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## Non-profit benefits Honduras

By MARIELLE HAMPE  
News Writer

A Notre Dame alumnus is working with the non-profit organization Unión MicroFinanza (UMF) to make the caffeine fix students crave between classes benefit rural coffee farmers in La Unión, Honduras.

Jeremy Miller, a 1996 graduate, said as the U.S. Coffee Program Director, he works with UMF to improve impoverished communities in Honduras through the sale of coffee, one of the nation's main exports.

"If you don't know where your coffee is coming from, chances are it's grown by people without infrastructure who are living in poverty. To me, there is no reason for that," Miller said. "Where we work, more than one-half of the population lives on less than \$2 a day, the definition of poverty."

He said UMF helps farmers produce high-quality coffee and sell to wider markets through microfinance systems, coffee purchases, infrastructure projects and job training. After the coffee harvest, he said UMF pays the farmers more money than they would typically receive. In two months, Miller will move to Honduras with his wife and two children to become UMF's Head of Honduran Operations. There, he will be in charge of service, microfinance and coffee training programs.

Miller said he credits Notre

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## ND explains lack of medical amnesty

University cites disciplinary process, Christian community; SMC supports policy

### MEDICAL AMNESTY

#### NOTRE DAME'S VIEW

"The decision to seek out that medical assistance for self or others will definitely be a part of the conversation if the situation is referred to our office because of a potential policy violation. While it may not necessarily erase a student's responsibility for violating a policy, it will shape our conversation and perhaps impact the outcomes from our office."

- Kathleen O'Leary - director of the Office of Residence Life for Notre Dame

#### SAINT MARY'S VIEW

"A lot of colleges believe [a medical amnesty policy] would encourage more consumption and that is not the philosophy here at Saint Mary's. Our philosophy is that if someone needs help, we want to get them help."

- Janielle Tchakerian, director of Residence Life and Community Standards for Saint Mary's

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By SARAH MERVOSH  
Managing Editor

Shortly before senior Kat Rodriguez's last home football game as a student, she was returning to a tailgate near Notre Dame Stadium when she tripped on a bicycle and gashed open her forehead.

Blood and beer spilled to the ground as Rodriguez, who was of legal drinking age, fell to the ground.

Senior Tom Burns and a friend saw Rodriguez fall and helped her to a Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) officer. But before doing so, a thought crossed Burns' mind — Would Rodriguez, or his friend who was intoxicated and underage, get in trouble?

"For a split second, it crossed my mind," Burns said.

Burns ignored that thought and

sought medical treatment for Rodriguez, who received stitches at a local hospital for her injury. As a result of Burns' action, an NDSP officer nearly arrested Burns' underage friend and Rodriguez received disciplinary action from the University for being intoxicated in public.

Dozens of schools across the country — including Notre Dame's sister school Saint Mary's College — have policies in place to formally protect students like Rodriguez, Burns and Burns' friend from getting in trouble with the University when seeking out or receiving medical treatment.

Notre Dame is not one of them.

#### The Notre Dame philosophy

When Notre Dame was considering revising its student handbook, du Lac, in 2010, student govern-

ment advocated for the inclusion of some form of medical amnesty.

After discussing both a medical amnesty policy, which protects the student needing medical assistance, and a Good Samaritan policy, which protects the student who seeks out assistance for the student in need, student government recommended the inclusion of the Good Samaritan policy.

Both Student Senate and Council of Representatives, a body comprised of students and rector representatives, passed resolutions recommending the policy.

Across the United States, approximately 90 colleges and universities have some form of a medical amnesty policy — many of which focus on alcohol use or drug use — according to Students for Sensible Drug Policy, an international group of students who say they are con-

cerned about drug use and push for sensible drug policies.

However, the administration opted not to include such a policy in its du Lac revisions. Since the Office of Student Affairs and the Office of Residence Life, which handles student conduct and discipline, underwent major changes in organization and leadership in the past year and a half, the University's position on a medical amnesty policy has not changed.

Brian Coughlin, the associate vice president for student development who also oversees the Office of Residence Life, said the administration decided not to adopt the medical amnesty policy because it is essentially built into the University's disciplinary system.

When a student is charged with

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## Seniors reflect during retreat

By AMANDA GRAY  
News Writer

With seven semesters behind them and one to go, more than 150 seniors will spend time reflecting on their Notre Dame experiences at the Senior Retreat this weekend, according to head organizer and senior Erin Connors.

"It's going to be a great weekend," she said. "We're focusing on how to cherish the last five months of our senior year beyond the last things to check off the 'bucket list.'"

Connors has been planning the retreat with senior Andrew Bell and 18 other students since Oct. 30. The retreat begins at 3:30 p.m. to-

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### Retreat Schedule

Friday	3:30 <sub>p.m.</sub> Welcome & Intro
	6:00 <sub>p.m.</sub> Dinner
	8:30 <sub>p.m.</sub> Grotto Candle Decorating
	10:30 <sub>p.m.</sub> Trip to Grotto
Saturday	8:30 <sub>a.m.</sub> Wake Up & Breakfast
	10:00 <sub>a.m.</sub> Witness Talk #3: Fears & Anxieties
	11:45 <sub>a.m.</sub> Letterwriting Activity
	3:45 <sub>p.m.</sub> Witness #6: Send Off

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## Community rings in Chinese New Year

By BRIDGET FEENEY  
News Writer

Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students rang in the Chinese New Year and celebrated the prevalent Chinese culture on both campuses Monday. In honor of the Year of the Dragon, Saint Mary's College and the Center of Women's Intercultural Leadership (CWIL) will host its annual China Night at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday in O'Laughlin Auditorium.

Alice Sigin Yang, assistant director for Global Education at CWIL, said China Night is a valued tradition on campus.

"China Night is actually not

new on Saint Mary's campus," she said. "It was held by both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame Chinese students first in 1967. I am glad that we are able to host it again after 50 years."

Yang said China Night is designed to teach students and community members about other cultures, as well as entertain.

"It offers a platform for students and community people to learn more about Chinese culture," Yang said.

Huyaling (Nora) Wang, a first year international student from China who helped CWIL

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD HAVE ANY JOB IN THE WORLD, WHAT WOULD IT BE?



Annie Struempf  
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McGlinn  
"A princess."



Kelsey Christofell  
senior  
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"A professional spelunker."



Michael Rossi  
sophomore  
off campus  
"General manager for the New York Jets."



Emily Cook  
senior  
Lyons  
"A beer taster."



Anthony Meena  
sophomore  
Alumni  
"Trophy husband."



Michael Ferguson  
senior  
Morrissey  
"A model for The Observer."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? Email [obsphoto@gmail.com](mailto:obsphoto@gmail.com)

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Sophomore Mikelle Masciantonio competes in the breaststroke event against Michigan State on Jan. 21. The Irish won the meet 218 to 81. The team will compete today and tomorrow in the Shamrock Invitational at Rolfs Aquatic Center.

OFFBEAT

**Lamb with six legs born in Eastern European village**  
GEORGIA — A six-legged lamb was born recently in a small village in the eastern European nation Georgia. The lamb was also reportedly born with both male and female sexual organs. Shephard Albert Abadzhanov tells the newspaper Trend that in his 25 years of shepharding that he's never seen such a case.

"I have been asking the other shepherds, but none of them remember such (a) case. There were three-legged lambs, one-eyed, but not (a) six legged, bisexual one. The lamb eats well, but moves with difficulty," Abadzhanov said. The lamb was born with four front legs and two back

legs. It appears to have at least partial control of all six limbs, according to the Daily Mail. Veterinarian Otto Zardiashvili tells Trend that the six-legged baby lamb is an anomaly. "Most probably there were twins, but then the embryos were united, and we've got a strange lamb," Zardiashvili said.

**Study finds that fried food is not a cause of heart disease**  
BRITAIN — A new study has found that there is no direct correlation between the amount of fried food people eat and their risk of heart disease. Instead, the research found that long-term heart risk depended more on what kind of oil was used in the cooking process — olive oil

and sunflower oil are considered the healthiest. The study, published in the British Medical Journal, studied the eating and cooking habits of 40,000 people in Spain for nearly 15 years. The Mediterranean diet favored by most individuals in the study leans heavily on fried foods, particularly fried fish, but also the healthier olive and sunflower oils for the frying. Now, before you throw caution to the wind and sign a Jumbaco petition, bear in mind that not only do those fatty foods contain more sodium and calories, most Americans use less healthy oils to fry their foods.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The Center for Social Concerns will host a discussion in the Soup and Substance series in the Geddes Hall Coffee House from 12 to 1 p.m. today. The discussion topic is race and two monologues will be read. Free soup will be provided.

The Notre Dame Gong Fu Club will host an informational meeting in Room 109 of Rockne Memorial from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. today. ND/SMC/HCC students, faculty and staff of all ages are invited to attend. No martial arts experience is required.

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will host a showing of the 2011 film "The Guard" tonight at 6:30 and again at 9:30 p.m. The film is the story of an unorthodox policeman and a straitlaced FBI agent who join forces to take down an international drug smuggling gang. Tickets are \$3 for students.

The Student Union Board is showing "Moneyball" tonight at 8 and 10:30 p.m. in DeBartolo Hall. The film will also be shown Saturday at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for students.

The Student Activities Office is hosting a late-night ice sculpting event at Fieldhouse Mall tonight from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. There will be free hot chocolate provided by the South Bend Chocolate Company. The event is free to ND/SMC/HCC students.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, email detailed information about an event to [obsnews.nd@gmail.com](mailto:obsnews.nd@gmail.com)

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# Student interns at this year’s Sundance festival

By NICOLE MICHELS  
News Writer

Far from the cold of South Bend winter, senior Audrey Mitchell is spending her winter as an intern at the Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

The Film, Television and Theater (FTT) and English major said the internship opportunity was offered to her by a contact she made working at the Cannes Film Festival last May.

“There are people that go from festival to festival,” Mitchell said. “If you make those contacts then you’ll have a better chance at getting to go to the next festival.”

Now, Mitchell is spending the beginning of her last semester at Notre Dame working at a screening venue reserved for Sundance press and industry viewings, where she has immersed herself in the festival while selling tickets and ushering shows.

“Just being in this environment, in this experience, is amazing. Everyone here loves film and wants to work in film,”

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Audrey Mitchell  
senior

Mitchell said though the long hours can be tiring, she attends events after work to build her contact base in the hopes of securing a position in the industry after graduation.

“I have been in the press office all day,” Mitchell said, “and then I have to go to my ushering job until 10 tonight. Then after work there are a lot of cool films and events where you can go and network.”

Mitchell said that she was excited to attend a performance by Joseph Gordon-Levitt and his production company hitRECORD. org Thursday night.

Outside of work, networking and evening events, Mitchell spends most of her time with a group of 12 fellow “film nerds.”

“We text each other when we see anything important, if we hear about any free tickets, or if we see anyone important,” Mitchell said.

After graduation, Mitchell said she plans to enter the in-



Photo courtesy of Audrey Mitchell

Senior Audrey Mitchell, left, works on a project with a fellow intern at the Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah. She received the position through a contact at a previous job.

dustry through film production or festival coordination.

“I’m looking at a couple internship options with LA-based production companies, but right now it’s all about making connections,” she said.

The experience has been intense at times but extremely rewarding and enjoyable, she said.

