

## Argentina considers homegrown Pope

Center for Social Concerns director recounts witnessing the Papal announcement in Buenos Aires

By **KAITLYN RABACH**  
Saint Mary's Editor

Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected as the new pope on March 13 and Catholics around the world are rejoicing at the news of this pontiff - especially in his home country, Argentina. Rachel Tomas Morgan, assistant director of Notre Dame's Center for Social Concerns, took in this historic moment from Buenos Aires, Argentina.

"We were sitting in a café [in Buenos Aires] and all of a sudden a news flash came on saying there was white smoke," Morgan said. "Argentina is predominately Catholic, but they are mostly 'cultural Catholics'. Just knowing the pope would be announced was important news for Argentines as a whole, but when Cardinal Bergoglio was announced we all stood there in disbelief. We had to take time to

process it."

Morgan said prior to the announcement there was no real sense from the community that this Argentine cardinal was a potential candidate for the papacy.

"We talked to waiters, servers and taxi drivers and no one really anticipated this would happen," Morgan said. "This then resulted in groups of people standing wide-eyed in front of the TV in utter shock and disbelief."

"We all could not believe this was unfolding before our eyes. One woman even started crying next to me," she said.

Morgan said when she walked out of the café, church bells were ringing in the neighborhood and crowds rushed to the Plaza de Mayo and the cathedral. The plaza has historical and political significance for Argentines, according to Morgan.

"It is a very prominent place

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Pope Francis waves as he arrives in St. Peter's Square for his inauguration Mass at the Vatican, Tuesday, March 19, 2013. During the mass Pope Francis called for increased care to be given to the poor.

## Students provide tax filing service

By **KATIE McCARTY**  
News Writer

Taxpayers nationwide often dread the April 15 filing date, but many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students voluntarily participate in a unique service program to provide tax assistance to low income families in the South Bend

area.

The Vivian Harrington Gray Tax Assistance Program is in its 43rd year of providing this service, and faculty advisor Edward Hums, a professor of Financial and Managerial Accounting in the Mendoza College of Business, said the program has grown this year.

"We have approximately

100 undergrads participating in the program," Hums said. "It is a two-credit course and last year the program filed about 3,900 taxes."

In order to be eligible to provide this service, students need to complete one course in tax, Hums said. Once enrolled in the program, students attend four weeks of

classes and then go into the community to help local families with their tax returns for four to six weeks.

Students in the program complete state and federal tax returns for free, and taxpayers must have an income of less than \$40,000 dollars

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## Mendoza earns top rank

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business took first for the fourth consecutive year in Bloomberg Businessweek's 'Best Undergraduate Business Schools' ranking released Wednesday. Mendoza placed first in student satisfaction and fifth in employer satisfaction, two of the ranking criteria, Bloomberg Businessweek reported. Students surveyed by Bloomberg Businessweek commended Mendoza for its "well-rounded business curriculum, strong liberal arts bent and focus on ethics" in the article accompanying the ranking.

Roger D. Huang, Dean of Mendoza, said the ranking highlights the work of those who shape Notre Dame into a "special place."

"There is so much that goes into the educational experience of

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## CCUSA, ND partner to combat poverty

By **CAROLINA WILSON**  
News Writer

University President Fr. John Jenkins and Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA) President Fr. Larry Snyder met yesterday to sign a memo of understanding between the two institutions, pledging to work together to reduce poverty at a national level.

Snyder said CCUSA, the national office of more than 160 Catholic charities nationwide,

has a long-standing partnership with the Mendoza College of Business through the annual Commission for Service program. At the signing, Snyder said CCUSA wants to engage with the University on another level, strengthening cooperation with each other.

"When you look at the mission statement of the University and the mission statement of Catholic Charities, it's amazing

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Father Jenkins addressed the campus Wednesday regarding the new memo of understanding to help reduce poverty in America.

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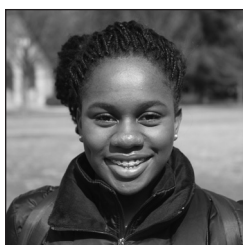
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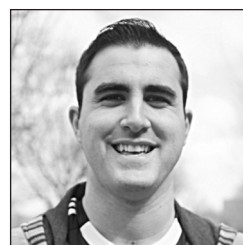
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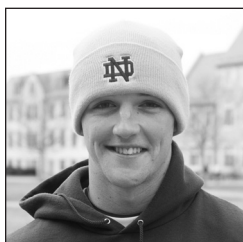
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ALLISON D'AMBROSIA | The Observer

An empty space on the wall next to the sacristy entrance of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart marks the spot where a portrait of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI once hung. Now the wall awaits Pope Francis' picture after his election.

