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Students cheer on NFL teams

By SAM STRYKER News Writer

On a night featuring two prestigious teams in professional sports battling on the field, big budget commercials and a rocking half time show, the Green Bay Packers defeated the Pittsburgh Steelers 31-25 in Super Bowl XLV.

Sophomore Packers fan Sam Mitchell said he felt pure ecstasy following the Packer's victory.

ry. "It is just exuberance," Mitchell said. "It was a tremendous game, but the best team won, and congrats to Green Bay."

Mitchell said the triumph was particularly sweet because of the low expectations for the No. 6 seeded Packers.

"We overcame so much adversity over the course of the season. Some injuries, a lot of people counted us out in the middle of the season," he said. "We stayed focus and we knew could do it."

Junior Steelers fan Nick

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Phishing scams target students

By MEGAN DOYLE Associate News Editor

A Phishing scam infiltrated Notre Dame G-mail accounts and sent massive amounts of spam from nd.edu addresses, the Office of Information Technologies (OIT) reported Tuesday in an e-mail to the student body.

The scam blocked nd.edu users from e-mailing hotmail.com users. OIT administrators are communicating with hotmail to lift the blocks, and OIT recommended using alternate communication with hotmail users, the e-mail said.

The e-mail warned that other e-mail services may be blocking ND e-mails for the same reason.

"Over the weekend, spammers compromised several [Notre Dame] NetIDs and used those accounts to send thousands of spam e-mail messages," the e-mail said. "Spammers most likely gained control over these accounts when the account owners responded to a phishing scam by providing their NetID and password."

The OIT Helpdesk helped students who were hacked by the phishing scam, David Seidl, manager of information security for OIT, said.

When OIT discovered the scam, Seidl said the office

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Lyphout plans June retirement

Observer Staff Report

James Lyphout, Notre Dame's vice president for Business Operations, will retire in June, according to a University press release.

Lyphout is the University's longest-serving current officer. N o t r e

D a m e's Board of Trustees elected him vice president in 1999. He also served as assistant vice president for Business



Lyphout

Affairs from 1984 to 1996 and as associate vice president for business operations from 1996 to 1999.

In his current position, Lyphout oversees campus infrastructure and construction projects, the Office of Sustainability, campus operations and most auxiliary campus operations such as food services, the Hammes Notre

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Late night events support Special Olympics

By KRISTEN DURBIN News Writer

Hundreds of Notre Dame students and staff members gathered for a night of athletic competition and philanthropy Saturday at the 25th annual said. "Notre Dame students have a competitive nature, so sports are a good way for students to do something extracurricular on the weekend while supporting Special Olympics."

The main attraction of the event was the traditional bas-



Late Night Olympics.

The RecSports-sponsored event, which raised funds for Special Olympics of St. Joseph County, offered students the opportunity to compete for their residence halls in a variety of athletic contests, including broomball, dodgeball, kayaking, water polo and volleyball. Students also competed in women's and men's basketball, racquetball and table tennis, and an inflatable obstacle course was a new addition to the event roster this year.

"We try to plan an event that we think students would like to participate in to help Special Olympics," RecSports coordinator of special events and family programs Tim Novak ketball game between local Special Olympians and members of the Notre Dame staff a rivalry in which the Special Olympians have prevailed for 25 consecutive years. This year, the Special Olympians beat the Notre Dame all-stars 46-20.

"This is a big event that the Special Olympians look forward to every year," Novak said. "The joy they have on their faces when they participate is indescribable."

Novak said Late Night Olympics provides an outlet for students and Special Olympians to interact.

"It's hard to describe why

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SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observer

Jamie Murray runs and jumps her way through the obstacle course Saturday night. The event was a new addition to the Late Night Olympics competition this year.

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How did you spend Saturday night? Zweber-Langer: At the Band Dance, living it up

Are you watching the Super Bowl? Zweber-Langer: No. I don't really watch that.

Is spring coming early? Zweber-Langer: I hope not — I'm a winter person. Who is better: Batman or Spiderman? Zweber-Langer: Batman, by far. Spiderman is kind of a pansy.

What is the best thing about winter? Zweber-Langer: The snow of course!

Which is a more romantic date: North or South Dining Hall?

Zweber-Langer: North. I work there, so I guess I have to go with that.



Monday Meltdown



Albany Zweber-Langer freshm an

Farley

Know someone chill for Monday's Icebreaker? E-mail obsphoto@gmail.com



JULIE HERDER/The Observer

Notre Dame fans buy posters and calendars at the Notre Dame versus Rutgers basketball game Sunday. All proceeds from the sale were donated to the Coaches v. Cancer fund.

OFFBEAT

Australia's Packers fan returns to United States DALLAS — The man who

DALLAS — The man who might be Australia's greatest Green Bay Packers fan has returned to the United States to watch his team play in the Super Bowl. Back in 2007, Wayne Scullino quit his job as a sales executive for a telecommunications company and sold his home in Sydney to pay for a year of following the Packers. His Packers fan who had an extra one.

Scullino says if the Packers win, he'll fly back to Green Bay for the victory parade before flying home.

Real-life steelers asked to work Super Bowl day

CLAIRTON, Pa. — It's only natural that Pittsburgh-area steelworkers would want to watch the Pittsburgh Steelers in Sunday's Super Bowl.

Sunday's Super Bowl. But a U.S. Steel memo union has criticized the memo. A U.S. Steel spokeswoman tells the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that the company doesn't comment on employee relations.

The newspaper says USW International vice president Tom Conway responded to the memo with an e-mail — in blackand-gold type, the Steelers' colors — that suggested adjusting schedules so volunteers who don't want to watch the game can work

In Brief

The lecture "How Do Bad Songs Become Beloved? Stories of Bad Songs: Bob Dylan's Masters of War" is tonight at 5:30 p.m. in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum of Art. The lecture will be presented by Greil Marcus. It is free and open to the public.

The seminar, "Joint Estimation of Multiple Graphical Models" is today at 4 p.m. in room 129 of the Hayes-Healy Center. The seminar will be conducted by Jian Guo of the University of Michigan.

Research Assistant Reneta Dimitrova will present the next installment in the Environmental Fluid Dynamics Seminar series entitled "Numerical Modeling of Atmospheric Flow and Air Quality in Urban Areas" Tuesday. The seminar is in room 258 in the Fitzpatrick Hall of Engineering at 11 a.m.

Siegfried Hall's Annual Day of Man will be all day Wednesday. The men of Siegfried will be stationed on campus in shorts and flip-flops. They will be taking donations to benefit the South Bend Center for the Homeless.

Free body composition and blood pressure testing will be given at noon Wednesday in the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center. Registration is available through RecRegister.

Monica Mody, the 2010 Nicholas Sparks Prize winner, will read a selection of her work in the Hammes Bookstore Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The

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SMC dedicates week to disabilities awareness



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"I Am Sam" movie showing Vander Vennet 8 p.m.

Autism Lecture: Josh Diehl, professor of Psychology Vander Vennet 7 p.m.

SDB Gives Back to the Dining Hall Staff Noble Family Dining Hall 4:30 p.m. — 7 p.m. Dine with dining hall staff members and their families.

Disabilities Awareness Activities Table Saint Mary's Student Center Atrium 11 a.m. — 2 p.m.

BRANDON KEELEAN | Observer Graphic

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's Student Diversity Board (SDB) will be holding Disabilities a Awareness Week this week. Events will be held daily, including Disabilities Awareness Activities Table from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Atrium today. "The purpose of Disabilities Awareness Week is to people make aware that **Adrienne Quatman** there are disabilities all around us, **Students with Disabilities** whether the disabilities are physical or learning disabilities," senior

Ădrienne Quatman, Students With Disabilities chair, said.

There is a showing of "I am Sam" Tuesday in Vander Vennet at 8 p.m. with refreshments provided, Quatman said.

On Wednesday, Josh Diehl, professor of psychology at Notre Dame, will give a lecture on Autism in Vander

"We hope to encourage sensitivity about what it's truly like to be a person with disabilities in a society that does not fully embrace their capabilities."

chair

Vannet at 7 p.m. An SDB Gives Back to the Dining Hall Staff night is Thursday. Α Disabilities Awareness table will be set up Friday in the Student Center atrium, Quatman said. According to

Qautman bracelets will be sold in the Student Center atrium all week

for \$1. Proceeds will go to the Children's Tumor Foundation. The week is one of SDB's annual events and it grows

from year to year. 'This is one of our annual events that we have had since the board was created," Quatman said. "We have expanded on it, and each year it is different depending on who the board's chair is. This year we have chosen to focus on a variety of disabilities."

According to Quatman, the goal of the week is to bring understanding to the variety of disabilities that exist.

"We would like to make everyone aware of what it is like to have a disability and promote the understanding of the challenges that people with disabilities face," she said.

More than raising awareness, she said they also hope to bring a respect for those who have a disability.

'We hope to encourage sensitivity about what it's truly like to be a person with disabilities in a society that does not fully embrace their capabilities," Quatman said. "We also really wanted to publicize the Disabilities Center provided at Saint Mary's.

Quatman said this follows SDB's goal of showing the value of all diversity on campus.

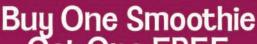
"SDB recognizes that every person is diverse and contributes to making our community a better place," she said. "Disabilities Awareness Week relates to our mission in that the events we promote emphasize equality and recognize the value of all peoples." All events are open to everyone on campus. "Everyone is encouraged to come to all of our events,' she said. "We also hope that people are aware of the Disabilities Center on Saint Mary's campus. There will be more information about it at our Disabilities Awareness table in the Atrium all next week."