“When I’m working with film it doesn’t feel like work. It just feels like I’m here and I’m excited,” she said. “I haven’t slept in four days — but that’s awesome.”

Mitchell will return to campus next week to complete her final semester at Notre Dame and graduate with the senior class in May.

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# South Bend bishop speaks on faith and reason at SMC

By CHRISTIN KLOSKI  
News Writer

Bishop Kevin Rhoades of Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend spoke about how students can incorporate faith and reason into their daily lives at a lecture

at Saint Mary’s on Thursday.

In his lecture, “Symposium on St. Thomas Aquinas; Contemplation by Faith and Reason,” Rhoades discussed the importance of the essence of truth in modern skepticism through the writings of Saint Thomas Aquinas,

Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI.

He said these ideas could be incorporated in students’ lives through dialogue on faith and reason.

“A college is called to be a house where one seeks the truth proper to the human person and this search involves rising under the two wings of faith and reason,” he said.

He said a Catholic is only able to overcome doubts, resist skepticism and build faith by understanding beliefs built on reason.

“Both trace back to one source of all truth,” Rhoades said. “Divine logos, active in both contexts, is that of creation and that of redemption.”

Rhoades said humans demonstrate an endless determination to know the truth throughout history. From Greek philosophers to contemporary theologians, the search for something more than reality has been unceasing, he said.

“Deep within every one of us, every human being, there is a natural desire, an innate desire to know the truth,” Rhoades said.

He said Catholics discover the meaning of truth is hopeless without God through this process.

Guidance from professors and mentors is extremely important in furthering the religious education of college students, Rhoades said. Many students develop their understanding of truth through observations on moral, religious and social issues during their college years, he said.

Saint Mary’s President Carol Ann Mooney said faith and reason are incorporated into student life at Saint Mary’s through classes and social interactions on campus.

“Saint Mary’s is open to the truth and it can be included naturally within the college itself,” Mooney said.

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a violation, he or she undergoes an evaluation process in the Office of Residence Life, during which “the nature of the offense and the circumstances surrounding it ... will be among the factors considered in determining a sanction,” according to du Lac’s website.

While student government wanted a more formal policy in place, Coughlin said some questioned why a medical amnesty policy would be needed at Notre Dame, “where the spirit of Christian community is so strong.”

“It is hard to fathom one Notre Dame student acting so much out of a perceived self-interest that they may not help a fellow student in need because they are more worried about potential discipline,” Coughlin said. “I recall one statement that questioned what kind of place Notre Dame would become if we have to start legislating and putting conditions on care and compassion for one another.”

Several faith-affiliated schools, such as Texas Christian University, Southern Methodist University and Fordham University, have a form of medical amnesty policy, according to their websites and student handbooks.

Across the street at Saint Mary’s College, which was founded by the same religious congregation as Notre Dame, students are protected under both medical amnesty and Good Samaritan policies.

The Saint Mary’s philosophy

Saint Mary’s College implemented its medical amnesty and Good Samaritan policies in 2008, according to Janielle Tchakerian, director of Residence Life and Community Standards for Saint Mary’s.

Since then, she said students take advantage of the policies every year.

“Our goal is to make sure a student who needs assistance gets assistance, and secondary to hold students responsible for potential violation of the code,” Tchakerian said. “Every student that I’ve talked to knows not to be afraid to call for help.”

Saint Mary’s policies cover alcohol or drug-related emergencies. They do not cover a situation in which nobody seeks help for a student, and they do not protect the student if she breaks another College rule, Tchakerian said.

Tchakerian said such policies do not conflict with the College’s Catholic teaching, but rather supplement it.

“It reinforces doing the right thing and the College supports doing the right thing,” she said. “It only reinforces the [Christian] philosophy.”

Tchakerian said these policies protect Saint Mary’s students whenever the emergency takes place — even if it occurs on Notre Dame’s campus.

“Because she is a Saint Mary’s student, she falls under our rules regardless of where that action occurs,” she said.

Shaping the conversation

Without a formal policy in place at Notre Dame, students who would have been protected under the medical amnesty policy could be referred to the Office of Residence Life, which has wiggle room to make sanctions lighter, or stronger, depending on the circumstances surrounding the rule violation.

Kathleen O’Leary, director of the Office of Residence Life, said her office strives for a “delicate balance” between prioritizing student safety and upholding expectations that students comply with University policies.

“The decision to seek out that medical assistance for self or others will definitely be a part of the conversation,” O’Leary said. “While it may not necessarily erase a student’s responsibility for violating a policy, it will shape our conversation and perhaps impact the outcomes from our office.”

O’Leary said her office does not have data on the outcomes of cases in which the student would have been protected under medical amnesty.

2011 graduate Nick Ruof, former student government senator and

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2010

June 2010

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June 2011

Saint Mary's College adopts medical amnesty and Good Samaritan policies

du Lac undergoes revision; Notre Dame does not include medical amnesty in revisions

Bill Kirk leaves position as VP for Residence Life

Brian Coughlin takes over as associate VP for student development, in which he oversees Office of Residence Life

VP for Student Affairs Fr. Tom Doyle reorganizes Student Affairs and Office of Residence Life

MARINA KOZAK | Observer Graphic

student body chief of staff, said he was initially disappointed when the University rejected student government’s 2010 recommendation to include medical amnesty. Ruof was left wondering if the process the University had in place was enough.

However, the next year, Ruof served as student body chief of staff and had the opportunity to look at the inner workings of the disciplinary process, which changed his mind.

“From being able to talk to the administration, get to know the administration, have those deeper conversations ... I was extremely confident that they were looking out for us — as much as Res Life gets a bad rap,” he said. “I was comfortable knowing they were taking it all into consideration.”

Looking to the future

When the University finalized du Lac revisions in 2010, a major window of opportunity for policy reform closed. As a result, student body president Pat McCormick could not effectively push for the implementation of a medical amnesty policy as previous student government administrations did.

Nonetheless, McCormick said he has not let the issue completely drop off the radar.

“We continue to advocate in whatever ways are available to us to try

and incorporate policy changes that will focus on student safety rather than on trying to discipline students in emergency situations,” he said.

For example, the Office of Residence Life is currently under review and McCormick said he used this as an opportunity to open up discussion about medical amnesty and express the student body’s support for the policy.

Coughlin said the current review is not of policies, such as medical amnesty, but rather a review of the disciplinary process as a whole.

However, McCormick said active communication with the administration during the review could be helpful.

“It is a valuable opportunity to reflect on ways to increase transparency and clarity on all sides of the process,” he said.

While McCormick said he trusts Notre Dame students to put a hurt or sick friend’s well-being before their own concerns, he would like to see more transparency in the disciplinary process so students can “know not only their rights, but also know their responsibilities.”

“I really deeply believe that Notre Dame students are committed to doing the right thing,” he said. “But I think Notre Dame students ... have legitimate questions about the clarity in reforms and in increasing the transparency of the process.”

As for Rodriguez, her main concern after her injury and getting a University sanction, commonly called a Res Life, was not for herself, but for Burns and his friend.

“My Res Life, I can deal with because I did something stupid and I made a mistake, but those guys didn’t have to help me at all and they went out of their way to help me,” she said. “The fact the those guys had to even think that they might get in trouble for that is really upsetting.”

Meanwhile, Burns said if a medical amnesty policy had been in place, it could have changed the way he approached the situation.

“Obviously if there was amnesty in place, there is not a second thought about helping someone out,” he said. “I’m not sure if that would have changed the officers’ behavior, maybe it would have changed our thought process.”

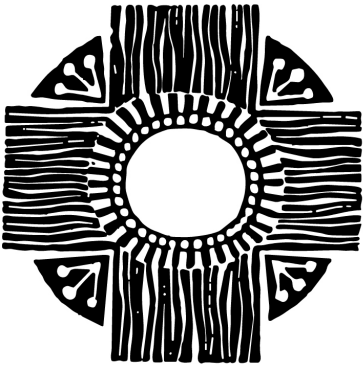
According to a previous Observer article, du Lac is reviewed every six to eight years, making the next opportunity for revision likely in 2016.

The Office of Residence Life holds open office hours Fridays from 11 a.m. to noon in 306 Main Building to give students an opportunity to discuss the current review of the disciplinary process.

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Arrive	Harrison Red Line - Downtown Chicago (on Harrison between State and Wabash)	6:45am CT
Depart	Harrison Red Line - Downtown Chicago (on Harrison between State and Wabash)	6:50am CT
Depart	Stony Island & 60th Street on Stony Island at the CTA Bus Shelter (located directly in front of the University Park & Ride Lot)	7:15am CT
Arrive	Notre Dame - Library Circle & Main Gate	10:00am ET
Depart	Notre Dame - Library Circle	5:15pm ET
Depart	Notre Dame - Main Gate	5:30pm ET
Arrive	Stony Island & 60th Street on Stony Island at the CTA Bus Shelter (located directly in front of the University Park & Ride Lot)	6:15pm CT
Arrive	Harrison Red Line - Downtown Chicago (on Harrison between State and Wabash)	6:35pm CT
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# Honduras

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Dame’s study abroad program in Fremantle, Australia for giving him the confidence to explore different cultures. He later traveled to Southeast Asia with two classmates after graduation and then went on an 11-month trip around the world, he said.

“[They] helped solidify those early experiences I had and made me really get to know and experience what the world was like,” he said.

Miller said he is proud to be a part of an organization that works directly with Honduras’ people. Since beginning in November 2009, UMF has built a staff where six of eight employees live in Honduras full-time and two are Honduran nationals. “We are a small group of individuals who are trying to intervene in the way that coffee is grown to improve lives,” Miller said. “The

people of La Unión have desire and work ethic and knowledge, but they need the network of connections that we possess.” He said UMF uses microloans instead of charity, based on the organization’s belief in people’s capacity to improve. UMF gave microloans in the form of goods, not cash, and began in small loans of \$70 with no collateral.

“One of the things the UMF firmly believes is that people have a great capacity, whether to learn, to work, to do good — to do things for themselves and others in life,” Miller said.

UMF gave 125 people more than \$10,000 in microloans in the first year of the program, he said. Each farmer received an equivalent of \$75, primarily in fertilizer.

Borrowers are eligible to double their loan each subsequent year if they repay their loan and attend repayment meetings, Miller said. Miller said 99.7 percent of the \$10,000 in microloans given in the first year was repaid. In its second

year, UMF gave \$30,000 in microloans to 191 clients at a repayment rate of 96.3 percent, he said.

In addition to microloans, Miller said UMF gives farmers training and facilitates infrastructure projects aimed at improving the community. UMF also partners with organizations, such as the Honduran Institute for Coffee and the National Institute of Professional Formation, to teach farmers about coffee cultivation techniques and business practices.

Miller said although the ultimate goal of the organization is to help Honduras become more self-sufficient, he hopes organizations like Notre Dame can become involved with UMF’s operations in the future.

“[UMF] wants to be a mentor to the Hondurans,” he said. “The world’s poor need someone to walk with them.”

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# Retreat

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day and concludes Saturday evening with a closing dinner.

“This is an opportunity to reflect on the last three and a half years,” Bell said. “Some reflections will be shared by the planning team to start conversation in small groups.”

Bell said in planning, the team considered what seniors needed as their time at Notre Dame drew to a close.

