a career-high 23 points from junior guard Patsy Mahoney, Saint Mary's fell to Calvin 74-60 on Saturday in Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Belles (12-6, 5-4 MIAA) started off slow, allowing the Knights (15-3, 9-0) to jump on a 9-0 run fueled by six early Saint Mary's turnovers. Both teams were sloppy all game, each turning the ball over 25 times.

"Turnovers have been a problem for us all season long," Belles coach Jenn Henley said. "Calvin is certainly a good team, so at times, their defense definitely disrupted our offense, but we also had some unforced turnovers due to forcing passes and not reading each other in our offense."

With the loss, the Belles' three-game win streak was snapped while Calvin extended its own to a season-high six-game streak — including a one-point win over previously undefeated and top-ranked Hope College — and maintained its place atop the MIAA standings.

Regardless of the loss, Henley doesn't doubt the strength of her team against the better conference teams

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

Scott having breakout season for Notre Dame

By MEGAN GOLDEN
Sports Writer

Although training was the primary focus of Notre Dame's team trip to Hawaii over break, the Irish also learned much about sophomore Lauren Scott, both in the pool and out.

One of those teammates was senior captain Katie Casey, who grew closer with Scott throughout the trip and their time spent away from the pool.

"I roomed with Lauren for two weeks in Hawaii for the training trip and we laughed the entire trip," Casey said. "We both love country music and are annoying everyone with our amazing country singing. She loves quoting the YouTube video saying, 'Ouch, Charlie,' which always makes me laugh."

Scott agreed her sense of humor was memorable.

"Swimming has enabled me to compete at very high levels,

but I have learned that I remember crazy jokes or funny moments with teammates more than any personal victories," she said. "Traveling around the country with my teammates for meets comprise the best moments in my swimming career."

Pleased with her improvement throughout the two-week training trip, Scott believes the team gained momentum for the remainder of the season.

"Training trip this year was my best Notre Dame experience to date," she said. "We all trained incredibly hard, but we also had an amazing time experiencing Hawaii. I am so excited for our upcoming meets because I know our team will have an opportunity to show off all of our dedication."

Despite beginning her career in the seventh grade, Casey said the team believes the Fayetteville, Ga., native is

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Mathews ready to compete

Junior embraces challenge of collegiate athletics, academics

By MATTHEW ROBISON
Sports Writer

Junior Shannon Mathews admits that being a student athlete at Notre Dame is a challenging and demanding endeavor. Playing for a team that is consistently in the running for a national championship requires the utmost effort each and every day. And as a student, the University expects her to perform academically. "The tradition of excellence at Notre Dame in all sports is really intimidating initially," Mathews said. "On the field and in the classroom, Notre Dame athletes are expected to excel."

But Mathews would not have it any other way.

"The friendships, personal memories and bonding experiences on long road trips are things I will cherish for the rest of my life," Mathews said.

Among the most memorable of moments during Mathews' time at Notre Dame is the trip



MACKENZIE SAIN/The Observer

Junior Shannon Mathews drills a forehand back at her DePaul opponent on April 16, 2010, at the Eck Tennis

to the Final Four two seasons ago, the furthest the program has ever advanced in the NCAA championships. Mathews was a crucial part of the run.

"Celebrating with my team-

mates and coaches my freshman year when I clinched our first NCAA Final Four in history is a moment I will never forget," Mathews said.

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