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OIT presents enhanced classroom in DeBartolo Hall

By ANNA BOARINI News Writer

In the basement of DeBartolo Hall, the Office of Information Technology (OIT) is testing new gadgets for an educational setting, and the office held an open house Friday to show students a new, technology-based classroom.

"This room lends itself to more collaborative, interactive type classes," Paul Turner, manager of academic technology, said. "We wanted the room to be radically different."

There is no designated front of

the classroom, Turner said. It is also completely wireless and can be rearranged to fit any technological need.

Turner said that the classroom is not discipline-specific, but rather more based in the professor's teaching style.

We wanted a room that was completely flexible, and so far, so good," Turner said, "We can test new technologies in the lab and then implement them in the classroom."

One example of technology implementation is the use of iPads in classrooms, but Turner said this is not the only project OIT is working on bringing to campus.

The open house featured various technologies including Microsoft Surface, Xbox Kinect and some projects with Sprint.

The Microsoft Surface is a multi-touch surface that multiple users can manipulate at one time. Turner said the College of Science was one of the first to utilize the technology and the University will probably get more in the future.

The Xbox Kinect is another technology in the testing phase.

"[The Xbox] Kinect is just fun," Turner said. "It's like the Wii [video game system], but without the remote.'

Kinect tracks your movement instead of relying on a handheld controller of some sort. OIT wants to eventually implement this technology into a classroom setting, Turner said.

Junior Ben Keller has also worked on new technology for OIT — taking high quality panoramic photographs. He said he traveled to Kome with the School of Architecture for the project.

'We use a gigapan, [which is] a robotic base that rotates and takes pictures in sequence," he said. "Then we can put the pictures together and create one big image.

Sophomore Bridget Curran said she enjoyed working in OIT with the new technologies on campus.

"The people we work with here are really great," Curran said. "It's pretty cool to play with an iPad the day it comes out. No more waiting in line at the Apple

store."

Some new technology is being tested in cooperation with Sprint mobile. One project is with the Samsung Galaxy Tab, the Android equivalent of the iPad, Kevin Abbot, an educational technology professional in OIT, said.

"The Galaxy Tab is an open resource that can pretty much do anything," Abbot said.

Notre Dame is also working on ND ID with Sprint, which is a service for cell phones that plugs into Notre Dame specific apps.

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e-mail address," Abbot said.

This technology is already available but not many people know about it, Abbot said.

Abbot said OIT hopes to move to a completely e-book campus. When that happens, the campus will move to a 4G wireless network to handle all the Internet traffic.

"We would have a 4G network that is super fast, so anywhere on campus, you can use your e-book or search the web," Abbot said.

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Students have access to new technology like the Nook, pictured above, in a classroom located in the basement of DeBartolo Hall.

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you help Special Olympics because you kind of have to experience it," Novak said.

"The students who have the opportunity to meet some of these athletes know how big of a difference it makes in the lives of the athletes.'

Students who participated in the event agreed it was a fun way to spend

time with friends while aiding a worthwhile cause.

"It's a really cool event with a good atmosphere," Carroll Hall dodgeball team member Steve Zerfas, a freshman, Even though we lost

support Special Olympics. Lewis loves events like this because we get to dress up and have fun," Sticha said. "Lewis has an excellent history of athletics, and we enjoyed competing, watching the basketball game and doing the last year."

"It's hard to describe why you help Special Olympics because you kind of have to experience it." **Tim Novak** coordinator

dorms to Special Olympics."

In addition to making a personal difference in the lives of Special Olympians, Late Night Olympics also makes an impact on the financial well being of Special Olympics of St. Joseph County. A \$1 donation was required for entry into the event, and T-shirts were sold for \$5 each.

competition results were unavailable at press time.

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"We're trying to make a comeback to win this year, $\mathbf{S0}$ going hard," Speltz said. "It's also good that come together

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really fast, it's okay because it's for a good cause.

Freshman Neal Ravindra enjoyed competing in the obstacle course and volleyball for Stanford and Farley Halls in his first Late Night Olympics.

"It's a good way to relax and have fun with friends. and the

music created a good mood," Ravindra said. "Plus, it was fun to do something with girls' dorms.'

Defending their 2010 second-place title, Lewis Hall sophomores Taylor Sticha and Sydney Speltz competed to win the overall competition and to

"A lot of Special Olympics communities around the country have had to cut their

"It's a really cool event with a good atmosphere."

RecSports

Tim Novak coordinator RecSports

programs due rapidly to decreasing donations, Novak said. "Luckily, St. Joseph County has not had to cancel any

events in the last two years, and they're part of a small group of Special Olympics groups that haven't made cut-backs."

Novak said RecSports was aiming to reach the \$8,000 mark in donations, but the final fundraising and dorm



Bowl

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Grasberger said while the game was fun to watch, the Pittsburgh loss was a tough pill to swallow.

"It was fun [to watch]. There was no one I would rather have then Ben [Roethlisberger] at the end of the game, but it wasn't our year, I guess," he said.

Despite the loss, Grasberger said he expects the Steelers to fair better next season. He also said Pittsburgh remains the

top NFL franchise in terms of Super Bowl victories.

'We're going to win next year," he said. "We have six [Super Bowls]. [Green Bay] has four.'

Junior Sara Teising said watching the

Packers, her

favorite team, in the big game made for a special Super Bowl experience.

"It makes it super intense. I feel like I am part of it. I have been preparing for it all day,' she said. "I'm watching with friends at a house and eating food. We've been looking forward to this.'

Teising said being a Green Bay fan runs in her family's blood.

'My grandpa was a Packers fan, so there is some sentimentality to watching. He taught me well."

Sophomore Emily Hefferon said she enjoyed watching the Super Bowl for the social

experience it entailed. "The Super Bowl is such a

weird tradition if you think about it. We eat a ton of food while we watch big dudes run around in spandex," she said. "At the same time, it's so great and classic American.'

Senior Ian Heraty said he enjoyed the competitive action on the field, despite not being a fan of either team.

"I'm glad it was a good game. It seemed like Pittsburgh was out of it but they did a good job of coming back.

Sophomore Patty Walsh said she hoped for a Steelers win.

As a Chicago Bears fan, she said she is not fond of either team.

"I loathe the Steelers slightly so I'm less. rooting against the Packers, said. Walsh "The only way I'd really be

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"I think because [the game]

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up to snuff," she said. "Maybe

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Sophomore Margaret Bellon

"I always like watching foot-

ball, but both of these teams

aren't my favorite, so I don't

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interest in this game," she

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the commercials though." Junior John Rozema said he was also drawn to the game for the commercials. He said the off field conduct of Steelers guarterback Ben Roethlisberger, who was suspended earlier in the season for violating the NFL's personal conduct policy, drew him to root for Green Bay.

"Honestly, I'm really just watching for the commercials. I have no particular attachment to either team," he said. "My only opinion is that I don't care for Roethlisberger for obvious reasons, so I guess, go Packers."

In addition to the commercials, students watching the game had mixed feelings about the halftime performers, the Black Eyed Peas. Bellon said she was surprised they performed at the game.

"I am usually excited for the halftime show but I don't really know why they chose the Black Eyed Peas," she said.

Heraty said while the music of the Black Eyed Peas did not hold much appeal to him, the group made up with their theatricality. He said their backup dancers with light-up costumes were especially entertaining.

'There were a lot of elements of the performance that were significantly better than he said. the music," "Basically, I liked the glowpeople.³

Hefferon said regardless of why one watched the game, the Super Bowl is a bonding event for students and America overall.

"Whether you are watching for the football or the commercials or because everyone else is, you're still participating in an awesome and unique experience," she said.

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services, the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore and the Morris Inn. He also manages Notre Dame's London Centre, the Keough-Notre Dame study Centre in Dublin and the Hank Environmental

Research Center at Land O'Lakes, Wis.

"Jim Lyphout has provided outstanding leadership to the essential services that comprise the University's core infrastructure," **Executive Vice** President John Affleck-Graves

said in the press release. "During his tenure, our student dining services have consistently been rated among the finest in the country, our campus planning and construction programs are held up as best examples of the application of gothic architecture in an academic environment, and we have continued to enhance the natural beauty of our campus through our tree planting and campus landscaping projects.'

As vice president for Business

Scam

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responded to protect the Notre Dame network and e-mail accounts.

"We blocked access to the site from campus, preventing people who clicked the link from accessing the site," he said. "We sent messages specifically reminding campus users about

the phishing attacks and what not to The OIT typically able to remedy staff also this quickly, and our checked for systems that campus e-mail servers are contacted configured to prevent this the phishing from being a significant site so they could notify issue in most cases." system administrators whose

do.

visited it. "When we discover a

users had

compromised account being exploited, our first step is to have the Helpdesk change the password and lock the account so the spammer can no longer use it," he said. "They then try to contact the account owner to let

Operations, Lyphout has overseen around 20 construction projects, the ongoing renewal of Notre Dame Stadium, several renovation projects and the closure of Juniper Road through campus.

"It has been my privilege and honor to serve for the last 27 years as a member of the University administration,' Lyphout said in

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John Affleck-Graves

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David Seidl

manager of Information Security

OIT

press the release. "During my tenure, I have enjoyed being an integral part of the remarkable growth in campus building space of more than 20 percent. This growth was guided by the campus master

plan, crafted by a wonderful team of colleagues and designed to direct all future development of campus.'