“It’s been interesting planning parts of a retreat knowing they’re for our friends and classmates, and, at the same time, for us. At the heart of what we’re hoping for is to provide an opportunity to pause when we’re at a time as seniors that everyone is telling you to go, go — to hurry,” Bell said. “It’s a moment to pause and reflect on changes.”

While this year’s retreat follows a general pattern set by the past six retreats, the content is new because the planning team is different, said Fr. Joe Carey, the interim director of Campus Ministry. Carey led the Senior Retreat for the last six sessions, though Senior Retreats have occurred on campus since the 1970s.

“It makes me proud to be at Notre Dame,” he said. “It’s different every year because of the team. It’s [a new retreat] in that it’s [the planning committee’s] experiences — they really capture

all of the things Notre Dame students face.”

In the past, the retreat has been career-focused, with alumni speaking on life after college, Carey said. The aim for the last few years has been for a more spiritual exploration.

“This year we have added a talk that two people are giving on gratitude. We want attendees to see who to be thankful for,” he said. “The retreat is starting a process of reflection through this weekend, the next four months and beyond.”

Carey assembled the planning committee over the summer, purposefully picking leaders he felt could bring together a successful retreat.

“It’s seniors leading seniors,” he said. “We were gathering a team of student leaders, and we came up with a team from various facets of Notre Dame that will enable attendees to grow.”

In addition to this weekend’s retreat, three more Notre Dame Encounters and two Freshman Retreats will happen before the school year’s end, Carey said.

“They have a different feeling than this retreat — and anyone can participate in the Notre Dame Encounters,” he said. “They are also smaller, with the limit set at 50 people.”

More information on the retreats is available at campusministry.nd.edu.

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# China

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plan the event, said China Night seeks to educate attendees.

“Our purpose (is to promote) the Chinese culture, share international exchange experiences and bring people a festival atmosphere,” she said.

Siqin Yang said CWIL planned several activities throughout the evening and transformed O’Laughlin Auditorium into a festival fit to celebrate the Year of the Dragon. She said the evening will

include lantern riddle games, discussions on students’ study abroad experiences in China and performances from musicians and dancers at Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame, concluding with a special present for attendees.

“All children and students will receive a red envelope, which is the traditional Chinese new year gift,” she said.

Following the performances, games and discussions, there will be a reception where traditional Chinese food will be served.

Wang said though China Night has a long history at the two schools, there were a few

difficulties in planning the event.

“The biggest challenge (we had to deal with) was contacting lots of performers and finding some special decorations,” said Wang.

Siqin Yang said she agreed with Wang, but event planning proved successful in the end.

“Our preparation time is tight, but we have been working hard on the event and are confident that attendees will enjoy the show,” she said.

The event is free and open to the public.

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## INSIDE COLUMN

# The many joys of Nutella

So far, this semester has not been going as smoothly as I expected or hoped. I'm already way behind on my homework, sources aren't calling me back and I miss my friends that are abroad, even though it's great to see my friends who just got back.

In situations such as these, my dad, Cowboy Joe (no joke, he really was a cowboy) would tell me to "pull yourself up by your bootstraps and dust off."

Now, my dad is a very smart guy, but sometimes, no matter how hard you try, pulling yourself up by your bootstraps isn't enough.

In those moments, I encourage you to turn to my favorite vice.

I can pretty much guarantee everyone reading this thinks I'm talking about booze. As much as I enjoy a good whisky sour (just ask every bartender in South Bend) or a correctly poured beer, my favorite vice is not a libation.

It is so much better. It's Nutella. Nutella, for those of you who have never had the joy of consuming such a tasty treat, is a chocolate hazelnut spread. AND IT IS AMAZING! Seriously, you are missing out.

If you have never had Nutella, I implore you to stop whatever you are doing and go eat some. You will thank me later, I know it.

Anyway, Nutella is super yummy and will seriously make your day better. It is one of those simple pleasures like getting new running socks or when the barista at Starbucks spells your name right without asking.

And the best part of Nutella is you can eat it any way you want. Put it on toast for breakfast, eat it with pretzels and a banana for lunch and on top of a brownie for dessert after dinner.

Or you can be like me and eat it plain, straight out of the jar off a spoon.

Most people usually don't admit to eating Nutella off a spoon, but I've had a bad week and I really don't care.

Judge me for my Nutella eating, because I know you are just jealous that you aren't eating such a delicacy off a spoon right now.

However, eating Nutella is even better when you are with your friends. When my roommate and all-around partner in crime Fran and I have a bad day, we tell each other "just take another shot of Nutella."

When I was skyping my bestie Chris Wednesday night, who is studying in Rome this semester, we had snack time; I ate plain Nutella and he ate pasta carbonara. And the Nutella tasted so much better because I was finally able to talk to one of my best friends.

So, when you have a bad day, take my dad's advice and pull yourself up by your bootstraps. But then reward yourself with a shot of Nutella.

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Anna Boarini

News Writer

# How are we to go and do likewise?

Imagine yourself at a dorm party this weekend.

You've been there for a couple hours, and you've noticed a girl — let's call her Amy — who seems to be a few drinks too deep.

You have also been imbibing, and you happen to be under the legal drinking age of 21 years.

As the night goes on, you talk with Amy and find out she is a student at Saint Mary's. You also notice Amy begin to slur her words, her eyes look out of focus and, by the end of the party, you notice Amy slumped alone on a couch.

What do you do? What goes through your mind? What are your priorities?

Your buddy comes over and you point out Amy to him. Knowing the possible consequences of an underage drinking ticket, he suggests you leave Amy alone and continue enjoying the party. Another friend comes over, motions to Amy, and laughs.

But you know something must be done. Her life is in danger and you are the only one with seemingly enough sense to get her help. Then again, you're not 21. And you're drunk.

This is the situation addressed by the medical amnesty policies in existence at more than 90 schools across the country.

Notre Dame is not one of them.

Participating institutions include Duke, Harvard, Yale, Princeton and MIT — all schools Notre Dame proudly calls peers. The list also includes St. John's, Texas Christian, St. Lawrence and Benedictine — all universities sharing Notre Dame's commitment to Christian ideals of neighborly love and assistance.

Even more interestingly, our sister school across the street — founded by the same Catholic order which founded Notre Dame — maintains a medical amnesty policy, which protects the student who is sick or injured from getting in trouble, and a Good Samaritan protection policy, which protects the student who seeks help for the student in need. Saint Mary's adopted the policy to ensure student safety is the first priority.

And yet, Notre Dame chose not to include some form of a medical amnesty policy in its revisions to du Lac, the student handbook, in 2010.

In his inaugural address, University President Fr. John Jenkins insisted, "The world needs a university that graduates men and women who are not only capable and knowledgeable, but who accept their responsibility to serve others — especially those in the greatest need."

Without a medical amnesty policy and a Good Samaritan

policy, Notre Dame risks its mission to provide a residential life that "endeavors to develop that sense of community and of responsibility that prepares students for subsequent leadership in building a society that is at once more human and more divine."

What sense of responsibility is fostered by an atmosphere of fear and danger? How are leaders supposed to act when faced with the possibility their responsible actions may get them into trouble with the University? How does Notre Dame foster a sense of community by preventing students from helping their peers because they're afraid of the consequences?

Those of us who went to Catholic schools as children learned about the Parable of the Good

Samaritan in Luke's gospel. Three men come across a traveler who has been attacked by robbers and left for dead on a road. A priest and a Levite pass the man by and offer him no assistance. Then a Samaritan comes across the man, offers him help, takes him to an inn to recover, and pays for his lodging; the Good Samaritan.

Now, let's go back to that hypothetical party.

You determine that it is up to you to get Amy medical help. So you call NDSP and several officers and an ambulance respond and take Amy away — possibly saving her life. She recovers and thanks you and she does not get into trouble under Saint Mary's current medical amnesty policy.

Unfortunately, with Notre Dame's current policies, you still do face the consequences of your underage drinking. You may get a ticket for consumption and spend the night at the local jail. Or you may be called to testify at a Residence Life meeting and have the violation added to your personal file.

As Jesus recounts the parable in Luke, he asks those gathered around him which man in the story was a neighbor to the man who was attacked. An expert in the law replied that the most neighborly man was the Samaritan "who had mercy on him."

Jesus responds, "Go and do likewise." (Luke 10:25-37 NIV)

Notre Dame does not allow its students to do likewise. Good Samaritans are only "good" as long as they themselves are free of guilt. Otherwise, they are culpable for their own actions even if those actions pale in comparison to their selfless assistance to others.

Notre Dame needs a medical amnesty policy. Our students deserve the freedom from fear when living out their Catholic mission and protecting their neighbors.

## THE OBSERVER Editorial

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Disregard disregarding the mandate

Jessica Carney, Ken Fowler and others,

In an age where it seems our nation's youth has generally become apathetic about politics, I applaud the efforts that you have made to understand the political arena of our nation. I especially applaud the enthusiasm in which you take on such a controversial piece of legislation which affects issues (i.e. abortion) close to the hearts of Catholics. I applaud you even more (and slightly louder) for wanting to take action for something you so strongly believe in, religious freedom and following in the footsteps of Martin Luther King Jr., a pioneer in positive change.

I can only assume that your call for civil disobedience echoes your attitudes that no one (or more than one) person should be discriminated against, and you believe that the Affordable Care Act discriminates against your religion. Again, applause.

However, I believe that anything short of providing comprehensive health care for women, who have been one of the most discriminated against groups in health care and who suffer from an increasing disparity in health care quality, according to a recent AHRQ (Agency for Health Care Research and Quality) study, is "literally unconscionable."

Fact 1: According to Guttmacher Institute research, 98 percent of sexually active Catholic women use contraception.

Fact 2: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, almost half of pregnancies in the U.S. are unintended, more than in any other developed nation.

Fact 3: According to the New York Times, nearly a third of women who stop using birth control do so because of changes in insurance coverage.

This bill is not an attack against religious freedom like many Catholic and pro-choice leaders wish you to believe. (There are a growing number of Catholic leaders, Catholics for Choice, who disagree with the far-right Catholics.) This is a bill that grants freedom, equality and power to women and is both reasonable and for the common good. This bill represents the biggest gains feminism has seen since the 1970s.

I call upon all Notre Dame and Saint Mary's women (and all the men, too) to disregard disregarding the mandate.

Long Live Roe.

Collier O'Connor  
junior  
off-campus  
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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"It is absurd to divide people into good and bad. People are either charming or tedious."*

Oscar Wilde  
Irish dramatist, novelist & poet

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## WHERE WILL YOU WATCH SUPER BOWL 2012?

With my roommates	72% (18)
O'Rourke's	8% (2)
Brothers	8% (2)
Indianapolis	12% (3)

total number of votes: 25



## “Knucklehead-of-the-year” awards

It’s officially the Chinese Lunar Year of the Water Dragon, ancient symbol reserved for the Chinese emperor and considered to be an extremely auspicious sign of things to come. But the Mayan calendar ends this year with prophesies of an end-of-time second-coming rapture in the coming months — of course, only following the Christian Zionistic salvation of Israel through a conversion to Christianity. Therefore, now is the final time in the whole of history that anyone can honor a prior year’s most egregious knuckleheads neatly categorized under Notre Dame, Country and God.