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## Thursday

**Zen Meditation**  
Coleman-Morse Center  
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.  
Sitting, walking and reading meditations

**Ask Anonymously**  
Carole Sandner Hall  
7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Receive answers to your hot-button Catholic questions.

## Friday

**Women's Lacrosse**  
Arlotta Stadium  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Game vs. Rutgers

**Concert: Altan**  
DeBartolo Performing Arts Center  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
A traditional Irish ensemble.

## Saturday

**Notre Dame Holy Half Marathon**  
Campus wide  
All day

**Baseball**  
Frank Eck Stadium  
2:05 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Game vs. Seton Hall

## Sunday

**Women's Lacrosse**  
Arlotta Stadium  
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.  
Game vs. Villanova

**Film: Monty Python's "The Meaning of Life"**  
DeBartolo Performing Arts Center  
11:55 p.m. - 1:38 a.m.  
A classic comedy.

## Monday

**Lecture: Sustainable Business**  
Mendoza College of Business Room 162  
12:00 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.  
Speaker Michael Skelly

**Baseball**  
Frank Eck Stadium  
5:35 p.m. - 7:35 p.m.  
Game vs. Kent State

# CNN Hero shares vision of hope for Uganda

By **REBECCA O'NEIL**  
News Writer

Derreck Kayongo, co-founder of the Global Soap Project and a refugee from Uganda, delivered the closing address of Saint Mary's 8th Annual Diverse Students' Leadership Conference on Wednesday in Carroll Auditorium.

In 2011, Kayongo was recognized as a CNN Hero for creating the Project, a nonprofit organization that recycles and donates decontaminated hotel soap to refugee communities around the world.

Lives upturned by his country's civil war, Kayongo said his family left Uganda when he was ten years old.

His later entrepreneurial mission was inspired by his first experience in an American hotel, where the automatic toilets and faucets mystified him. He and his companions

stood at the sinks, which he later learned were controlled by automatic sensors, unable to find knobs to wash their hands, Kayongo said. Every time they bent over the water rushed out, but as soon as they stood up, it stopped.

"We must've looked like such fools," Kayongo said.

Kayongo said an unexpected perk of his stay at the hotel was the its seemingly infinite supply of soap. He said he stowed the precious toiletries in his bag each day, but new soaps would appear back in the bathroom the next day. Convinced that he would be charged for excessive usage, Kayongo confessed to a hotel attendee and offered to give them all back.

"I went up to him and said 'Guess what? I've been stealing your soap. If I give it back to the room services can I get my money back? I can't

afford it,'" said Kayongo.

He said the man laughed and explained that everyone "stole" the soap. Relieved and curious, Kayongo recalled asking what became of the leftover soap bars and half empty shampoo bottles. He said he was appalled to discover that they were thrown away "for proper etiquette."

"I returned to my hotel room and lost it," said Kayongo. "Keep in mind, I am the child of a father who made soap. A child who became a refugee and saw people without soap. And I came to America to see it thrown away."

Each year, American hotels discard roughly 800,000,000 bars of soap, Kayongo said. Such soap is a key weapon in fighting infectious diseases in third-world countries.

"It's incredible that a problem of this magnitude can be fixed by [doing] something so small," Kayongo

said. "Putting a tiny bar of soap in a child's hand reduces their chance of infection by 47 percent."

After his return to Kenya, Kayongo said he spent ten years researching all he could about the infrastructure of the United States and building a foundation for his idea of a nonprofit project, which called for thorough education and serious networking.

Kayongo said he appealed to Hilton Hotels and Resorts' desire to be eco-friendly because he said he told them when soap and germs mix in landfills it slows the decomposition process.

"I approached them with facts they could not avoid," Kayongo said. "Companies want to be on the right side of history."

To persuade those with self-serving perspectives, one must broaden their own horizons, Kayongo said.

"I took my general idea and

broke it into tiny ideas so others could understand," said Kayongo. "Each person has the ability to understand the environment in which they exist."

"Empathy gives us the ability to be capacious," said Kayongo. "You can't lead people or be a part of their team if you don't identify with them."

Kayongo challenged his audience to leave their comfort zones and explore the world.

"Don't underestimate the power of travel," he said. "I know you love South Bend but get out there. A traveling mind is a productive mind."