Lyphout is a native of East Moline, Ill. He earned both bachelor's and master's degrees from Western Illinois University, served in the U.S. Army from 1970 to 1972 and worked at Northwestern University before coming to Notre Dame. He and his wife, Rose have two sons who are Notre Dame graduates.

request your password or account information by e-mail,' he said. "Second, be cautious of any URL that asks for your Net ID and password does not end with nd.edu. Third, type URLs manually rather than clicking on them.

"You can also usually see the URL that link is hiding by hovering your mouse over it to see what the link actually is.'

Phishing sites pose as secure websites and request personal information

from visitors, including usernames, passwords, bank account numbers and credit card numbers. Phishers then use that username and password to log into the campus email system to send span e-mail, Seidl said. The

scammers used the Notre Dame Outlook Web Access (OWA) to send the spam e-mails.

"The high volume of mail sent by spammers in this type of event can result in our campus e-mail servers heing hl



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Experiences here and there

After an agonizing morning that must have greatly amused the staff at the Office of International Studies, acceptances to the 2011-12 study abroad program were sent out this past Friday

afternoon. And I found out that at this time next year, I will be studying at John Cabot University in Rome.

Obviously, I was

beyond thrilled. I

an entire semester

rich in culture and

history, as well as

the other cities

and countries I

began to picture

living in a city so



Melissa Flanagan

News Production Editor

plan to visit. And of course, the food alone is reason enough to go. But after the initial shock and excitement began to wear off, I couldn't help but think about the fact that I'll be spending an entire semester, one-eighth of my time here, away from Notre Dame. As I reflected on this, the amount of things I would miss began to pile up in my head.

First and most overwhelming is the people. My roommate was accepted to the London Program for Fall 2011, and considering she and I live over 700 miles apart, there is a very good chance I won't see her at all between the end of this semester and the first semester of senior year. Which of course only reminds me of the countless other people that this will be the situation with. Even worse, I will not be here for the last semester of my friends who are currently juniors.

And then there is Notre Dame itself. I'll miss Cavanaugh, my home for the past year and a half and the best dorm on campus solely for our ideal location next to LaFortune and the endless food it holds. While I'm not too upset about missing half of the harsh winter, I will definitely miss the first days of warm weather when we think 50 degrees means shorts and a tank top. Along with spring I'll miss Pigtostal, the party we all use to rave about to our friends from home when they call us Notre Lame.

But Sunday morning I saw fellow Observer news writer Sam Stryker in the dining hall. Sam, who was also accepted to Rome but for the fall semester, and I shared our celebratory news and congratulated each other. As I looked at Sam, who literally could not stop grinning as he talked about how excited he was, I thought about all the ways I could counteract the things I'll miss.

I won't be living in Cavanaugh, but I'll be living in an apartment surrounded by students from all over the world. I won't experience the joys of spring after a South Bend winter, but I won't have to suffer through the winter in the first place. I won't be able to attend Pigtostal, but I'll be raging in bars across Europe without the added worry of being arrested. And I'll miss my friends more than anything else, but I'll make new ones. So to anyone who was accepted into a study abroad program and isn't sure if they should go, please think about this. Yes, there are things you'll miss out on at Notre Dame, but you have three and a half other years to experience life here. You only have one semester to spend in a foreign country. Don't waste it.

Your college = your personality

As you all know, the University of Notre Dame boasts five colleges, which collectively allow any given student the opportunity to pursue something they love. Housed in these five colleges are

several fields of study, facilitated by many professors who are passionate about their work and teaching (and well, some not so much for the latter). So on and so



Kevin Kimberly

Bursting the Bubble

stereotypes, so too do the five col-

on. Let's be hon-

est, though. Much

like the dorms on

campus seem to

have fitting

leges. While I cannot argue that the same is true for other universities, I can say that at Notre Dame, your college says a lot about who you are. I am not writing to argue whether the college makes the student or the student makes the college; that is up to you to decide. What I am here to argue is that your college = your personality.

college = your personality. School of Architecture — The Hard Working, Have No Life Students Hands down, the hardest working students on campus are those in the School of Architecture. And unlike other students, they do not complain nearly as much as they probably could. While many of us call Notre Dame our second home, they begin to see Bond Hall not only as their second home, but their only home. I am heavily impressed by the dedication that 'Archies' give to their work. I tried and tried to find something to make fun of them for besides the fact that they really need to get a life (outside of the studio) but to no avail.

College of Arts and Letters — The

Catch All College — The college with the most majors certainly has a wide range of personalities, only a few of which I can cover. Political Science major means major tool. Ever had a class with one? You would know it; it turns into a consistent restraint of not punching them in the face. English major means big time criticizer. I mean they can probably find something wrong with Jesus. Never ask one to edit your paper; you will be revising for weeks. But then again, receiving a compliment almost feels like winning the lottery. Almost. Philosophy major means, well honestly, who the heck knows. Never make the mistake of inviting them to dinner; the next thing you know the conversation turns to whether or not the table you are eating on is real. Is this real life? No, it cannot be. They must be fake people, if that is a personality. Finally, I just want to ask sociology majors if they feel like they are in college. I swore I was taking their classes (or that level at least) around

fifth grade. Mendoza College of Business - The **Opposite of Architecture Students -**Mendoza students, as is commonly said, are my favorite group of people at Notre Dame to rant about. If we are the No. 1 business school in the nation, then students at other schools must lounge on the beach all day. Yes, you have to take calculus and all those introductory business classes, but let's be real: South Bend Bars 101 is the biggest class you take. Might I go further and call out management majors? Seriously guys? There are better things to spend \$40,000-plus on. My one (and only one) compliment to business students is that it takes a special kind of person with a special kind of patience to successfully (or even not so successfully) complete the obnoxious amounts of group work assigned. So kudos for that.

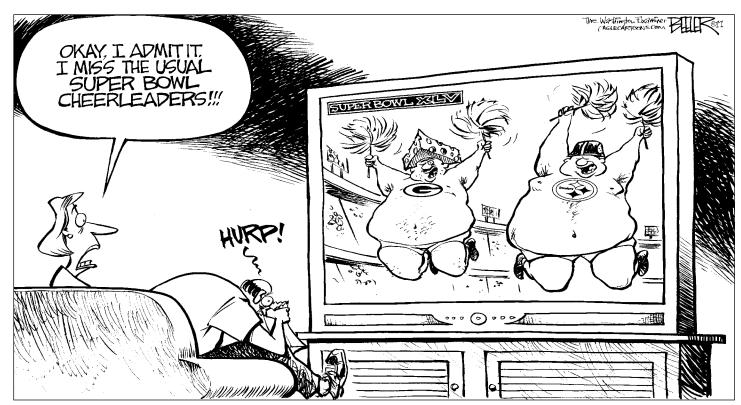
College of Engineering — The Complainers of the Century — I am not sure I have met students who hate their work more than those in the College of Engineering. Furthermore, they use every moment to let you know just what they have to do (as if anyone else understands it, or cares), how much of it they have to do and just how much they cannot stand it. News flash, guys (and those few girls staying strong): You picked your major. Not me, not Fr. Jenkins, and not that professor who took a quarter of a point off your homework for some miscalculation. You did. On another relevant note, no one wants to hear you complain about the University requirements you have to fulfill, requiring you to write papers that you seem lost trying to accomplish. You hate Engineering work, you hate Arts and Letters classes, you hate Business students (this should be selfexplanatory) ... Why are you in college again?

College of Science — The Strange Ones — This was a tricky one for me to pinpoint, so therefore it must be because science students are strange. And honestly, you have to be strange to want to study that stuff. Organic Chemistry? Ha. The MCAT? No, thank you. And with the exception of my best friend, I cannot say I ever actually see science majors. Thus, all pointing to the fact that they are ... strange.

I feel no need to put any disclaimer in this column, for I certainly only speak the truth.

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"Do not anticipate trouble, or worry about what may never happen. Keep in the sunlight."

> Benjamin Franklin U.S. politician and inventor

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Ask not what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive ... then go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive."

Howard Thurman U.S. author and civil rights leader

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wanted: Valentine's date

As a senior in my last semester here at Notre Dame, I have become very familiar with the term "bucket list." The items on my list usually aren't well thought out or deeply meditated on; rather they are usually just influenced by my surroundings. For example, I walked by Stepan and thought, "I need to climb Stepan before I graduate, or before they tear that building down. Whichever comes first.

Similarly, while shopping in CVS yesterday to buy some shampoo and conditioner, I noticed that the seasonal aisle was Valentine's Day themed. I immediately added one more thing to my bucket list: Take a girl on a real Valentine's date.

So, for all you eligible female Domers out there, I am looking to spoil a girl silly on this Feb. 14. If you would like to be treated like a lady, by a true gentleman, please check me out on Facebook and let me know. Let me sweep you off your feet. We can do Rocco's or Barnaby's or Hot Box or maybe even just order some Domino's in.

I'll be looking forward to hearing from you.

Pierce Coticchia

senior off campus Feb. 4

Retired numbers in **Purcell Pavilion**

Last year, the numbers of Luke Harangody and Ruth Riley were retired in the rafters of the Purcell Pavilion. I think this was a good idea, but I believe there are two more numbers that need to be retired. Those are the numbers of Austin Carr and Adrian Dantley, because they both were really good. I could do some research and throw in some of their statistics from when they played at Notre Dame, but I don't want to.