Snark aside, this writer was shocked last November that oft-times ND opponent Penn State fired Coach Joe Paterno. Paterno’s passing this week is truly sad. The first “Knucklehead-of-the-Year” award goes to my home state’s knucklehead-in-chief, Governor Tom Corbett, who as attorney general did not pursue child abuse charges during his tenure, but as a leading voice of the PSU trustees used sketchy information to fire — rather than suspend — Paterno. Corbett has set his own standard now to fire any of his appointees should they show any moral lacking.

ND award two: what knuckleheads — sorry, Coach Kelly, because I otherwise fully support you — authorized that epic garment fail by adding CYO-

**Gary Caruso**  
*Capitol Comments*

looking mismatched green colored shamrocks on the Notre Dame football helmets? Talk about looking so high school compared to the classy bowl jerseys that featured the players’ names. Jazz the uniforms subtly by keeping the names and embroider a Fightin’ Irish Leprechaun above the heart or add a stripe under the armpit if you must become flashy for recruiting. Better yet, color our boring drab white-striped end zones with leprechauns or logos. And please remember that our school colors are blue and gold, NOT solid green! Dan Devine wore out the green mystique 35 years ago.

Stupid sports knucklehead awards go to NFL, NCAA and high school players who epitomize dumb consequences. The most obvious award goes to Isaiah Lewis, the Michigan State football player whose “running into the punter” penalty gave Wisconsin a first down, the game and a trip to the Rose Bowl. In the NFL, Buffalo’s Stevie Johnson was “just having fun” when, after a touchdown catch, he mocked New York Jets Plaxico Burress’ shot in the thigh. Johnson’s knucklehead celebratory fun contributed to a 28-24 Bills loss.

In high school sports, Boston Cathedral senior quarterback Matthew Owens faked a handoff and sprinted into the end zone for what looked like his school’s first ever game-winning Super Bowl title. But Owens drew a “taunting behavior by someone scoring a touchdown” penalty at the 20-

yard line when he raised his arm and pointed his finger toward the sky. With the score called back, Boston Cathedral failed to score before time expired and lost 16-14. If only Owens and Tim Tebow had direct wireless connections to the heavens to simply speak without gesturing.

Our country’s criminal knuckleheads also abound. John Robin Whittle never let his good beer go to waste in Florida. The 52-year-old ordered his beer, left to rob a bank, then returned to the bar to finish his brew before his prompt arrest. Timothy Clark did not thoroughly plan the day of his shoplifting arrest at a Wal-Mart — the same day police held their “Shop With A Cop” charity event. Isaiah Cutler, 18, was accused of burglarizing more than \$8,000 worth of cash, cigarettes, candy and checks from a Pittsburgh market an hour after the theft when he posted pictures of himself and the loot on his Facebook page.

Honorable mention knucklehead awards go to Jeffrey Drew Wilschke, who changed his name to “Mr. Beezow Doo-Doo Zopittybop-Bop-Bop,” the Washington motorist who was busted for his bone-headed decision to put a skeleton in his passenger seat to drive in the HOV lane and to a Los Angeles Chick-fil-A cashier who described Asian customers as “Ching” and “Chong” on their receipts.

God also works in strange knucklehead ways. Christian conservative lead-

er Pat Robertson heard straight from the Almighty that God does not support President Barack Obama’s agenda and that only “overwhelming prayer” can bring a new leader who will stop the country from “disintegrating.” Cardinal Francis George, Archbishop of Chicago, compared Gay Pride Parade organizers to “something like the Ku Klux Klan,” for plans to pass by his church. Former “Saturday Night Live” actress Victoria Jackson, with confidential information through her special clearance, claimed that the United States is being overtaken by radical Muslims bent on bringing the nation under Sharia law.

Finally, a reverse knucklehead award — for the code of canon law describing marriage as unfit for the clergy. Los Angeles Auxiliary Bishop Gabino Zavala, 60, resigned after acknowledging he fathered two children. Perhaps the knucklehead award should go to Pope Gregory for the 7th Century rule designed only to take a priest’s property after death. No matter, the world ends in 2012 anyway.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Where is the fairness?

When President Obama was elected in 2008, it was seen as a sign of increasing fairness in America. Deserved or not, President Obama himself was seen as a sign of fairness and all that is right when it comes to equality. However, with the new Health and Human Services mandate that he and his administration have adopted, it seems as though fairness can only extend to one party.

What Notre Dame is faced with is a lose-lose situation. We could go along with the mandate, thus throwing our collective Catholic identity and adherence to the Church’s doctrines out the window. This, of course, is something that we should not and will not do. Our hallmark as one of the — if not the absolute — best Catholic universities will be lost.

The second option is to eliminate health coverage for Notre Dame employees. This also contradicts what the Church preaches in terms of helping and protecting those who seek such protection. Additionally, eliminating coverage not only goes against Church teachings, but it will also cost the school a penalty of ten million a year, according to Mr. William McGurn in his Wall Street Journal article that specifically looked at the law and how it affects not only the Catholic left, but institutions like Notre Dame. That penalty amounts to about \$1,200 per undergraduate student, which may possibly be made up through a \$1,200 addition to our tuition and fees.

In addition, by not covering school employees, there is a real chance that very qualified professors and workers will not want to risk working for a company that has no coverage for them. Therefore, President Obama may not only be hurting this school’s chances to hire respected and intelligent professors, cooks and landscapers, but he also may be increasing the cost of attending Catholic schools that may drop coverage — which is significant for a man who

wants every American child to attain higher education.

There is even a third option, as noted by Ms. Carney et al., which disregards the mandate. That option is to accept the coverage, but only enact the parts that do not conflict with Church teachings. This is perhaps the most viable option, but it’s impossible to see how the HHS will react to such selective interpretation of the mandate. One could assume, however, that fines, sanctions and legal action of some sort will be levied against the University — all against a Catholic school that just wishes to keep its Catholic identity true. Separation of church and state works both ways. President Obama is trying to meddle in the affairs of the Catholic Church with state policies, a right that many people will say he does not have.

Looking back, I was actually wrong early on in this letter. I said it was a lose-lose situation for the University, when in fact, Notre Dame is faced with a lose-lose-lose situation.

What President Obama fails to see is that he too is facing a losing situation. By enacting this mandate, he risks the chance of alienating the Catholic left who helped him get to office in the first place. President Obama’s chance for re-election may increase if he simply decides to not act in a position of change for religions, most notably Catholicism.

I do hope that the University will continue to fight this, and I am in agreement with Ms. Carney et al. when I say that I will stand by the University against this overstepping of boundaries.

Love Thee Notre Dame!

**Alan Keck**  
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## Thank God

In the weeks before the Asiatic Gaze’s debut Race Monologues, a friend requested I reflect on diversity, race and multiculturalism.

As a white male, I have only one thing to say: Thank God.

Today, diversity, race, and multiculturalism are tainted words. Plagued by a history of man vehemently trying his best to limit his surroundings to the familiar and the comfortable, these words have become permanently attached to concepts of tension, frustration, alienation and violence. One has only to look in a child’s textbook, at the TV or in a newspaper to find proof that these words have become tainted.

What a shame this is. Somehow we have surrounded ourselves with things that solidify, on a daily basis, one of mankind’s greatest misconceptions: that diversity is a problem. Diversity, by definition, means little more than difference, and who would ever argue

that difference is bad? Difference is what makes life exciting, whether it is seen in the exploration of a new academic subject or in meeting of a new person. It is in diversity, race and multiculturalism that we see the infinite number of ways in which one can be beautiful, intelligent, funny, fun, genuine or passionate. It is diversity, race and multiculturalism that make it possible for there to be more than one way to be human. If there is any set of words that we should permanently attach feelings of excitement, wonder and admiration to, is it not this set?

So whether you are a white male yourself or not, I would hope you have only one thing to say about these words as well: Thank God.

**Stephen Zerfas**  
sophomore  
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## Mike Brey for president

I’m often tempted to write to The Observer, but I always wait to see if what seems rational is actually a quick emotional response to something that doesn’t matter. In this case, though, I’ve served my time in Viewpoint purgatory and I need to get this out.

Mike Brey needs some love. In our decade with him at the helm of the basketball program he has consistently over-achieved, winning with any and every group of players possible in what has been the toughest basketball conference in the country in that time. He’s recruited solid talent to a football school in the middle of Indiana, which has to be one of the toughest tasks possible, and he’s made himself one of the best members of this University. Every time I get an email from him, every time I see him yelling on the sideline, and every time I watch his teams I get excited and I couldn’t be more proud to

have him as our coach. While other programs have blamed losses and recruiting woes on field surface and the lack of jumbo-trons, Mike Brey has won with any and every group of players. While other programs have blamed the intensity of the student section, Mike Brey creates his own excitement on the bench and in the student section. While other coaches stubbornly stick to their style of play even when it isn’t working, Coach Brey does everything to win, even if it means only shooting the ball every four minutes. The win over Syracuse was the single most exciting sporting event I have ever been a part of, and the most proud I have ever been to be a Notre Dame student, so Coach Brey, thank you.

**Will Streit**  
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## Style with Sean

## Fashion by Felicia

So you're not Barney Stinson or have that innate desire to wear a suit everyday. I get it. You generally hate dressing up, but it has to be done sometimes. However, the Winter Career and Internship Fair is fast approaching. You want to present your best self, but you don't really understand what makes some guys look so good in a suit. Here are some areas to look at when dressing for that key interview (in order of importance).

**Sean Fitzgerald**

*Scene Writer*

### No. 1: The Shoulders

Since the downfall of menswear in the late 1960s (when was the last time you saw a well-dressed hippie?), men and their suits have lost their way. Men have been choosing to wear suits that don't fit well, on purpose. And, it all starts with the shoulders. The shoulders should be close-fitting with minimal-shoulder padding. You're not a linebacker; you're looking for a job.

Even the best tailors can't alter the shoulders that much. Here's a trick to tell if the shoulders fit right. Put on the jacket and stand next to a wall. Slowly lean into the wall with your shoulder. The shoulder and the pad should hit at the same time. If not, size down until it does.

### No. 2: Armholes

Back in 2010, Banana Republic came out with their Suiting 101 Guide. Note to Banana Republic: it was TERRIBLE. When talking about armholes BR said, "Give yourself room to move. The armhole should be wide enough to allow considerable motion." If you

know anything about BR suits, they have been known to have quite low armholes. They cause the whole suit to move when you raise your arms, you don't want that. Go for the modern, high armholes.

### No. 3: Jacket Waist

Repeat after me — I am not wearing a box; I am wearing a suit. The fabric from your torso to your armpits should not make a straight, vertical line down. It should dart in. Even if you think your suit fits well, go to your tailor and have him/her pin you up. This will cost about \$20.

### No. 4: Pant Break

The break is where the pant meets the shoe and creates that "crease." There should be only ONE crease, not 5. This is known as a medium break. Although there has been a recent trend in the menswear industry to have pants with no break, it is hard to pull off. Hemming the pants will cost about \$10.

### No. 5: Jacket Length

Put your arms at your side, and curl up your fingers. The jacket should be resting in your hands. Shortening the jacket length is about \$30-\$40.

### No. 6: Jacket Sleeves

About 1/4" to a 1/2" of the shirt cuff should be visible when your arms are hanging by your side, but it's not the end of the world if you can't get it done. Shortening the jacket sleeves will cost about \$20.

### No. 7: Lapels and Ties

Lapels are what most of you would call the "collar." Thinner guys should opt for thin lapels.