Kayongo encouraged students to acquire as deep and broad of an education as possible through diversity.

"You are the vessel of intelligence. In other words, you must apply yourself to get results," Kayongo said. "The most powerful people in this country are those who innovate."

Kayongo also said in order to be a successful leader, it is imperative to understand the power of self-awareness.

"If you don't understand the power of self, it's hard to see how you can change the world," Kayongo said.

This vision is essential to growth because the youth now are the world's future leaders, he said.

"Christian missionaries come with huge donations of clothes, but what they don't realize is that their generosity kills the clothing market at home even more," Kayongo said.

Kayongo closed the lecture with a song and dance in Swahili, joined by the audience.

Visit [globalsoap.org](http://globalsoap.org) for more information on Kayongo's foundation.

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## Mendoza

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the educational experience of being part of the Mendoza College of Business, including the spirit of the students, faculty, alumni and University as a whole," Huang said in a University press release.

University of Virginia's McIntire School of Commerce and Cornell's Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management earned second and third honors, respectively. The report ranked 145 undergraduate business programs this year.

Bloomberg Businessweek said it examined nine data points to rank the schools, such as surveys of the satisfaction of both senior business majors and employers, median starting salaries of graduates and the number of graduates to pursue masters degrees from top programs.

The study also examined academic quality at each school by combining SAT scores, student-faculty ratios, class size in core business courses, the percentage of students with internships and time devoted to class work.

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# Law student to run London marathon

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News Writer

While many Notre Dame students make final preparations for the Holy Half Marathon this weekend, one Notre Dame law student across the pond prepares for another, much longer run.

Second year law student Beth Scarola plans to run the London Marathon next month to raise money and awareness for the International Justice Mission (IJM), a cause she said she strongly supports.

Scarola, who is studying abroad in London this semester, said she wanted to get back into running this year. After learning she would be in London, she began searching for an organization that would sponsor her participation in the marathon.

"I came across the International Justice Mission and read their mission statement, which was all about human rights and trafficking," Scarola said.

According to the IJM's mission

statement, the organization is "a human rights agency that brings rescue to victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent oppression." IJM's lawyers, investigators and aftercare professionals work with local officials to secure "immediate victim rescue and aftercare." The IJM also aims to prosecute perpetrators and monitor the

**"Being a different kind of lawyer meant using my talents to help people."**

Beth Scarola  
law student

integrity of local public justice systems.

"It was really cool to me because these were lawyers globally who were fighting to help,"

Scarola said.

Scarola said she felt the organization's mission paralleled the Notre Dame Law School's mission, which strives to prepare "a different kind of lawyer."

The London Marathon allows charities to apply for ballots, which are used to sponsor runners.

"I approached the organization with the hope of attaining their one ballot," Scarola said. "I was interviewed, and was offered the ballot."

Scarola said she believes her time at the University, both as an undergraduate and later as a law student, has fostered a yearning to utilize her talents for the greater good.

"Being a different kind of lawyer meant using my talents to help people," Scarola said. "I was really inspired by the attorneys that work for the International Justice Mission that spend their entire careers utilizing their talents to fight these atrocities."

Scarola, who plans to raise \$6,500 for the organization, said the IJM embraced the Notre Dame Law School's mission statement as well as her background doing human rights work in the Dominican Republic.

Although Scarola plans to practice healthcare law, she said she the opportunity to raise money for a just cause is still relevant to her.

"This cause is very near and dear to my heart," Scarola said. "I'm not going to stop fighting for it, even if that means just running a marathon as opposed to being able to dedicate my entire career to fighting these atrocities."

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# Senate discusses course changes

By **MADDIE DALY**  
News Writer

Notre Dame's Academic Council will soon vote on changes to the Undergraduate Academic code, and University Registrar Chuck Hurley introduced the proposed revisions to the code to the Student Senate Wednesday evening. The biggest change proposed is the adjustment of standard course times beginning in Fall 2013, he said.

"For the benefit of the students, senior associate provost Chris Maziar has come up with more optimized schedule times," Hurley said.

The changes mostly focus on the 75-minute classes, Hurley said.

"On Mondays and Wednesdays right now there are two large open blocks between 9:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.," Hurley said. "This was because in the late [1970s], the provost office reserved that time for faculty departmental meetings, which have long since been moved. We're making two new slots available for 75-minute classes that weren't there before."