> Kevin Eller junior Stanford Hall Feb. 6

EDITORIAL CARTOON



Fitness resolutions

Dear New Year's Resolutionists:

I support you in deciding to make a change. Statistically, however, most of you will fail. As a person who long ago incorporated one to two hours of sweat and exhaustion into his daily repertoire, and continues to do so, you are the proverbial stick in the road. Better yet, the 800-pound gorilla in the room. I would not claim to know everyone's name at the gym; however, I recall faces rather well. I say this to drive the point that we know you're not a regular and you are messing up our flow. Call it territorial or plain mean, but when I go to the gym and have to wait 10 minutes to use anything, I don't leave a nice guy. By all means, continue to use the gym if you are going to stick with your resolution. If not, avoid peak times and/or use your residence hall's facilities so that I get in and out of there in a timely fashion ... and still have hot water.

> Jose Torres First Year Law off campus Feb. 4

Holla, gurlz

I know, I know, there's no way we could ever forget, but I'm just so excited I had to write in about our favorite day of the year! No, it's not dorm dance season, even if that is a great excuse to get all dressed up. It's not all those winter birthdays that give us an excuse to have some liquid birthday cake and make that South Bend temperature feel a little warmer. It wasn't even this past Sunday with all the talking baby commercials, although those babies are totes adorable! Especially http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lEXZ2hfD3b U! Whoops, this isn't an e-mail. That totally isn't going to work. Come on girls, we all know our favorite day of the year is Siegfried Hall's Day of Man!

While everyone else on campus is busy bundling up and trudging through the snow, the hunky men of Siegfried will be out there Wednesday wearing nothing but T-shirts, shorts and flip flops (P.S. boys - wearing a shirt is totally optional, just sayin'). And if showing off their wind-chafed skin and snowfrozen hair wasn't enough, these boys are doing it for a good cause. Siegfried's finest are being cold for one day to raise money for the South Bend Center for the Homeless. I had been saving up to buy a new pair of Uggs, but I think I'll bring all my loose change with me on Wednesday to show these guys how much I love their rippling abs and bulging biceps. Maybe I'll even be able to talk one or two of them into making me a snow angel!

David Mahin junior Siegfried Hall Feb. 6

Thoughts on the Super Bowl?

Tell us here. Write in a Letter to the Editor.

SCENE



By ROSS FINNEY Scene Writer

Bob Dylan's "Masters of War" is a bad song — or so thinks veteran rock critic and author Greil Marcus, who will give a lecture Monday on the subject of beloved bad songs from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. in the Annenberg Auditorium at the Snite Museum of Art.

Marcus, whose newest book gathers all his writings on Dylan from 1968 to 2010, described the Masters of War, the lecture's titular bad song, as "heavy handed, self-righteous and lumbering musically." Its staying power is testament to a phenomenon that Marcus found particularly interesting and will take up on Monday evening.

He is one of the premier academic authorities on Dylan, and his writings cover a huge portion of Dylan's career, the ups and the downs included. Starting at Rolling Stone, Marcus has consistently and pointedly shed light on the sometimes mysterious and always fascinating musician.

Marcus told The Observer his personal highlight in covering the music legend was, "in 1991, in the middle of the first Gulf War."

"He was invited to play Masters of War at the Grammys, and he sings it as fast, furious, extraordinarily intense rock 'n' roll. It was

radical, challenging, and exciting,"Marcus said.

Dylan's transformation of the song, and the meaning it had at that time, are a

crucial part of the idea, which Marcus will address in his lecture. A song which was in ways many obvious and contrived, "like he was sitting down trying to write the best protest song ever," became a poignant and emotionally intense statement.

An American Studies major from Berkeley, Greil Marcus' writing usually has a bit of an academic flavor. This unique approach to Bob Dylan and

other artists and musical trends sets him apart from many writers. With books like "Invisible Republic: Bob Dylan's Basement Tapes" and "Mystery Train: Images of America in Rock 'n' Roll Music," Marcus

explores music in a distinctly American context.

This is part of the attraction to Dylan's work.

"His deepest subject is America; it speaks to him and he speaks back to it. He's a scholar of American songs. He knows where thev come from and where they go. He has factual k n o w l e d g e that's harder to come by. His true subject is America as it's e n b e described, Marcus said.

M a r c u s brings a huge amount of b a c k g r o u n d knowledge to the table in a lecture like Monday's. His

Monday's. His previous book explored Van Morrison, another artist with a long and storied career. Of similarities between Dylan and Morrison, Marcus said, "they're

both still around, still knocking on

doors, but [Morrison] pursues his art differently."

"Van Morrison has true gifts as a singer. Writing about each of them is a different kind of experience," he said.

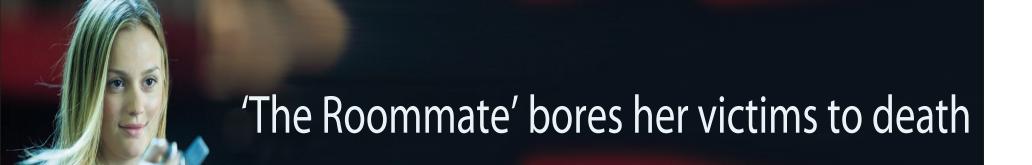
It would be a mistake to think that he is really only an expert on 60s and 70s artists and songwriters. In fact, the veteran critic has written on a broad range of topics including books and movies, and he writes a column in the magazine "The Believer." As a music writer he is always challenging; his two favorite singles from 2010 were Lady Gaga's "Bad Romance" and Train's "Hey Soul Sister."

The lecture to a college age audience will be nothing new for Marcus. The author has taught college courses before and said he "loves seeing the ways in which young people come to new material."

al." "They have new notions and ideas, things that didn't occur to me at all before. People are responding in new ways — it's a complete delight," he said.

With an experienced and knowledgeable lecturer like Marcus, Monday's examination of beloved bad songs is sure to be a fun and informative experience for anyone who has ever really loved a terrible tune.

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By COURTNEY ECKERLE Scene Writer

We open on an idyllic college campus, with Sara, a wide-eyed, fresh-offthe-farm college freshman who looks like she's in her 30s ("Friday Night Light's" alum Minka Kelly, who is in fact, 30). She has all the hopes and dreams we remember from our own first day — the perfect setting for stuff to get really scary, really fast. Except it doesn't. It takes her less than a minute to meet her first "bad influence," flakey Tracy. I can't say I'm not with psycho roomie Rebecca ("Gossip Girl's" Leighton Meester) here — that girl had to GO. Tracy's suggestion on how to get into a club without an ID? "Uh. we're hot." Yeah, try getting into Finny's or Fever with that. Tracy also leaves Sara at a strange bar in an unfamiliar city, and her only apology is, "Girl, he had a Porsche and a Jacuzzi". Icky!

immediately tries to give her a nickname. Who does that? We're supposed to buy Rebecca as a psycho because she doesn't want some random girl she just met calling her Reba or Becky? Also she doesn't wear shower shoes. Tracy is just gross all around. lar roommate" scenario is just shot. If pale skin and dark circles were any indicator for a sociopathic killer ... watch out around finals.

Leighton Meester is a waify, stick of a girl, so unless she possesses some sort of superhuman strength, there's no way she could do half of the stuff she did. One swat of the hand from any of her victims and she'd be done. Movie over, credits role. No such luck. Also, it's a pretty big clue that even her parents are scared shitless of her. Their eyes are practically screaming "our daughter is a psycho killer! Help us!" Minka Kelly is relatable, and of course super pretty, which I guess is supposed to make up for the fact that she is a 30-year-old playing an 18year-old college freshman. It's a movie so there is wiggle room on the age thing, but there is a line, and she crosses it. Too old — it's distracting. They try to mask this by giving her Cam Gigandet as a boyfriend. He is actually two years younger than her but he looks super old in this movie.

The problem with this movie is that nothing happens that wasn't in the trailers. Those really caught the highlights. If you're looking for a movie where nothing really scary happens and you're in absolutely no suspense, this is it.

When Tracy meets Rebecca, she

Sorry but I'm on psycho-killer roommate's side.

Until, that is, (Spoiler alert) Rebecca kills a kitten. You read right, she kills an adorable kitten named Cuddles. Anyone knows Cuddles' number is up the second she was brought into the room but we hope she'll make some heroic escape. Sadly no, it's a tragic end for dearest Cuddles — she gets laundered to death.

Leighton Meester's empty-eyed villain is actually good, but misses the deeply disturbing mark by about a mile. She is more like that creepy girl at the end of the hallway who never comes out of her room, but you don't really feel like she's going to pull out a box cutter and start going after people. The believability in the whole "girl becomes homicidal over pretty, popu-

"The Roomate"

Director: Christian E. Christiansen **Starring:** Minka Kelly, Leighton Meester, Cam Gigandet



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SCENE SCENE

By MARIA FERNANDEZ Scene Writer

> Name: Danielle Arthur Spotted: Lewis Hall

Danielle is ready for a day of classes followed

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Growing up in Florence, Italy, I remember being spellbound by color. I am sure that my fellow students who have jaunted abroad to this fair Renaissance city can completely empathize with my predicament.

Felicia

Caponigri

Scene Writer

I saw the sea greens of Botticelli's Birth of Venus, the golden hues of Giotto's

masterpieces and the shimmering blues and pinks of Michelangelo's Tondo Doni. However, while some might see these brilliant colors in that holy of art holies, the Uffizi gallery, I saw them in a place which draws the mind to even greater aesthetic contemplation: my neighborhood glove shop.