Thin lapels should also be matched with thinner ties. Ties should not go past the belt buckle.

My Advice: Take this guide with you and go see your tailor! While you're there, get measured and have him/her pin you up.

Trust me, it can make all the difference.

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Figure skater Anton Apolo Ohno shows off the before and after style.

It is an undeniable fact of our fashionable life that every fashionista has a pet peeve: something that drives her off her style rocker. I am no exception. More than mermaid tails on gowns (always strut, never waddle), cheap fabric (uncomfortable and unsophisticated), and large bows (what am I, a present?), I loathe interview outfits.

As our Notre Dame Career Fair approaches, I am overcome with dread. Picking out an outfit for this circus is more complicated than negotiating a peace treaty at the Hague.

What do I want to project to this potential employer: who I am, my strengths? Do I emphasize my boldness or play down my fashion sense to emphasize my intelligence? Why are these two things mutually exclusive? To suit or not to suit? Is wearing a silk scarf too exotic? A briefcase or a purse with portfolio?

And let's not forget the shoes! I know you, fellow fashionistas, understand my plight. We are in a precarious position. We are on the cusp of adulthood (actual employment) and at the zenith of our youth.

And unless you're interviewing with a luxury brand goods company who prides itself on innovation, a backless black linen halter dress with red patent leather shoes, purse, and belt (yes, I did wear that to an interview, with great success I might add) is not going to cut it.

So, what are we to do? Clearly, break the cookie cutter mold, and show those interviewers the tiramisu they've been missing. We need new fashion ingredients to redefine the Career Fair Fashion recipe.



**Felicia Caponigri**

*Scene Writer*



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**Junior Rebecca Holmberg models Career Fair Fashion.**

### No. 1: Suits are optional

There was a time (circa *Working Girl*) when we women felt the need to prove we could occupy the same playground as our male colleagues. We hid our femininity under boxy blazers and pencil skirts. No more. Wearing a dress or even walking shorts with a blazer communicates your ability to think outside the box. When your employer needs a new spin on that marketing plan, they'll know who to turn to. If you do feel more comfortable in a suit, pick a flattering cut. For pants, make them skinny, don't drown in boot cut. Make sure the blazer emphasizes your waist, not your shoulders.

### No. 2: Color is Your Friend

Imagine how many people will be standing in line in front of you. Twenty, thirty? How do you expect to make an impression on an interviewer if you're just one of many in black? Sure, you can talk up your experience, but give them visual cues to match you to your résumé. A red dress, a bright electric blue blazer, even a patterned blouse will get you the attention and remembrance you deserve.

### No. 3: Accessorize, Accessorize, Accessorize

I once had an employer tell me the reason I received an assignment was because he was impressed by the way I coordinated my outfits. I swear. He said that if I paid that much attention to the detail of my ensemble, he could only imagine how detail-oriented I would be on the project. Clearly, he was a very smart man.

### No. 4: Streamline shoes

Heels are a must, but don't go out and buy the token, clunky interview pair. Wear heels you've worn before, that you feel comfortable in, to which you've attached good memories. And they don't need to be black! It will make

standing on your own two feet, literally and figuratively, much easier in a stressful situation. And with that, you are woman, go roar.

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# WORST WEEK EVER

## PAULA DEEN

By ROSS FINNEY  
Scene Writer

In the December issue of Rolling Stone, Black Keys drummer Patrick Carney gave his outlook on the state of rock music at the present.

His opinion was pretty bleak. He took to task Nickelback, complaining that the band with the most mediocre music was somehow the biggest selling rock band in the country.

More shockingly however, he indicted the folks in the indie music scene, his band's primary champions for the last ten years, complaining that their standards of authenticity as inversely related to popular success were way out of line, and holding back rock music.

In some ways this was just a musician letting off steam. After ten years of hard work, he has the critical legitimacy and popular appeal to speak off the cuff.

In another greater sense, Carney was positioning his band as the champions of rock and roll in the modern era—popular enough to get on the charts, authentic enough to please music geeks.

The positioning of the Black Keys as the saviors of commercial rock music is a bold move, and one that comes as a bit of a surprise to those of us for whom the group was a backburner band, good but under the radar for the better part of a decade.

Surprising as it may be, given the state of rock music, where the Keys' only real competitors are the Kings of Leon, on whom the critical community did a 180 after their grab for the mainstream, Carney may just be on to something.

Of course this new role for Carney and singer-guitarist Dan Auerbach is predicated entirely on the success of their newest album, and proving that the 2010's hit *Brothers*, was no fluke. Luckily, *El Camino's* a fantastic rock and roll album.

Produced by Danger Mouse, *El Camino* manages to rein the Keys' bluesy jams into tight and effective pop songs, without losing the hard rock edge that fans love.

The album is only eleven songs long, and it plays very quickly. It's one of the rare rock and roll records where any number of songs could be potential singles, and it has a great sense of balance as an album that often gets overlooked now that we buy single songs more often than full records.

The lead single "Lonely Boy," is a super catchy tune, that's fuzzy, exciting, a little glam and already showing up in advertisements.

The second single, "Run Right Back" lacks "Lonely Boy"'s energetic drive, but melodically is probably the sweetest and catchiest song on the entire album.

The band, who have always been rooted in older music, manage to make something new while still giving deserved nods to their influences.

The blues is obvious but on this album, the Keys have incorporated a broader range of influences, especially on tracks like "Stop Stop", which could well be Rolling Stones song, and "Hell of a Season", that has a very distinct Cramps vibe in the opening minutes.

For those less interested in pop stylings and more in the Keys' rocking side, the album also offers plenty to love.

"Gold on the Ceiling" is an excellent up tempo number with grungy guitar and a rocking chorus that more than warrants some enthusiastic air guitar. "Little Black Submarines" starts as a soft acoustic ditty that, in true old-school Black Keys fashion, slow-burns into heavy electric blues mayhem. It's awesome.

With *El Camino* the Black Keys have managed to put out a good rock and roll record that has mainstream appeal, a rarity in today's market. Early indications are that the album is selling well, and as Patrick Carney astutely pointed out, the Keys, given their continued ability to put out music of this quality, are poised to change the commercial face of rock and roll.

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### "El Camino"

By: The Black Keys  
Produced by: Danger Mouse  
Label: Nonesuch  
Released: Dec. 6, 2011



Paula Deen the Queen of Lean? In her dreams. The Southern butter belle has taken a beating in the kitchen this week as her love of cream and sugar molded into fodder for a mass media picnic. Poor Paula Deen, always trying to spread love in a time of calorie-a-

a, is having the Worst Week Ever.

The poofy bouffant announced to the world last week that she was suffering from Type 2 Diabetes, a form of the blood sugar disease often attributed to obesity. Deen's announcement also brought with it news that she actually received the diagnosis three years ago. Is that trouble I smell brewing in the kitchen?

Critics raged that Deen misled audiences, drowning helpless fruits and veggies in legions of lard as she pumped insulin backstage.

With a blinding white smile and blazing blue eyes, Deenie-baby acted like the overindulgence was anything but dangerous. After fans learned her devious secret, the layers of warm Southerly love for their grandmother-from-another-mother began to melt away.

The love even fell short in Deen's very own family. Her son Bobby started his own show "Not My Mama's Meals" which aired Jan. 4 on The



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Cooking Channel, a Food Network spinoff. The broadcast boasts of delights like "Bobby's Lighter Fresh Fruit Bread Pudding" and "Bobby's Lighter Frozen Chocolate Mousse Pie." He's like a walking ad for jazzercise devotees.

News outlets suspect Deen's announcement serves as a sort of promo for her progeny's show, sort of a "Look what I did wrong, now watch my son make it better" spiel. All I can say is at least there's some love bouncing around in this whole ordeal, because we know Deen's not feeling it from the media.

Deen recently became a spokeswoman for a diabetes drug maker's health initiative, and critics again cried foul. They say Deen only came out with her diabetes announcement to promote her upcoming commercial role. In fact, Deen's publicist, Nancy Assuncao, quit this week because of her former boss's plans to plug the drug, according to "The New York Post." Assuncao has kept pretty mum about the ordeal, but the timing can't be for nothing.

The food wars rage on as everything Deen does is now under a microscopic light. ABC News ran an article on their website Thursday titled, "Paula Deen Caught Eating a Cheeseburger."

Really? Note: On the American Diabetes Association website, there is a photo of a hamburger in the side bar with the caption "Bring Back the Classics! 135 diabetes-friendly recipes." Who's to say the Queen Deen wasn't indulging the diabetic way? This girl can't catch a break.

Actually, she can. She conveniently escaped on a Caribbean Cruise and is probably basking in sunshine and happiness (and heaven forbid, a burger) as I write this article. So maybe her week really wasn't all that bad and maybe she'll once again ascend to the top of the chef's throne. One thing's for sure though, viewers are going to look a little more closely at each dollop of Daisy Deen drops.

Paula Deen, haters will hate. All I can say is I'd have you in my kitchen any day. Maybe not every day, because I'd like to live a long time. But a casual Sunday here and there — I'm all yours.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

The good, the bad and the ugly of Twitter use

Sports often bring out the best and worst in people. Moments of triumph, personal goals being achieved and the unity of a passionate fan base are just some of the things that help make the nature of these competitive contests so special. But at the same time, inappropriate conduct and poor sportsmanship from athletes and over-the-top behavior from fans can signify a more disturbing side.

And with the increase of social media in our digital world, these actions, and others, are exemplified all too well.

Look around and it is not too difficult to see the impact that Twitter has made on the sporting world. Much of that impact is in a positive way. Never before have fans and athletes been able to interact so frequently, with fans being able to follow their favorite athletes and their daily lives. Fans can also send messages directly to their favorite athletes and the athletes will often interact back, either through a direct response or a retweet. The NFL is even going so far as to allow players to use Twitter on the sideline at the Pro Bowl this weekend.

Many would argue this connection of knowing where an athlete is at a given moment or what he's eating for dinner is a little too personal, which is perhaps true. At the same time, it is up to that athlete to monitor what they tweet and even who follows them if they wish. Typically, if they tweet often, they are more than happy to share that said connection with the fans who love them.

In addition, Twitter is a great way for fans to follow the beat writers for their teams to get the latest up to date information, as it's developing. Breaking news has been leaked on Twitter in the past and fans can even ask the journalists who cover the sports and teams they follow detailed questions to be answered on the site. This provides an increased access to information and knowledge never before seen.

But for all of its good, there are lots and lots of ways for Twitter to be misused which can have devastating consequences.



Sam Gans  
Sports Writer

Any Irish fan that follows recruiting has heard of Yuri Wright, who just last week was kicked out of Don Bosco Prep in New Jersey shortly after sexually and racially inappropriate tweets were discovered on his Twitter account. The four-star cornerback was believed to have Notre Dame and Michigan high on his radar before committing to Colorado on Tuesday. While only Wright and the coaching staffs know for sure, it seems likely the Irish and Wolverines both removed their respective offers due to his conduct.

Fans can also use Twitter in a negative fashion, as displayed by the recent threats directed toward Kyle Williams. Williams fumbled two punts during the San Francisco 49ers' overtime loss to the New York Giants in the NFC Championship on Sunday and was promptly bombarded by hate and death threats via the social media site. Needless to say, this behavior is disgusting at best and potentially very dangerous at worst.