Hurley said they will also align the 75-minute class times on Monday and Wednesday with those on Tuesday and Thursday. These changes will result in a major decrease in the amount of schedule conflicts, going from seven to three, Hurley said. The earliest class start time will shift from 8:30 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

The reason for the adjustment of standard class times has to do with the availability of classrooms, according to Hurley.

"There are 155 classrooms

at the University," Hurley said. "None are available basically between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., but outside of that block there are lots available. We have required all faculty members to abide by standard class times unless they have approval from our office to schedule non-standardized classes."

Off-campus president Katie Kehl also introduced a new resolution to dissolve the position of off-campus senator.

"I feel that the position of off-campus senator is redundant," Kehl said. "As the off-campus president, I sit in on

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Chuck Hurley  
University Registrar

senate and the off-campus senator comes to meetings and reports to me. We essentially have the same information coming to us from senate."

Kehl said she does not see the removal of the position to be a disadvantage for off campus students due to decreased representation because of the class president and the off-campus president.

Student body vice president Katie Rose suggested directing Kehl's resolution to the Office of Internal Affairs.

"I think having the Office of Internal Affairs come speak to Senate would be beneficial because of the complexity of this resolution," Rose said.

With their term coming to a close in less than two weeks, the senators decided to postpone their decision until after hearing from the Office of Internal Affairs.

Director of Constituent Services Liza Manfred announced an upcoming event regarding hall apparel.

"Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in the Sorin Room of [LaFortune Student Center] from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. we will be holding a sale of old dorm apparel," Manfred said. "If you haven't already, contact your hall president and bring your apparel to me by Monday night. Also go on Facebook and check out the event to spread the word."

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and has historically been the center for rallies and political movements," she said. "It continues to be a place where Argentines hold their demonstrations. After the announcement it was natural that people began to congregate there."

Morgan said Argentine President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner quickly aligned herself as a close ally of the newly-named pope, publicly commenting on it at a previously scheduled event.

"Obviously with the announcement of the pope she took the opportunity to express joy for the new pope," Morgan said. "At the same time she aligned herself with Pope Francis, saying she too cares about the poor in much the same ways the new pope does. This comment has been made with some critique."

In the days following the papal announcement, Morgan said Argentines' opinions about the new pontiff "varied across the spectrum".

"About 75 percent of Argentines are Catholic, but only about 10 percent actively practice Catholicism," Morgan said. "This leads to a variety of different opinions."

"Some Argentines had very strong opinions about Bergoglio and his new role in the church and there were others who simply did not care," she said.

Morgan said after the official announcement and celebration, the world, including Argentines, came away with a more comprehensive picture of the type of man Pope Francis is.

"Information emerged giving us a fuller picture of who this man might be," Morgan said. "We learned more about his role in the church and politics of Argentina. We were beginning to see information that critiqued the pope."

Morgan said there were two images presented of the new pope as a leader during Argentina's political upheaval.

"An image of a humble man concerned with working with the poor in the slums emerged," Morgan said. "This image talked about him cooking his own food, loving soccer and taking the bus to work."

"At the same time we were hearing some really strong critiques of the pope from human rights leaders in Argentina," she said. "These leaders were criticizing his leadership during the years of 1976-1983."

Morgan had the opportunity to meet with students, staff and faculty from local universities in

Buenos Aires and said the students had mixed reactions to the pope's leadership while the country was in turmoil during the 'Dirty War.'

"Some university students we spoke with said he didn't do enough during these dark times, but that he was not complicit or directly involved," Morgan said.

Morgan said the older faculty and staff members emphasized the importance of context in the pope's critiques. She said one faculty member offered a good

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Assistant Director, CSC

interpretation of Bergoglio's decision to not openly confront the military during this time.

"This faculty member talked about some of the criticisms around Bergoglio," Morgan said. "He added [that] most Argentines did not openly confront the military either and at the time, Bergoglio was a young leader and new to the political scene."

"This faculty member was not excusing Bergoglio's actions, but rather working to put his actions in context with what was going on throughout Latin America at the time. In other parts of Latin America, church leaders were being killed for openly confronting the political situation. This paints a more complicated picture."

Regardless of the image Argentines associate with the new pontiff, Morgan said everyone she spoke with expressed joy and hope for this Argentine cardinal named pope.

"I got the sense from some university students, faculty [and] staff we met with, and from other Argentines, that people are really curious and hopeful for what this all means," Morgan said. "Argentines are not only curious for what this means for their country, but also the world and church as a whole. They shared with us hope this historic moment can help revitalize the Church."