As I passed the windows of this small boutique I was assailed with color and glamour - seemingly inanimate hand mannequins insistently begged to shake my own hand, to supplicate me to feel the soft leather encasing them. What truly sold this product, however, was not the decadent window display, but the Italian women stepping out of the boutique. In the cold, chilly

air of the Tuscan weather, their hands were kept toasty warm in hues which brought their fashion ensemble to a whole new level of chic. Orange gloves brought out the brassy undertones of their brown leather jackets, red gloves highlighted the silk scarf imbued with the same tint tied at their neck. In short, they were their own masterpieces, rivaling their fine art counterparts hanging just across the Arno. Indeed, to my 6year-old eyes, Botticelli seemed absolutely dull in comparison to these fashion elements. This impetus to keep one's hands warm in the face of the chill is certainly not unique to our fellows across the pond. Indeed, I doubt they could endure our Notre Dame winters with as much aplomb as we do! We can however, take inspiration from their

accessory choices, and show our own hands the same tender, loving, stylish care.

When choosing a glove, fit cannot be underestimated. Leather proves to be an excellent choice as it gives over time, learning your hands' unique personality and needs. While slight wrinkling is understandable, beware the sales associate who attempts to sell you an overly worn pair they have obviously been tried on by one too many enthusiastic clients. The gloves' lining will clue vou in to its function — choose a cashmere lining for the colder months, or a silk lined pair should you wish to carry your look into spring.

This is not the time to hesitate in terms of color. Go wild! Leopard print, hot fuchsia, nude or electric



Of course, should you wish to remain with the classic minimalist look, navy blue, black, and brown never go

FELICIA CAPONIGRI/The Observer out of style and ot will please every piece of your col-

lective wardrobe. The best part, however, of this accessory is the dry, cracked hands they will prevent.

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by a fun night out with friends. Her dark skinny jeans are comfortable by day and chic by night. Her striped black and white tank mixes and matches with anything and everything. She also made a great choice by wearing a black leather jacket. It looks stylish and is essential to complete the look. Danielle's outfit is perfect for a full day of activities.

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MARIA FERNANDEZ/The Obse

Fear no more the look of horror on your professor's face when you shake his or her hand after a glove-less walk through DeBartolo Quad. As you take off your glove your classmates will marvel at your fashion savvy. Dillard's currently offers this Italian luxury for \$33.60. Winter, do your worst, our hands are girded and at the ready.

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NHL

Capitals dominate injury-plagued Penguins

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Brooks Laich scored a blue-collar goal, Marcus Johansson got a flashy one, and the Washington Capitals stayed super on Super Sunday, beating the star-starved Pittsburgh Penguins 3-0.

The Capitals won their eighth straight Super Bowl matinee and snapped the five-game winning streak of their dreaded rival Penguins, who are dealing with a likely season-ending knee injury to Evgeni Malkin and are awaiting Sidney Crosby's return from a concussion.

Pittsburgh's hopes for a Super Sunday double — the Steelers were playing for the NFL title later in the day — were stifled by an improved Washington defense anchored by Michal Neuvirth, who made 22 saves in his first start since Jan. 18.

Mike Knuble added an empty net goal for the Capitals, who controlled the flow of play for most of the game and picked up some needed momentum, winning their second straight following a three-game losing streak.

One possible concern: Mike

Green was struck on the right side of the head by a slap shot from Brooks Orpik at the end of the first period. Blood trickled onto the ice as the training staff attended the defenseman, who was able to skate off after a couple of minutes but did not return to the game.

There seemed no way Sunday's game could recapture the magic of two of the teams' most recent high-profile meetings. It was a year ago on Super Sunday that the Capitals rode Alex Ovechkin's hat trick to overcome a three-goal deficit in a rough, name-calling win in overtime while the rest of the nation's capital was digging out from a massive blizzard. Then, on New Year's Day, the teams met in prime time at Heinz Field home of the Steelers where the Washington took a 3-1 win in the Winter Classic.

Sunday did mark the first chance for the Penguins to retaliate for the hit Crosby took to the head from David Steckel on Jan. 1. Crosby took another hit in the head from Tampa Bay's Victor Hedman on Jan. 5 and has since missed 13 games.

It seemed right on cue, there-

fore, when Pittsburgh's Tim Wallace, recalled on Saturday night Wilkesfrom Barre/Scranton of the AHL, and Steckel dropped their gloves after a faceoff in the third period. Both received five minutes for fighting.

Then, with 3:42 to play, Matt Cooke blatantly tripped Ovechkin in the open ice. Ovechkin got up, and he and Nicklas Backstrom immediately charged Cooke, both landing punches to the face. Cooke was given a 2-minute penalty of tripping; neither Övechkin nor Backstrom was penalized.

The Capitals are morphing into a more defense-oriented team than the one that won the Presidents' Trophy a year ago, so a 1-0 lead on a rebound goal after the first period was just fine. Laich, charging toward the crease after Marc-Andre Fleury made the save on John Erskine's slap shot, backhanded the loose puck into the net.

Knuble appeared to make it 2-0 early in the second, but his goal was waved off when Matt Hendricks was whistled for goaltender interference after inadvertently knocking Fleury to



Washington center Marcus Johansson is congratulated after scoring a goal in the Capitals' 3-0 victory over the Penguins.

the ice during a tussle with Alex Goligoski for the game's first penalty.

It was while the Capitals were short-handed that Johansson struck, capitalizing on a blue line turnover to maneuver down the ice for a perfect backhander into the upper left corner of the net.

NBA

Cavaliers make NBA record for longest losing streak

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The losing streak has been long, painful and embarrassing.

Now it's historic.

The Cleveland Cavaliers have the NBA's record for futility all to themselves.

Cleveland's losing streak reached 24 games on Saturday night as Wesley Matthews scored 31 points and LaMarcus Aldridge added 20 to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a 111-105 win over the pitiful Cavs, who are yet to win in 2011 and have lost a mind-boggling 34 of 35

With just one win since Nov. 27, the Cavaliers now own the league's single-season mark for consecutive losses and have matched the record for overall losses in a row they previously set over 1981-82 and 1982-83.

"It feels like a bad dream," said guard Daniel Gibson. And it's not over.

Cleveland nearly overcame a

and fell to 8-42 - an almost unimaginable record for a team that won more than 60 games the past two seasons and went deep in the playoffs.

But that was with LeBron James.

Without him, the Cavs are shells of their former selves.

"We have to figure out how to win these games," said Gibson, who scored 12 with nine assists. "We just have to keep trying until we do. It's not a matter of if, but when. We have to continue to play the way we're playing and things are going to change for us.'

When?

"The next game, hopefully," he said. "That's the way you have to approach it."

Antawn Jamison scored 17 and Ramon Sesions 15 points to pace the Cavs, who will try to end their skid on Monday in Dallas. After that, they'll host Detroit, the Los Angeles Clippers and Washington - all three are under .500 and the

appeared the Cavaliers might finally end a slide that began with a Dec. 20 loss to Utah and shows no signs of ending.

Cleveland led early in the fourth quarter, but Rudy Fernandez hit a 3-pointer and the Blazers went on a 15-4 run to open a 105-95 lead. The Cavs didn't fold, and they responded with a 10-2 spurt to make it 107-105 on Sessions' lay-in with 1:23 left.

But on Portland's next possession, former Cavs guard Andre Miller, who had just one point with five minutes left, dropped a tough, 12-foot fadeaway to put the Blazers back up by four.

Sessions then missed a layup with 39 seconds left after grabbing a loose ball that went through teammate J.J. Hickson's hands underneath. The Cavs had to foul and Fernandez's two free throws sent Cleveland to another gutwrenching defeat.

Miller admitted the Blazers

against every team, but, of course, there's added pressure with them struggling the way they are," Miller said. "You don't want to be the top headline: 'Streak ends to Portland Trail Blazers.' Guys took a little pride in that."

The Cavs, who at one point were 7-9, came in tied with Vancouver (1995-96) and Denver (1997-98) for the longest losing skid in one season.

It's all theirs now, another blow in a nightmarish season that seemed destined for failure when James decided to leave.

"I couldn't care less about the record," Cavs coach Byron Scott said. "I care about our guys progressing and getting better. That's my biggest focus and hopefully they feel the same way.'

The night didn't start well for the Cavs.

Forward Jamario Moon was involved in a minor car acciMoon couldn't avoid hitting the back of a truck that swerved and struck the center divider. The driver of the other vehicle left the scene before police arrived.

Moon banged his knee but was otherwise uninjured. However, his Mercedes L350 sustained heavy damage. He needed help from members of Cleveland's Fire Dept., who used a hammer to make his car drivable.

"It's an F175 now," teammate Anthony Parker cracked.

Moon came off the bench and knocked down two straight 3pointers, and the Cavs made 6 of 7 from behind the arc while outscoring the Blazers 37-32 in the second quarter to open a 57-55 halftime lead. Moon hasn't been getting much playing time of late, but coach Byron Scott decided to use him and it paid off.

Moon finished with a seasonhigh 14 points, but it wasn't nearly enough, and Cleveland

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-Wonderful World, Sam Cooke

NFL

Brady wins NFL MVP in unanimous decision

Associated Press

DALLAS — New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady on Sunday became the first unanimous choice for The Associated Press NFL Most Valuable Player Award since the AP began using a nationwide panel of media members who cover the league.

He surpassed himself, too: In 2007, when Brady won his first MVP, he got 49 votes; one voter went for Brett Favre.

"It is always flattering to be chosen for such a prestigious award," Brady said. "But I also look at it as a team award, as nothing in football gets accomplished without the mental toughness and determination of every player and coach associated with that team.