Even sports broadcasters and writers — who are supposed to exhibit journalistic integrity — aren't immune. Dave Hodge, a broadcaster for TSN (Canada's version of ESPN), recently came under fire for a tweet about Boston Bruins goaltender Tim Thomas, after Thomas declined to visit the White House when President Obama honored his team's Stanley Cup championship. Hodge happened to point out that "Thomas has three children named Kiley, Kelsey and Keegan," implying Thomas has loyalties to the KKK. TSN has since said the embarrassing tweet was "in poor taste," and the matter will be handled internally.

Twitter is an impressive phenomenon that, if used effectively, can help connect athletes, sportswriters and fans in a way never before possible, thereby increasing our passion for and knowledge of the games we love. But it can also lead people to take a game way too far and cause regrets they will live with for a long time. Let's all — players, coaches, administrators, journalists and fans alike — try to hold Twitter use to the former.

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MLB

Tigers introduce their Prince

Associated Press

DETROIT — Prince Fielder stood with a smile and recalled his earliest memories of old Tiger Stadium, when he would hang out at the ballpark where his father hit so many massive home runs.

"For me, it was always Sparky saying I was going to pinch hit — and I really believed him," Fielder said, referring to former manager Sparky Anderson. "I'm just glad I get to come back."

The Tigers introduced Fielder on Thursday after finalizing a \$214 million, nine-year contract with the free agent first baseman, who is expected to hit a lot more home runs than his dad.

Fielder was born in 1984, the last time Detroit won the World Series. After luring him back to Michigan with the fourth-largest deal in baseball history, the Tigers are hoping Fielder will help usher in a new championship era for the Motor City.

"This is awesome," Fielder said. "It's kind of a dream come true. I'm excited."

Detroit began seriously pursuing Fielder after designated hitter Victor Martinez tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee during offseason conditioning. Now the Tigers have three of baseball's biggest stars — Fielder, Miguel Cabrera and Justin Verlander — all in their primes. Detroit won the AL Central by 15 games last year but lost to Texas in the AL championship series.

"We're trying to win right now," general manager Dave Dombrowski said. "We tried to win last year. We were close. I think we've reached a point now, on a yearly basis, we feel that way. When you look at the core of our group of players, there's a lot of guys that are on that field right now that are quality players."

It will be up to manager Jim Leyland to figure out where to play all of his powerful hitters. He said Thursday the Tigers will move Miguel Cabrera from first base to third to make room for Fielder. He also listed a possible batting order, with Cabrera hitting third and Fielder fourth.

It's a lineup based on power, not speed. That much is clear.

"If they hit it where they're supposed to hit 'em, they can trot," Leyland said. "We're going back to the old-fashioned baseball. We've got big-time power on the corners."

Fielder's father Cecil became a big league star when he returned to the majors from Japan and hit 51 home runs with Detroit in 1990. Cecil played with the Tigers into the 1996 season,



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First baseman Prince Fielder is introduced to the media Thursday after agreeing to a nine-year contract with the Detroit Tigers.

and young Prince made a name for himself with his prodigious power displays during batting practice at Tiger Stadium.

Detroit plays at Comerica Park now, and times have changed. Leyland manages the Tigers, not Sparky Anderson.

Fielder's contract includes a limited no-trade provision. He can be traded to 10 clubs without his consent before 2017, when he gains rights to block all trades under baseball's labor contract as a 10-year veteran who has been with a team for at least five years.

He will earn \$23 million in each of his first two years with Detroit, then will make \$24 million annually in the final seven seasons of his contract, according to terms obtained by The Associated Press.

That contrasts with Albert Pujols' backloaded \$240 million, 10-year contract with the Los Angeles Angels, agreed to last month.

Pujols gets \$12 million this year and \$16 million in 2013, with the salary increasing to \$23 million in 2014 and then rising \$1 million annually.

The move carries plenty of risk for the Tigers. Fielder is 27 and has been extremely durable during his career, but Detroit is committing to him for almost a decade.

"I go by my instinct, like everybody else does," said owner Mike Ilitch, who signed off on the massive deal after what had been a quiet offseason for the Tigers.

"My instincts told me that this is going to work out fine."

The next big step will be Cabrera's. He's returning to a position he played while with the Florida Marlins, but he's played only 14 games at third base with the Tigers — all in 2008 right after he joined the team.

Fielder made 15 errors last year, the most in baseball by a first baseman.

"Mr. Ilitch and Dave have given me a lot of nice pieces to this puzzle. It's my job, along with coaches, to figure out how to put that puzzle all together," Leyland said. "(Cabrera) is not going to have the agility, most likely, defensively that Brandon Inge had. You give up a little something, but you get a whole lot in return."

Leyland said he talked to Inge, who lost his job as Detroit's everyday third baseman last season.

"He's not the happiest camper," Leyland said. "He certainly understands."

Dombrowski indicated he's satisfied with his roster heading into spring training, although it's hard to rule out any more moves after the Tigers shockingly emerged with Fielder.

The pitching rotation is anchored by Verlander, who won the Cy Young Award and MVP last year, but Detroit's fifth starter spot is still uncertain. Dombrowski said the Tigers could bring in some non-roster invites to compete for that job.

"I think positional player-wise, we're pretty well set," he said.

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1926 - John Baird, a Scottish inventor, demonstrated a pictorial transmission machine called television.

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1944 - The Soviet Union announced that the two year German siege of Leningrad had come to an end.

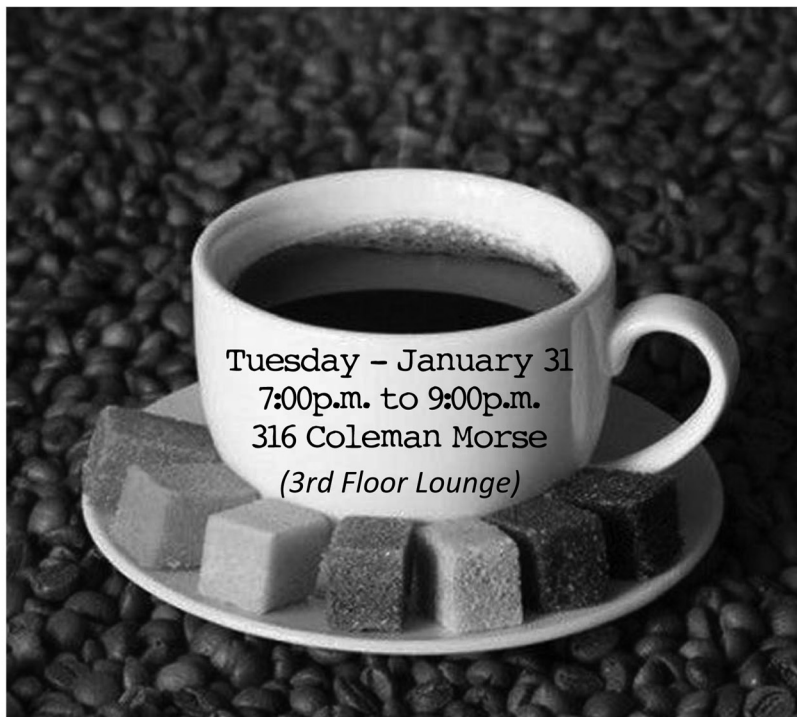
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## TRACK & FIELD

# Indiana Relays to add prep time for Big East



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**Sophomore sprinters Bryce Wood, left, and Jarrod Buchanan, right, run side by side at the Notre Dame Invitational on Jan. 21.**

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Sports Writer

Coming off an impressive performance in the Notre Dame Invitational, the Irish travel to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Relays this weekend.

Now several weeks into its schedule, Notre Dame hopes to continue to add momentum leading up to the first Big East championships of the season. Notre Dame coach Joe Piane said the Indiana Relays represent a great opportunity for the Irish to participate in a competitive environment as the meet will include talented representatives from a number of different schools.

"It's a good quality field all the way around which is really important," Piane said. "You've got to have good competition and this appears to be really good competition."

In the meet, Piane will also have the chance to see some of his athletes compete in new and unfamiliar events.

"We'll find out where some people are in different events," he said. "Everybody has raced, but we are going to put some people in different events. [Sophomore sprinter] Patrick Feeney and [freshman sprinter] Chris Giesting are going to be running the 200[-meter dash], which they haven't done as much this year, and Chris certainly hasn't."

Giesting provided the highlight in last weekend's home event for the Irish by breaking a 29-year-old school record in the 500-meter run his first time competing in the event. The talented freshman is among the group of top performers Piane expects to lead the way for the Irish in their upcoming meet.

"We have some very good individuals in the field events and we have three very good 400-meter men in Brendan

Dougherty, Chris Giesting and Pat Feeney," he said. "On the women's side we have some pretty good middle distance and distance and we have some very good sprinters. [Freshman sprinter and hurdler] Kaila Barber is running well, and [senior] Maddie Buttinger is one of the better multi-event athletes, certainly in the Big East. So we have some pretty good kids everywhere. We've got a good club all the way around, both genders."

Competing for the Irish for the first time this weekend will be a trio of football players. Freshman running back George Atkinson III, freshman cornerback Josh Atkinson and sophomore cornerback Bennett Jackson joined Piane's team for practice this week and will be running sprints for Notre Dame this weekend.

The meet at Indiana will give Notre Dame's stars a chance to shine, but will also provide other Irish athletes with an opportunity to earn a spot in the Big East championships, scheduled for Feb. 18 and 19 in New York City.

"Our goals, always, are to do well at the Big East meets and get to the NCAAs," Piane said. "We have a lot of kids [who have] qualified for the Big East meet already, and you can't get to the Big East meet unless you qualify. Then, we hope to get some kids to the NCAA Nationals."

With his team's long-term goals in mind, Piane expects to see successful results from his athletes this weekend.

"I think we will do well, I think we will do very well," he said.

The Indiana Relays begin at 3 p.m. Friday and continue all day Saturday at Indiana University.

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ND Women's SWIMMING & DIVING

Irish host Shamrock Invitational to close home season



Junior Jenny Chiang tucks into a dive during the Irish's dual meet against Michigan State at the Rolfs Aquatic Center on Jan. 21.

By MATT UNGER  
Sports Writer

After dominating Michigan State at home last weekend, the Irish will compete at Rolfs Aquatic Center for the last time this season when they host the annual Shamrock Invitational this weekend.

Big Ten foes Ohio State and Iowa will travel to Notre Dame for the three-team meet.

The Irish ended a four-match losing streak with a 218-82 team win against the Spartans Jan. 21, highlighted by the performance of sophomore swimmer Kelly Ryan. For her efforts in winning four events — including three individual ones — Ryan garnered the Big East Swimmer of the Week honor, marking the fourth time in eight weeks an Irish swimmer has won the award.

No. 14 Ohio State will pose a formidable challenge to the Notre

Dame swimmers. The Buckeyes hosted the Irish at the beginning of December in the Buckeye Invitational and finished first in the five-team meet. Notre Dame finished fourth in the event. Iowa, unranked like Notre Dame, recently defeated Illinois and Harvard in dual meets.

The Shamrock Invitational will also match two top-ranked freshmen swimmers in both the Big Ten and Big East.

The Hawkeyes' Becky Stoughton earned weekly all-conference honors this past week, the third time she received a conference award this season. Stoughton earned three first-place finishes in the team's double-dual meet

with Northwestern and Harvard. In addition, Collegewimming.com named her Division I Swimmer of the Week in early December.