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## Tax

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per year, the median income in Saint Joseph

County, Hums said. There are eight sites throughout the South Bend and Mishawaka area and one site in Plymouth, Ind.

"In addition to taxpayers in the community, the program helps international students here at Notre Dame," Hums said. "Part of the tax return is also a report to immigration service, and we want to make sure students are in proper compliance with their visas."

Senior program president Sam Matthew, said the initiative also focuses on service to the community beyond the monetary aspect.

"You're doing their taxes and doing them a service, but we also become people's companions," Matthew said.

Matthew, who has participated in the program for the past two years, said he has worked with the elderly and people with physical disabilities who are unable to leave their houses.

"We benefit a lot from [the work], and it is really helpful for our education, but the bonds we form with the community are great," Matthew said. "I really enjoy that part."

Hums also stressed the

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role of community service in the program.

"It is very rewarding, and one of the oldest community

service programs at Notre Dame," Hums said. "It always amazes me how students start out nervous at the start of the program, and then grow confident at the end."

"They grow in understanding, interview techniques and are very proficient doing the returns at the end of program."

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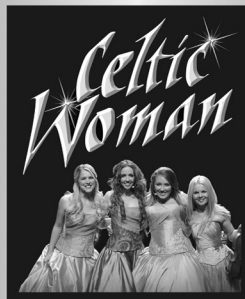
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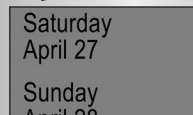


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## SOUTH KOREA

# Cyberattack paralyzes South Korean network

SEOUL, South Korea — A Chinese Internet address was the source of a cyberattack on one company hit in a massive network shutdown that affected 32,000 computers at six banks and media companies in South Korea, initial findings indicated Thursday.

It's too early to assign blame — Internet addresses can easily be manipulated and the investigation could take weeks — but suspicion for Wednesday's shutdown quickly fell on North Korea, which has threatened Seoul and Washington with attack in recent days because of anger over U.N. sanctions imposed for its Feb. 12 nuclear test.

South Korean regulators said they believe the attacks came from a "single organization,"

but they've still not finished investigating what happened at the other companies.

Experts say hackers often attack via computers in other countries to hide their identities. South Korea has previously accused North Korean hackers of using Chinese addresses to infect their networks.

Seoul believes North Korea runs an Internet warfare unit aimed at hacking U.S. and South Korean government and military networks to gather information and disrupt service.

The attack Wednesday caused computer networks at major banks and top TV broadcasters to crash simultaneously. It paralyzed bank machines across the country and raised fears that this heavily Internet-dependent

society was vulnerable. On Thursday, only one of the attacked banks, Shinhan, was fully online, officials said.

A Chinese address created the malicious code in the server of Nonghyup bank, according to an initial analysis by the state-run Korea Communications Commission, South Korea's telecom regulator.

Investigators are analyzing the log-in records and the malicious code collected from the infected servers and computers. It could take at least four to five days for the infected computers to recover fully. Experts say the entire investigation could take weeks.

South Korean regulators have also distributed vaccine software to government offices,

banks, hospitals and other institutions to prevent more outages.

In an indication of the high tension on the Korean Peninsula, South Korean media reported that North Korea sounded air-raid warnings in radio broadcasts Thursday morning as part of military drills.

The network paralysis took place just days after North Korea accused South Korea and the U.S. of staging a cyberattack that shut down its websites for two days last week. Loxley Pacific, the Thailand-based Internet service provider, confirmed the North Korean outage but did not say what caused it. South Korea denied the allegation.

The attack may have also extended to the United States. Greg Scarlatoiu, executive director of the U.S.-based Committee for Human Rights in North Korea, said he discovered early Wednesday that their website had been hacked. They have yet to establish who was behind it but strongly suspect it came from North Korea.

Several of the committee's publications, including lengthy reports with satellite imagery of North Korean prison camps, had been removed, along with biographies of their staff and board, and their policy recommendations to the Obama administration.

The South Korean shutdown did not affect government agencies or sensitive targets such as power plants or transportation systems, and there were no immediate reports that bank customers' records were compromised, but the disruption froze part of the country's commerce.

Some customers were unable to use the debit or credit cards that many rely on more than cash. At one Starbucks in downtown Seoul, customers were asked to pay for their coffee in cash, and lines formed outside disabled bank machines.

Broadcasters KBS and MBC still didn't have full computer use on Thursday, but the shutdown did not affect TV broadcasts.