"I am very humbled to be a part of an organization where winning comes first, and our goals are based around the success of the team."

Those successes, including three Super Bowl titles in the last 10 years, are in great part due to Brady's excellence

Although he didn't set nearly as many passing marks as in '07, Brady by far was the league's top performer in leading New England to a 14-2 record, best in the NFL. He had a record streak of 355

throws without being intercepted, and passed for 36 touchdowns with only four picks.

Not that the 33-year-old Brady would compare this season's Patriots to any others

"Every team every year is different," he said, "and over the course of 100 practices and many games a team establishes its identity. Players change, schemes change, opponents change, which is why the game is so exciting year in and year out.

"The fact that 32 teams start out each year with the same goal is why the popularity of the sport is at an all-time high. The great part about our sport is that nothing comes easy, and wherever you stand at the end of the year is the exact place that you deserve to be.'

Individually, Brady stands above all others. The only Patriot to win the award, he and Peyton Manning, his rival for the NFL's best quarterback, have split the last four MVPs.

Brady followed his previous MVP trophy with a lost season, tearing left knee ligaments in the first half of the 2008 opener. His return in 2009 was solid, although hand and rib injuries slowed him.

This year, even with a sore



Patriots quarterback Tom Brady drops back for a pass earlier in the season. Brady received the NFL MVP award in a unanimous vote from the AP, the first player ever to receive such an honor.

right foot that required postseason surgery, Brady was simply dynamic. He twice threw for four touchdowns in a game and four times had three. Twelve times, he had a passer rating of at least 100. And he guided a young team

in transition to 14 victories.

'Brady is so special because he's such a great leader and all the players can relate to him," team owner Robert Kraft said. "These kids (rookies) who come in live in awe of him, but the nice thing is he treats them well.

"He works very hard, he studies very hard," Kraft added. "Being a great quarterback isn't just being very skilled. It's being able to process information quickly, to make the adjustments, and I think he's fabulous at that."

As fabulous as he might have been, Brady, not surprisingly, has some regrets about 2010.

"When the season is over, 31 teams are disappointed about the outcome," he said. "There is only one champion, and nobody plays this game for

second place. The desire and hunger is about winning, which to me never gets old. The motivation to get up and work every day for that goal is something that challenges us all.

"Our team has very high expectations, and our team will come back this year with the same purpose," he said. Whether or not that leads to a championship season will be determined by the commitment each player makes to do their job as best as they possibly can."



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NFL

Sanders, Faulk headline Hall of Fame class

Associated Press

DALLAS — Deion Sanders always was Prime Time. Now he's All Time.

Sanders and Marshall Faulk led a class of seven voted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Saturday. Joining them were Shannon Sharpe, Richard Dent, Ed Sabol, Les Richter and Chris Hanburger.

As talkative as he was talented, known as much for his celebration dances as his interceptions and kick returns, Sanders was an outstanding cornerback and sometime wide receiver with five teams. He's a two-time Super Bowl winner and was the Defensive Player of the Year in 1994.

Sanders reacted to his election with typical Neon Deion bravado. He said he's grateful, but then made sure to explain, "what you feel about me has nothing to do with how I feel about me.'

Then he broke into the open field.

Next to the Bible, my favorite book was 'The Little Engine That Could.' I read that story so many times, I know it by heart," he said. "And a couple trains passed that engine until he started saying to himself: 'I think I can. I think I can. I think I can.' And that's what I modeled my career after. I mean. it sounds arrogant, it sounds brash, it sounds cocky. But it was real."

Sanders also played major league baseball. But football clearly was his calling. "He was an electrifying per-

former who put fans on the edge of their seats every time he manned his cornerback position or dropped back to receive a kickoff or field a punt," Falcons owner Arthur Blank said. "Deion is, without question, one of the greatest players in the history of the NFL."

Sanders got in a comical dig at Faulk and Sharpe.

"Man, this is real," he said, 'and I got to see Marshall Faulk and Shannon Sharpe crv.'

Faulk won a Super Bowl with the 1999 Rams, was the 1994 Offensive Rookie of the Year. 2000 NFL MVP and a three-time Offensive Player of the Year (1999-2001). Faulk is the 10th leading career rusher with 12,279 yards, and for a half-dozen seasons was the most versatile back in football, as much a threat as a receiver as a runner.

"I wanted the ball in my hands so I could so something with it," Faulk said, recalling how he briefly played quarterback in high school and didn't find it exciting enough.

Faulk got teary-eyed when asked how his mother reacted to his election.

Sharpe starred for Denver and Baltimore for 14 seasons and won three Super Bowls in a four-year span, two with Denver, one with Baltimore. He held league records for a tight end in receptions, yards and touchdowns when he retired in 2001.

"If I had a thousand tongues, I couldn't say how happy and proud I am,"

Sharpe said. "I don't know what I did to deserve this.

John Elway knew.

"This caps off a tremendous football career by a guy who truly was self-made and worked his tail off to become one of the best players in the history of the NFL," said Elway, who was Sharpe's quarterback in Denver.

Sharpe always knew football was going to be his profession.

'If you are going to have letters behind your name, I wasn't going to have M.D. or PhD. HOF is pretty good," he said.

Bears defensive end Dent was the MVP of the 1986 Super Bowl and finished with 137¹/₂ career sacks. He was the top pass rusher on one of the NFL's greatest defensive units. Dent became a starter in 1984, beginning a 10-year period in which he made 10 or more sacks in eight of 10 seasons.

"It was a long time coming, I am very happy," Dent said. "If you can do your thing the way (Walter Payton) did his, you can be in the Hallof Fame. I am so thankful for this."

Dent also won a Super Bowl in 1994 with the 49ers.

Richter played linebacker for the Los Angeles Rams from 1954-62. They traded 11 players for him and waited two years while he was in the military before he suited up. He made the wait worthwhile, going to eight straight Pro Bowls. He also was a center and kicker.

Richter died last June.



Retired NFL player Deion Sanders returns an interception during a 1997 game. Sanders was inducted into the Hall of Fame Saturday.

"Les was a tough, hardnosed football player who gave it his all on every play and in every practice," Hall of Famer Deacon Jones recalled of Richter. "He knocked the hell out of people. I mean, he d really hit you. Les Richter was a great teammate."

Hanburger spent all 14 pro seasons with the Redskins and played in nine Pro Bowls. He played from 1965-78 and was called "The Hangman." He was known for using clothesline tackles that eventually were outlawed.

overwhelmed. It's such a tremendous honor to be nominated, let alone get in," Hanburger said. "Have to think of all the men who played before me and all the men I played with.³

Sabol founded NFL Films and was selected as a contributor. Under his guidance, NFL Films received 52 Emmy Awards.

The finalists who did not get in were Curtis Martin, Dermontti Dawson, Cortez Kennedy, Andre Reed and Willie Roaf.

Induction ceremonies are "It's wonderful. I am just Aug. 6 in Canton, Ohio.

Rondo leads Celtics past struggling Magic

Associated Press

BOSTON — Rajon Rondo scored 11 of his 26 points in the third quarter when the Boston Celtics capitalized on Orlando's cold shooting to take charge and go on to a 91-80 win over the Magic on Sunday

Boston led 46-43 at halftime and stretched that to 70-55 with 3·36 left in the third quarter At that point, the Celtics had made 9 of their 10 shots in the period while the Magic had hit just 4 of 18 Orlando scored the last six points of the third quarter, cutting the lead to 70-61, but the Celtics came right back with a 7-2 run to go ahead 77-63. They led by at least eight the rest of the way. Paul Pierce added 18 points and Kevin Garnett had 16 for the Celtics, who improved to 23-4 at home. Dwight Howard had 28 points and 13 rebounds for the Magic, who lost for the fifth time in eight games. Ray Allen made 2 of 4 3-pointers and moved within three of the NBA record of 2,560 made 3pointers held by Reggie Miller. Allen can improve on his total of 2,557 at Charlotte on Monday night.

shots from 3-point range after entering the game ranked ninth in the NBA with a 36.8 percentage. They've taken and made the most 3-pointers in the league. Overall, they took 30 more field goal attempts than the Celtics but made just two more.

Celtics backup guard Marquis Daniels was taken off the court on a stretcher after he hurt his back in a collision with Gilbert Arenas with 11:01 left in the second quarter. He was taken to New England Baptist Hospital for examination. Daniels was hurt after he began driving to the basket from the right side of the lane and hit his head on Arenas' left shoulder. Daniels fell and lay motionless for a few minutes with his head facing down while surrounded by his coaches and teammates near their bench. Medical personnel put a neck brace on him and strapped him onto a stretcher. He gave a thumbs-up sign as he left to the cheers of the crowd. Leading by three at halftime, Boston took control by scoring the first seven points of the third quarter, taking a 53-43 lead. Pierce began the spurt with a 15footer, Garnett added a baseline jumper and Allen hit his second 3-pointer of the game.



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with the best players in the country known. Frilling, ranked ninth, continued her impressive start to the season as she defeated 13th-ranked De Bruycker 6-3, 6-2, at No. 1 singles. Mathews,

104th-ranked, claimed a victory in No. 2 spot as she knocked out 54th-ranked Featherstone, 6-3, 6-3, for her third straight win over nationallya ranked opponent.

Rafael, McGaffigan, Kellner and Sabacinski fell at the remaining sin-

gles spots after three hard fought sets in each match.

But the Irish didn't let the lost match get them down.