Meanwhile, Irish freshman Emma Reaney achieved similar success in breaststroke and individual medley events. She has been named Big East Swimmer of the Week three times this season.

Following the Shamrock Invitational, the Irish will travel to Muncie, Ind., to face Ball State on Feb. 4 in their final meet prior to the Big East championships.

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Belles

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former players back and here to watch us," Henley said. "It's going to be a really good atmosphere."

With the added crowd support, the Belles will look to avenge a 74-56 loss to the Flying Dutch earlier this season. To do so, the Belles will have to overcome a Hope team that is second overall in the MIAA in both scoring offense and defense. While the Belles are facing a tough opponent, Henley said they are treating Hope like any other conference team.

"I think [the MIAA confer-

ence teams] are all big opponents," Henley said. "I don't think one is any more important than another at this point. We are going to prepare like we normally do for the game."

The Belles outrebounded Trine by 20 in Wednesday's win. Henley identified dominance on the boards as one key to the game against Hope Saturday.

"It's really more about us continuing to box out, controlling the boards at both ends, creating second shots for ourselves and playing great team defense," Henley said.

A victory Saturday would bring Saint Mary's back to an overall .500 record and solidify the Belles in the fourth spot in

the MIAA with only six games left in the regular season. With only the top four teams set to advance to the MIAA playoffs, Henley said the Belles need their core group of seniors to lead the way.

"These five seniors have been doing great things since they have arrived on campus their freshman year," Henley said. "They are a very talented group. We go as they go. They are certainly our leaders and need to continue to be so as we go down the stretch here."

The Belles will tip-off against Hope in front of a crowd of former players Saturday at 3 p.m.

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McGraw

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win for us, and now we've moved on and we are looking forward to Saint John's. It's the most important game on our schedule right now."

The Red Storm (13-7, 5-1) come into the game having won six out of their last seven contests, a stretch that has made them candidates for a national ranking.

"They are a team that is a potential top-10 team," McGraw said. "They've got a great athletic team. They've got really good guards, good post play and, for them, this is a huge game. If they can beat us they are going to jump into the rankings, so we've really got to be ready."

Saint John's already has a pair of wins against top-15 teams this season, both coming at home against Big East opponents. It took down No. 14 Louisville with a 72-64 victory on Jan. 1 before capturing a 62-57 upset victory against then No. 7 Rutgers on Jan. 17. McGraw said the Irish will need to take to the road ready to play if they are to avoid being the next victims of an upset.

"I don't worry about a let-down so much as we've really got to be playing our game," she said. "Teams are going to take their best shot at us — we've got to be ready for it. We are going on the road, hostile environments. We've got to be ready for everything

we face and we have to keep getting better."

Offensively, junior guard Eugenia McPherson leads the Red Storm with 14.2 points per game and ranks in the top-15 of the Big East in both scoring and three-point field goal percentage (.364). McPherson has scored in double figures in 15 straight games and was selected to the conference weekly honor roll on Monday for the third time in the 2011-2012 season.

Still, the Irish come into the game with confidence on their side. Notre Dame has won each of its previous five games by at least 20 points, led in part by junior guard Skylar Diggins. Diggins is contributing 16.6 points and 5.8 assists per game for the season and is a key part of Notre Dame's transition offense, a facet of the game that has powered the Irish offensively.

"I think we have a lot of confidence," McGraw said. "We are playing well ... we feel like transition is our game. We can really go. And that's something we have been working on all year long, that is where we are at our best - when we have the ball in our hands and we are running the floor."

The Irish will put their winning streak on the line when they travel to Saint John's Saturday for a 12 p.m. tip-off.

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# ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

## Notre Dame looks to clinch tourney berth

By VICKY JACOBSEN  
Sports Writer

The Irish head to Michigan this weekend in hopes of earning a ticket to the National Team Indoor Championships.

No. 21 Notre Dame will face No. 35 Yale in the first round of the qualifying tournament, which will follow a dual-match format. The winner of Saturday's matchup will play the winner of No. 10 Michigan and No. 40 Maryland the next day for a spot in the national tournament, which will take place in Charlottesville, Va. in February.

Irish coach Jay Louderback said the Irish should not be surprised by their first round opponent, who they defeated 7-0 early last season.

"We played Yale last year, so we know a lot of their kids and they're very deep. Their entire team's back and they have a couple freshmen in," Louderback said. "We had close, tight matches with them last year, so we're looking forward to a really good match. They have all three doubles teams in the rankings. But I think their big thing is just their depth; it is very, very good."

The Bulldogs' three ranked doubles teams will be a challenge for the Irish doubles pairings, one of Notre Dame's greatest strengths.

"I think one of the things that's going to be really good for us this year is our doubles," Louderback said. "We've always had good doubles teams but this year

we have the chance to have one of the best doubles line-ups we've had."

If the Irish beat Yale, they are likely to face the hosting Wolverines in the final.

"We lost to them last year; they're ranked No. 10 right now in the preseason," Louderback said. "They've got a young team — they have three freshmen, either two or three that'll play in their line-up. One of them is playing No. 1 for them; she won our regionals and is very, very good. Even though they lost three seniors and brought in the three freshmen, they are as good if not better this year, I think."

Notre Dame last qualified for the National Team Indoors three years ago, but Louderback said that the qualifying tournament will serve a useful purpose even if the Irish don't win.

"The winner of this goes to the Indoor, so there is a little bit more at stake right now compared to other early-season matches," Louderback said. "But for us, I think most of the team is looking at it as a chance to get in two really good dual matches early. A lot of kids tend to play better once they've gotten to play a little longer, so playing two tough ones this early is not easy but it gives us a chance to get some good matches in and then also we're hoping our kids just compete very well."

The Irish will take on Yale in Ann Arbor, Mich. at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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# MEN'S TENNIS

## Team looks to get back on track

By SAM GANS  
Sports Writer

Following a tough 4-3 loss at No. 17 Illinois last Sunday, the No. 28 Irish look to rebound this weekend when they travel to Columbus, Ohio, to face Indiana Saturday and either No. 3 Ohio State or Cornell Sunday.

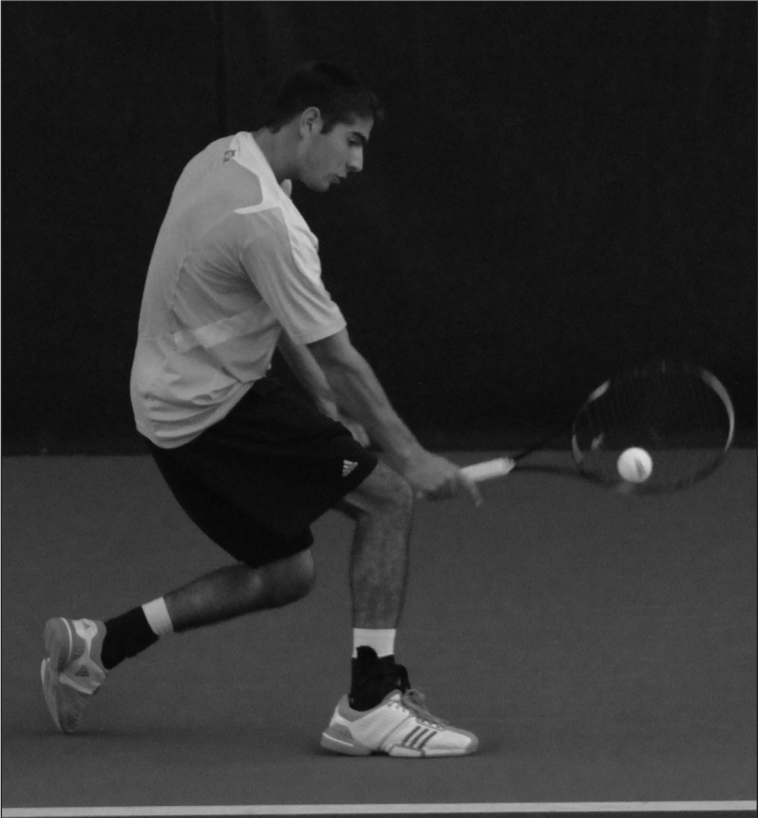
Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said he expects a win against Indiana would mean facing Ohio State, while a loss would bring on Cornell.

"Going into this weekend, it's a big weekend for us," Bayliss said. "If we beat Indiana, then we'll get to play Ohio State. So that will be a great opportunity. We want to maximize that. If we lose, we'll [play] Cornell, who was the Ivy League champion last year. They're not going to beat Ohio State."

In addition to a potential showdown against a top-5 opponent, the two matchups this weekend bring an opportunity to avenge mistakes made against the Illini (3-0).

"We were clearly pretty disappointed because we were in a position to beat Illinois and we mainly just played one really bad doubles match and that ended up as we look back on it — you don't know it at the time — that particular match is the one you'd like to replay," Bayliss said. "We're good enough to be in a match with anybody we play, including the very best teams in the country. It's just a matter of capitalizing when the opportunity presents itself and that's something we didn't quite do."

Though the Irish (3-1) fell to Illinois, sophomore Greg Andrews defeated No. 24 Roy Kalmanovich in straight



JAMES DOAN/The Observer

**Freshman Michael Fredericka returns a backhand during the Napa Valley Invitational on Sept. 24. The Irish face Indiana on Saturday.**

sets. Andrews has started the year with a perfect 4-0 record in singles play along with a 3-1 doubles record with senior partner Casey Watt. Andrews earned Big East Men's Tennis Athlete of the Week honors for his performance against Illinois and William & Mary.

"Greg's always been a hard worker and he arrived last year, I think, as truly one of the better freshmen in the country and didn't do anything to make us think otherwise and he had a strong year for us playing at No. 4," Bayliss said. "This year, the challenge [is] he's up near the top of the lineup, he's playing No. 2 right now and

he's going to play much better players.

"We've had trouble the last couple of years getting wins in the top part of the lineup and it's nice to feel that I think Casey's playing better this year and for Greg to move up high and give us some strength up there, I think we're in much better shape in that part of the lineup than we have been in the past."

Andrews and the Irish will try to take down Indiana at 10 a.m. Saturday in Columbus before facing either Ohio State or Cornell Sunday.

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# MEN'S SWIMMING

## Irish finish regular season at home

By JONATHAN WARREN  
Sports Writer

Having won their past three meets, the Irish ride a wave of momentum into the home Shamrock Invitational. The meet, the last of the regular season, pits the Irish against No. 14 Iowa from the Big Ten.

The Hawkeyes defeated the Irish at the Iowa Invitational earlier this season. Iowa took second at the meet with a score of 723, while the Irish followed in third with 511 points. Irish coach Tim Welsh said the Irish and Hawkeye schedules could have an effect on how the matchup goes this time around.

"When we met at Christmas time, things were similar in that both teams were training before a break," Welsh said. "But now, our Big East Championship is three weeks away, and their Big Ten Championship is five. Because of when our conference tournaments are, we could be at very different training levels."

The Hawkeyes are coming off a win over Northwestern (178-120), who the Irish beat earlier in the season (157-143). The Hawkeyes rank in the top-

10 nationally in three events: the 50-yard freestyle, 200-yard freestyle relay and 400-yard freestyle relay.