"We were disappointed with the UNC result, but it was a hard fought match with four three-set matches," Mathews said. "The energy and our level of competitiveness has been the best of the season. So we were happy with that, and we all keep improving with each match we play."

Sunday was a different story. After Saturday's struggles, all three doubles pairings were able to bounce back and defeat their Demon Deacon counterparts.

Sabacinski and Rafael were victorious by a tally of 8-3 over Wake Forest's Anna Mydlowska and Brigita Bercyte at No. 3

McGaffigan and Kellner clinched the doubles point with an 8-6 victory over Ryann Cutillo and Emilee Malvehy while Frilling and Mathews won 9-8 over 83rd-ranked tandem of Martina Pavelec and Kayla

doubles to start off the day.

victory at No.

2.

Rafael at No. 3 nor Kellner at

No. 5 dropped a set either and

won 7-5, 6-4 and 6-1, 6-4,

respectively. The lone loss on

the day was by McGaffigan at

No. 5 by a score of 6-2, 1-6, 6-4

a good win for us and we

played better doubles but we

still have room for improve-

ment in all three flights of dou-

bles," Mathews said. "We all

have things we need to work on

this week, especially as we look

to this week and weekend with

The Irish return to the courts

this week as they host Michigan

Thursday, Vanderbilt Saturday

three tough matches.'

and Wisconsin Sunday.

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"The Wake Forest match was

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"The energy and our level of competitiveness has been the best of the season."

Duncan. In singles, Sabacinski claimed her first career match-winning

to Cutillo.

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FENCING

Squads excel at Northwestern Duals

Observer Staff report

Northwestern Duals.

The men finished at 5-0 and the

Doubles

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The Irish dropped their second consecutive match yesterday afternoon to No. 14 Duke before capping off the day with a victory over Toledo in a split doubleheader at home.

Duke (6-0) fell behind early to the Irish, came back and rallied for a 5-2 victory. It was the first deficit that the Blue Devils had faced all season prior to competing at Notre Dame.

Forcing that deficit were the Irish No. 2 and No. 3 doubles pairings. The No. 3 doubles pair of freshman Greg Andrews and junior Casey Watt took down Duke's David Holland and Chris Mengal 8-6. At the No. 2 position, junior Niall Fitzgerald and sopho-

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The Irish were led by their sabreists Barron Nydam, Avery

Zuck, Keith Feldman, Marcel Frenkel, Kevin Hasset, Carl Ianiro and Alexander Coccia, combining for a 32-3 record as Zuck, Frenkel, Hasset and Ianiro all went undefeated. Steve Kubik also did not encounter defeat over the two-day event, leading a Notre Dame foil squad that saw all seven fencers

more Spencer Talmadge

improved their doubles record

to 4-1 when they defeated

Jared Pinsky and Fred Saba 9-

At No. 1, seniors Tyler Davis

and Stephen Havens fell to

Reid Carleton and Henrique

Cunha defeated No. 1 singles

Watt, 7-6 (8-6), 6-1. It was the

junior's second consecutive

loss since coming up with the

clinching singles victory over

No. 17 Oklahoma last week-

Junior Samuel Keeton picked

up the lone singles victory for

the Irish as he topped fresh-

man Fred Saba, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2,

for a win at the No. 4 singles

In the evening, Notre Dame

(3-2) bounced back and

snapped its two-match losing

streak with a 7-0 victory over

end.

position.

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Cunha in an 8-4 decision.

8, securing the doubles point.

post winning records.

The women faced only a slightly stiffer challenge than the men, posting victories over Farleigh Dickinson (25-2), North Carolina (24-2), UC - San Diego (25-2), California Institute of Technology (24-3), Princeton (14-13), Temple (18-9) and Stanford (22-5). Their unbeaten streak now stands at 85 matches.

Two fencers, Marta Stepien and Courtney Hurley, posted undefeated records.

All of the doubles matches were pro sets, as the Irish continued their success at the position from earlier in the day by taking two of the three matches.

combination of The Fitzgerald and Talmadge lost a hard-fought match at No. 1 doubles, 8-6.

At third doubles, freshman Rvan Bandy and senior Matt Johnson downed Mircea Dimofte and Bryant Dudzik in an 8-5 decision at third doubles. Davis and Andrews clinched the doubles point, defeating Leo Sarria and Terence Weigand 8-6.

Watt led the charge at the No. 1 singles position again for the Irish, winning 5-7, 6-1, 10-8. The remaining singles players all won in straight sets.

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The Observer **◆ SPORTS**

The Irish fencing squads remained dominant this weekend as both the men and women's teams went undefeated at the

women 7-0, as each preserved their No. 1 national rankings. On the way to victory, the Irish men dispatched Princeton (20-7), Stanford (16-11), California Institute of Technology (27-0),

University of California - San Diego (25-2) and North Carolina (20-7).



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points in the second half to pace the Irish. Novosel also grabbed eight rebounds. matching her *"We could have played"* career-high better defensively. We for the first since time Nov. 21 at Kentucky. do, and we committed Sophomore guard Skylar Diggins followed suit with 17 points and four rebounds.

"Our guards haven't been scoring \mathbf{as}

much, so it was great to see them both attack the basket," McGraw said.

Senior forward Becca Bruszewski and freshman forward Natalie Achonwa domi-

nated the low post for the Irish against Bulls, the scoring 16 and 14 points, respectively. Bruszewski's 11 points in the first half helped the Irish to a 42-30 advantage at the half. Achonwa also

added eight rebounds.

"The post continued to shoot from a high percentage," McGraw said.

Notre Dame's frontcourt also led the way in a 16-9 advantage in second chance points. Several of those buckets came in the second half, which were key to sustaining the Irish lead.

The Irish defense did not play up to the standards that the

team has set during their seven-game winning streak. In the last five games, four opponents have been held to 50 points or fewer.

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played better defensively, McGraw said. "We didn't get as many steals as we typically do, and we commit-

ted more turnovers than our opponent, which is rare." The Irish had 18 turnovers,

while South Florida only committed 14. Notre Dame has now had a

20-win season in 17 of its last 18

seasons. Notre Dame moved into second place in the Big East with the victory, trailing only Connecticut, whom the Irish will have a road rematch against

Feb. 19. "We need to

work on our aggressiveness," McGraw said. "If we can work on that and our intensity, we will be fine."

The Irish will host two Big East matchups this week, as Seton Hall comes to Purcell Pavilion on Tuesday and Rutgers arriving for a key conference matchup Saturday.

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JULIE HERDER/The Obs Carleton Scott tallies a double in Notre Dame's 76-69 win over Rutgers Sunday. The senior guard scored 12 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Irish.

Rutgers

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half brought the Irish lead to 11 with 5:27 remaining.

Hansbrough had 25 points but struggled from the field, only shooting 6-15, including 2-8 from beyond the arc. But the sharpshooter was 11-13 from the free throw line, sealing the victory after hitting two free throws with 0:28 remaining to make it 72-68.

"We were definitely tested in this one," Hansbrough said. "But it's almost good to make the mistakes we made as long as we learn from them and come out with the win.'

Hansbrough was hounded all game by long defenders that limited his movement, one of those forwards being Rutgers' leading scorer, the 6-foot-7 senior forward Jonathan Mitchell. But it wasn't enough to snatch a victory from the Irish, who have yet to lose at home this

season. "Hansbrough does a great job of using his body and using your weight against vou to create fouls," Mitchell said after his 24-point performance. "They did a great job of attacking us.

The Irish didn't have to solely rely on Hansbrough this time around as four players scored in double figures, including senior forward Carleton Scott who notched his fifth double-double of the year with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

"After the first half, we definitely felt like we could go out there and hit the boards," Scott said of Notre Dame's 36 rebounds. "Coach [Brey] always tells us that defensive rebounds jump start the offense so we just made sure that we did everything we could to be scrappy on the defensive end."

Scott's game was highlighted by a put-back dunk on his own missed shot that sparked the crowd into frenzy and gave the Irish a 66-

58 lead with 6:07 remaining. "Those kind of plays can really get everyone going, Scott said. "It was an offbalance shot with one hand but the shooter always knows where the ball is going to end up so I just

made a play on it.' Meanwhile, in the last eight minutes of the game, the Irish only made two field goals, relying on seniors Scott Martin (14 points) and Hansbrough in the second half to hit 10 free throws for their final 10 points of the game

"It was a night for our old guys to win the game," Brey said. "We would make a mistake and they did a good job of moving on to the next play. They didn't panic."

Notre Dame's win launches a three-game Big East stretch this week as the Irish will host No. 15 Louisville on Wednesday before hitting the road to take on South Florida Feb. 12.

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ND WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Freshmen lead Irish with top-10 finishes

By JOE WIRTH Sports Writer

The Irish held their own this weekend as they took on 46 of the nation's top programs in the Meyo Invitational at the Loftus Center.

The most extraordinary run was not by a Notre Dame athlete, but instead by Michigan sophomore Rebecca Addison in the historic Mevo Mile. Addison recorded the second-fastest women's mile time in the nation with a 4:40.62 finish. Notre Dame boasted two runners that finished in the top 10 of the mile run. Freshman Alexa Aragon placed fifth with a time of 4:56.75 while classmate Kelly Curran took 10th, recording a time of 5:02.27. Sophomore Rebecca Tracy was the sole Irish competitor in the Meyo Mile, finishing fourth with a time of 4:44.31. Notre Dame's strongest showing came in the 1,000-meter race Friday

night where six Irish runners finished in the top 11. Tracey took first in 2:48.18 and was followed close behind by freshman McKinzie Schulz in third and senior Abby Higgins in fourth. Freshman Kelly Curran and Aragon took fifth and seventh, respectively, while junior Allison Schroeder came in 11th. Seniors Natalie Johnson and Higgins also performed well in the 800meter run, finishing 10th and 11th, respectively, with Johnson edging out Higgins by only two-tenths of a second. The Irish also had two top 15 finishers in the 3,000-meter race: fresh-man Meg Ryan and junior Molly Hirt. Ryan came in eighth place, running a 9:43.02, and Hirt took 13th with a time of 10:11.77.

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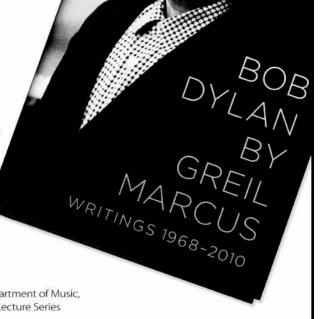
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Rick Astley, 45; Kathy Najimy, 54; Natalie Cole, 61; Tom Brokaw, 71

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Settle down, keep things in perspective and do not overdo it in any way. You will be prone to excess and should think before you act. Put your time and effort into working toward a cause you believe in. $\star\star\star$

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): View how others live or do things. A good base for anything requires equality and balance. Strive to get along and work your way through any difficul-ties you face and you will come up with suitable solutions. *******

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can dazzle and mystify the people you deal with but remember that heart and soul must be a part of your presentation if you want things to stick. Truth and sincerity are your friends; exaggeration and ego are your enemies. $\star\star$

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Show your passionate and loving side to others and you will win favors. Make changes based on the way you feel and you will not make a mistake. A residential move or alterations at home will lead to less stress. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You need to get away, change your surroundings and find some adventure. The inspiration and motivation you get from the experience you have will enable you to reach much higher goals. Live, love, laugh. ★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Do your best to come up with ideas, solutions and plans that will turn your surroundings into a friendlier environment for you. Or update your looks so you feel more confident. Find a new direction to stabilize your position in the future. ******

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't waste valuable time on petty or inconsequential matters. Look at the big picture if you want to make the most of your day. Socialize with people you find mentally stimulating. Get the ball rolling. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be stifled by all the turmoil and change going on in your personal life. Step outside your immediate situation and you will find the clarity you need to make an important decision. Believe in your own judgment. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The situation you've been living with can be altered to better suit your needs but only if you are willing to face the music and make the necessary choices. With alterations, you can feel better about the direction you are moving. $\star\star$

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll be torn between what you feel you want to do and what you know you should do. Your personal and professional future will be influenced by your choices. It's vital you don't let an emotional relationship be the determining factor. ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll get worked up over little things that develop. Try to stay calm and maintain perspective. Nothing is as difficult as you imagine. Don't let your emotions get the better of you. *******

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Keep things simple and stick to a conventional path. It may be tempting to be a little eccentric but, in order to get approval and what you need to get things started, you will have to conform. *******

Birthday Baby: You are eager to do what you feel is best. You are an advocate of justice and fair play and a dreamer with a passionate need to make a difference.

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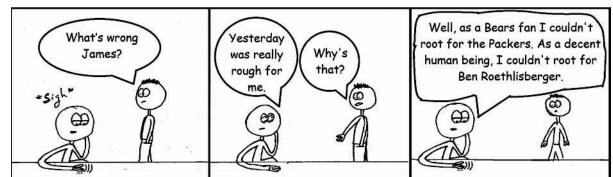
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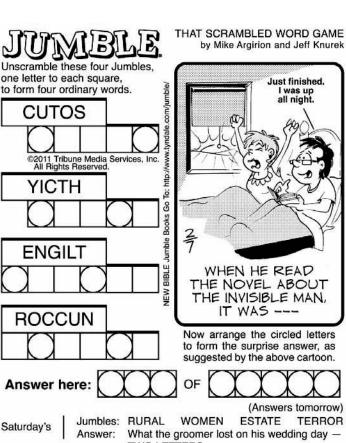
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Men's Basketball

Scarlet fever

Notre Dame sneaks past slumping Rutgers at home

By ANDREW GASTELUM Sports Writer

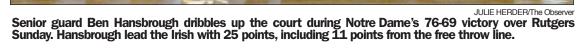
They're called free throws for a reason.

No. 9 Notre Dame survived a scare at home from a struggling Rutgers team by shooting 27-34 from the charity stripe as a part of a 76-69 victory Sunday afternoon.

"It's a great weapon to have to be able to draw fouls and shoot [free throws] at a good rate," Irish coach Mike Brey said of the 10 fouls the Scarlet Knights (12-11, 3-8 Big East) committed in the first 6:40 of the second half.

Rutgers held the lead only once in the opening minutes of the game, but it never backed down from the Irish (19-4, 8-3), even after a shot from senior guard Ben Hansbrough in the second

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MEN'S TENNIS Irish look to recover from loss

By ANDREW OWENS Sports Writer

The Irish dropped their second consecutive match yesterday afternoon to No. 14 Duke before capping off the day with a victory over Toledo in a split doubleheader at home.

Duke (6-0) fell behind early to the Irish, but was able to comeback and rally for a 5-2 victory. It was the first deficit that the Blue Devils had faced all season prior to competing at Notre Dame.

Forcing that deficit were the Irish No. 2 and No. 3 doubles pairings. The No. 3 doubles pair of freshman Greg Andrews and junior Casey Watt took down Duke's David Holland and Chris Mengal 8-6. At the No. 2 position, junior Niall Fitzgerald and sophomore Spencer Talmadge improved their doubles record to 4-1 when they defeated Jared

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ND TRACK & FIELD Jeremy Rae runs sub-four minute mile at Meyo Invitational

By JACK HEFFERON Sports Writer

The Irish kept pace this weekend at the Meyo Invitational, notching several high finishes despite facing an elite level of competition.

Traditionally one of the best meets in the country, this year's Meyo was no exception, as Alabama's Kirani James ran the 400 meters in 45.47 seconds, the fastest time in the world this season. That time is also a Loftus

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Center record.

"We had great competition this weekend," Irish coach Joe Piane said. "A guy ran the fastest 400 in the world, how can you argue with that? We had great performances from the first event on Friday to the last event Saturday, and I think our guys responded to it well."

Notre Dame would not be outdone, though, and stepped up to the competition with strong performances across the board. The highlight of the weekend for the Irish was another top time as sophomore Jeremy Rae, the reigning Big East athlete of the week, continued his breakout season with his first ever sub-four minute mile, breaking the tape in 3 minutes, 59.62 seconds for first place in the prestigious Meyo Mile. Junior Jordan Carlson took fourth with a personal best finish of 4:03.39.

"Jeremy's trained very well for the last year and a half. We could see a race like this coming for him, and as fast as he finished, we think he can still run faster," Piane said.

The depth of the Irish was also on display at the Invitational. In

the 5,000-meter run, senior Dan Jackson, junior Kelly Lynch and senior Ryan Jacobs all placed in the top 10 with Big East qualifying times. The 500-meter run was no different, as the pack running of Mitch Lorenz, Jack Howard, Matthew Brown and Eric Roth all pulled in top 10 finishes as well.

Piane said the strength the Irish showed at the meet will be essential for his team in the upcoming conference championships.

"We're going to need that depth for the Big East meet. We're good, but we're going to have to score some points there," Piane said.

The Irish will have two full weeks to rest and prepare before heading to Akron for the Big East Championships, where they hope to repeat as Indoor champions.

"We're going to train really hard this week, then back off the week before the meet. At that point, the hay's in the barn," Piane said. "We'll have to stay healthy, but I think we have as good of a chance as anyone."

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Novosel leads team past Bulls

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS ND defeats UNC, falls



SPORTS

By ANDREW OWENS Sports Writer

In a tightly-matched 76-68 win over South Florida on Saturday, the Irish learned there is no such thing as an easy Big East road game.

No. 8 Notre Dame (20-4, 9-1 Big East) held off a strong second half effort by the Bulls (10-13, 1-8) to notch their seventh consecutive conference victory.

"It was a great win," Irish coach Muffett McGraw said. "We played better offensively than we have in the last couple games."

Four Irish starters recorded double-digit points in the win. Junior guard Natalie Novosel scored 12 of her team-high 19





SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observe

Junior guard Natalie Novosel led the Irish with 19 points in Notre Dame's 76-68 win over South Florida on Saturday.

to Wake Forest on road

By MATT ROBISON Sports Writer

The No. 12 Irish headed to Tobacco Road this weekend for a pair of matchups with No. 5 North Carolina and Wake Forest, splitting the two with a 5-2 loss to the Tar Heels Saturday and a 6-1 victory over the Demon Deacons Sunday.

Saturday started rough for Notre Dame (3-2) as it dropped each of the three doubles matchups. The combinations of juniors Kristy Frilling and Shannon Mathews, freshman Jennifer Kellner and sophomore Chrissie McGaffigan and senior Kristen Rafael and freshman Julie Sabacinski could not overcome North Carolina's dominant duos.

Rafael and Sabacinski were the first to finish at No. 3 doubles, going down 8-1 to Gina Suarez-Malaguti and Zoe De Bruycker.

At No. 1 doubles, Frilling and Mathews lost 8-3 to the No. 8 duo of Shinann Featherstone and Lauren McHale to clinch the doubles point. Kellner and McGaffigan put up a tough fight but fell 8-7 to Jelena Durisic and Tessa Lyons.

On the singles side, the Irish made their ability to compete

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