"Iowa is fast," Welsh said. "They were a solid team and strong. They'll be the strongest team we've seen this semester for sure."

The Irish head into the rematch with Iowa hoping the momentum of a three-match winning streak turns into a better performance the second time around against the Hawkeyes.

"I think we have quite a lot of momentum," Welsh said. "We swam well the past few weeks and have been building that momentum. Because it's our last competition in this pool, we want to salute our seniors. We want to pay tribute to them with our performance."

This meet marks the last time the Irish seniors will swim in Rolf's Aquatic Center. The seniors will be introduced as a team and one-by-one Saturday and will be featured in a video tribute.

"We want to pay tribute to what they've done here," Welsh said. "They've been very loyal and spirited for Notre Dame. They've helped this team grow

both athletically and personally across the board."

In addition to being the last meet for the seniors, the invitational will also be a practice run for the Big East Championship. The invitational is a three-day event that goes through a full championship program in the same order as the NCAA championships. Welsh said to have a dual meet with a full championship program is unusual, but the Irish will use it to their advantage.

"It's like a dress rehearsal," Welsh said. "The NCAA championships is a three-day meet, so we modeled it after that."

The meet will give Welsh and his staff a chance to assess his team one last time before the Big East Championship.

"We need to look at this meet and say 'This is where we are, and this is where we need to be. This is what we like, and this is what we need to fix.' It's going to be a pretty thorough analysis."

The three-day meet against the Hawkeyes begins Friday at 6 p.m. in Rolf's Aquatic Center.

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Junior center Riley Sheahan shields the puck in the first game against Michigan on Jan. 20. The Irish beat the Wolverines 3-1, but lost the following night 2-1.

## Jackson

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the league,” he said. “We need to do a good job of supporting the puck, and getting people in front of net. We’ll have to work hard to get that first goal, and play 60 solid minutes of hockey.” While frigid Fairbanks is by far the most remote location the Irish will play in this year, it will be a homecoming for Notre Dame’s two native Alaskans. One of those players is sophomore goaltender and Anchorage native Steven Summerhays, who has taken over for junior Mike Johnson as the primary

goalie with inspired play as of late. Summerhays will get at least one start in front of his friends and family this weekend, but beyond that Notre Dame’s situation in the crease is uncertain. “Steven has made it a lot harder for us with the way he’s played,” Jackson said. “Mike has played some great games for us too, and they’re both very much in the mix going forward.” With just a few series left before the CCHA playoffs, Notre Dame’s main focus for the weekend will be to leave town Sunday with two wins and six valuable points in the conference standings. However, as the games grow more important

towards the end of the year, Jackson is also looking for a more even and consistent performance from his team. “We haven’t been as consistent as we’d like over the past few games,” he said. “We’ve been defending better, and our goaltending has improved, but now our special teams have taken a hit. It’s about getting our game together as a team and playing consistent hockey.” The Irish and Nanooks will face off Friday and Saturday in Alaska’s Carlson Center. The puck will drop both nights at 11:05 p.m. Eastern Time.

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## UConn

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nati. Notre Dame’s 55-42 road victory over an upstart Seton Hall team on Wednesday was no exception, with the Irish holding the Pirates (15-5, 4-4) to almost 30 points below their season average. The Irish gave up only 18 points in the first half and held one of the top scoring duos in college basketball, senior forward Herb Pope and senior guard Jordan Theodore, to 16 points combined. “The ugliness of the game was good for us because we have won some ugly ones this year and were able to control the tempo,” Brey said. “I thought the defense was fabulous the whole night, especially on Theodore who may be one of the best guards in the league right now.”

While stifling opponents on one end of the court, the Irish have also had their struggles on the offensive end, ranking 177th in the NCAA in scoring with 68.2 points per game. Despite shooting 50 percent from the field in Saturday’s upset over then-No. 1 Syracuse — while holding the Orange (21-1, 8-1) to 34 percent shooting — Notre Dame only connected on 13 shots while going the last 8:50 of the game without a field goal. Given the quick turnaround following an emotionally draining, season-defining upset over the No. 1 team in the country, Brey said the win over Seton Hall added to the maturation

of his young team. “I’m really proud of our team,” he said. “Most groups after what we did on Saturday would not be as focused and would be given a free pass since our fans are still celebrating [the Syracuse win] back home. For our group to come and win this after such a big win shows that we have the makings of something special.” In their last meeting, the Huskies (14-5, 4-3) ended Notre Dame’s 29-game home winning streak, led by sophomore guard Shabazz Napier’s 16 points and a double-double from freshman center

Andre Drummond. Despite the indefinite suspension of freshman guard Ryan Boatright while the NCAA investigates his recruitment, the Huskies rode a second-half outburst to a 67-53 victory Jan. 14 on Notre Dame’s home court. The Huskies are currently in a two-game slump following three-point losses to Cincinnati and Tennessee, but the Connecticut big men will provide a tall task for the Irish frontcourt, which was outrebounded 42-30 in the Jan. 14 contest. “I’ve been telling [the team] if you get this one, everyone will look around and say ‘Uh-oh, you’re right in the middle of this thing,’” Brey said. The Irish will try to exact revenge when they travel to Storrs, Conn., to take on the Huskies on Sunday at 12 p.m.

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status, Bednarski said. “There’s a long list of teams who are coming to compete here, and they’re all pretty strong teams who will try to get as many points as they will be able to take from us,” Bednarski said. “We don’t have many opportunities to fence against [local schools] — maybe once a year — because as an independent we are traveling everywhere. Luckily, we can fence against some Midwest teams [this weekend].” Despite the stiff competition, Bednarski anticipates a strong performance from the Irish. Underclassmen have been counted on throughout the season, with many of the top fencers taking the year off to prepare for the Olympics. According to Bednarski, this weekend will be no different. “It will not be an easy competition,” Bednarski said. “We will be trying to look for new leaders for our team in a situation when four or five athletes took a year off to train for the Olympics. The younger order of kids are stepping up and getting experience. They are trying to

lead us. It’s a great chance for us to look for a new social structure in the team and it’s going pretty well so far.” This weekend also affords the Irish fencers the opportunity to improve their personal standing, with the hope of qualifying for the NCAA championships in March. That being said, Bednarski knows the importance of the competition for the team as well as the individuals involved. “Each bout is important for individual fencers as well as the team, but individually they can qualify for the individual competition,” Bednarski said. “There will be very tough matches for everyone because those who fence against us are in the same situation.” From a team and individual standpoint, the Irish are planning on regaining the form that led them to last year’s NCAA title. “I don’t think we’ll have trouble in this competition,” Bednarski said. “I expect our fencers to fence strongly and I expect to win on both sides, men’s and women’s.” The Irish women get underway Saturday in the JACC, while the men take to the mats Sunday.

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

## On the road again

## Irish travel to take on No. 24 UConn

By ANDREW GASTELUM  
Sports Writer

On the heels of a run of strong defensive play, Notre Dame heads on the road Sunday to take on defending NCAA champion and No. 24 Connecticut.

Irish coach Mike Brey acknowledged the need for his team to continue to focus on the defensive end against the high-tempo Huskies.

"The way we [play]: the tempo is low, the score is low, but we never stop defending," Brey said. "It shows a lot of maturity in this team that they definitely couldn't have done way back in November or December. They have come a long way in that department."

In eight Big East games this year, the Irish (13-8, 5-3 Big East) have allowed more than 67 points only once, a 71-55 Jan. 4 loss at Cincin-

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**Freshman forward Pat Connaughton blocks a shot during Saturday night's game against Syracuse. The Irish upset the then-No. 1 Orange 67-58. This weekend Notre Dame travels to play Connecticut.**

## SMC BASKETBALL

## Belles look to face Hope

By PETER STEINER  
Sports Writer

With many Saint Mary's basketball alumnae in the crowd, the Belles will try to accomplish Saturday what the former players only did once in the last seven seasons — defeat highly-ranked conference opponent Hope.

The Belles face the No. 20 Flying Dutch in an attempt to extend their winning streak to three after Wednesday's victory over Trine. The school will put on a special Saint Mary's Alumnae game before tip-off in an event Belles coach Jenn Henley said will improve home-court advantage.

"Our alumnae game takes place before our game so I know we'll have a lot of our

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## HOCKEY

## Irish take long journey to face tough Alaskan competition

By JACK HEFFERON  
Sports Writer

No. 4 Notre Dame has cooled off recently, following up a four-game winning streak by losing three of its last four. This weekend, the team travels to take on Alaska's notoriously stingy defense in a pair of important conference games.

Alaska (8-12-4, 5-11-4 CCHA) may sit near the bottom of the conference standings, but the trip to Fairbanks is a notoriously difficult one. Five of the Nanooks' eight wins have come at home, with Alaska stealing points from conference powers like Michigan and Western Michigan in the friendly confines of the Carlson Center. For

the Irish (14-9-3, 9-6-3), the grueling journey north began Tuesday, a day earlier than normal.

"It's a marathon," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said via phone. "We came up a day early because of the potential for bad weather, and it is a long trip. We took off from Chicago at 9:30 Wednesday morning, and got here at

5:30, Alaska Time. That's a 12-hour trip. That said, it gives us the opportunity to get acclimated to the time change and the weather, and practice up here."

Notre Dame will use some of that practice time to solve Alaska's defense, one of the top units in college hockey. Nanooks senior goaltender Scott Greenham ranks fifth in the nation

in shutouts, and the team's 2.58 goals-against average places its defense in the top-20. For Jackson, the key to finding the net will lie in playing smart and matching Alaska's work rate.

"[Alaska] competes extremely hard, and they execute their systems as good as anyone in

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## FENCING

## Away trips put on hold to host Dame Duals

By MIKE MONACO  
Sports Writer

Throughout the season, the Irish have racked up their fair share of frequent flyer miles traveling from coast to coast for competitions. Not once, however, have the Irish fenced within the friendly confines of the JACC.

That changes this weekend as Notre Dame hosts 17 schools for the Notre Dame Duals, with the women on the mats Saturday, and the men in action Sunday.

The Irish are excited to be staying home for a change, something they hope will lead to a strong showing, Irish coach Janusz Bednarski said.

"This is a competition on our site so we expect, as we always do at home, to make

good results because it's always easier to get support for our side than for the [opponents'] side," Bednarski said.

Bednarski hopes that such support will come from the Notre Dame student body.

"These matches can be tough for us," Bednarski said. "I would like to have the support of our students if they can come before 4:30 on Saturday because that will be our last match against Northwestern and they are usually very strong."

The Irish will host a number of other local teams in addition to Northwestern, including Michigan, Purdue and Wisconsin, which is a rare and exciting occurrence given Notre Dame's independent

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## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## ND looks to hold winning streak

By JOSEPH MONARDO  
Sports Writer

Riding a 17-game winning streak and coming off a decisive defeat of Tennessee, the Irish will resume Big East play when they travel to Saint John's on Saturday.

No. 2 Notre Dame has won its past 17 games by an average margin of victory of almost 36 points, the most recent victory being a 28-point home victory over No. 9 Tennessee. Despite being in the midst of the third-longest winning streak in program history, the Irish (20-1, 7-0 Big East) have honed in on their next task.

"We approach each game as a separate game," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "[Tennessee] was a great



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**Junior guard Skylar Diggins defends the ball in the Irish's 76-43 win against Villanova on Jan. 21 at home.**

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