The YTN cable news channel also said the company's internal computer network was paralyzed. Footage showed workers staring at blank computer screens.

KBS employees said they watched helplessly as files stored on their computers began disappearing.

Last year, North Korea threatened to attack several news companies, including KBC and MBC, over their reports critical of children's' festivals in the North.

"If it plays out that this was a state-sponsored attack, that's pretty bald faced and definitely an escalation in the tensions between the two countries," said James Barnett, former chief of public safety and homeland security for the U.S. Federal Communications Commission.

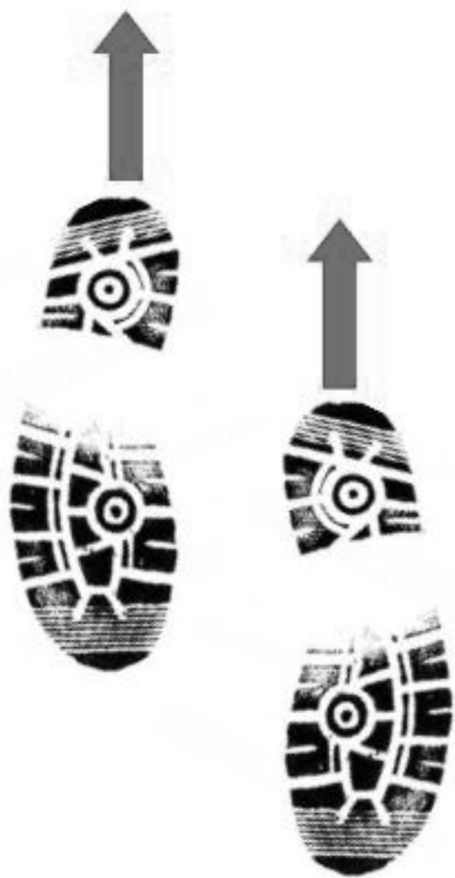
An ominous question is what other businesses, in South Korea or elsewhere, may also be in the sights of the attacker, said Barnett, who heads the cybersecurity practice at Washington law firm Venable.

"This needs to be a wake-up call," he said. "This can happen anywhere."

An official at the South's Korea Communications Commission said investigators speculate that malicious code was spread from company servers that send automatic updates of security software and virus patches.

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# Authorities investigate South Bend plane crash



Investigators aid in removal of fuselage from South Bend homes. A private plane crashed into three houses Sunday.

## Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — The fuselage of a private jet that plowed into three houses, killing two people and injuring three others, was removed Tuesday by a crane that lifted it from a home, placed it on a truck and hauled it to a hangar where investigators trying to identify a cause will sift through its battered remains.

Meanwhile, barricades were removed from the South Bend neighborhood and all residents who were evacuated following Sunday's crash, except for those living in the three homes that were struck, were allowed to return home Tuesday.

"It sure does feel good to be home," said Stan Klaybor, who lives across the street from the homes that were struck.

Frank Sojka said he'd never really worried about living so close to the South Bend Regional Airport until the jet sheared the roof off the house where he's lived for 55 of his 84 years.

"I never worried about it, but I thought about it," he said with a chuckle. "Now I'm worried about it."

Sojka said he was in the front bedroom Sunday when he heard a loud, dull sound and went to his living room.

"I could see the sky through the ceiling and all kinds of debris in the far end of the living room," he said.

The private jet originating from Tulsa, Okla., crashed into three homes Sunday, killing former Oklahoma quarterback Steve Davis who led Oklahoma to back-to-back national championships in the 1970s, and his friend, Wes Caves, a

Tulsa businessman. Davis, 60, and Caves, 58, were the jet's flight crew. Funeral services for both are still pending in Tulsa.

The crash occurred after two aborted attempted landings at South Bend Regional Airport. It wasn't immediately clear who was at the controls when it crashed.

Two passengers and a woman residing in one of the damaged homes remained hospitalized Tuesday.

Nearly 8,000 small private planes take off and land at the northern Indiana airport each year, said Michael Guljas, the airport's director of administration and finance. But in his 30 years working at the airport, he has never seen anything like Sunday's crash.

"During my time here we've never had a plane go into a neighborhood," he said.

The most similar incident to occur near the airport was in 2004, when two pilots safely landed a disabled single-engine aircraft on a heavily traveled state highway.

National Transportation Safety Board statistics show nearly 200 planes crashed into residential areas during a five-year period beginning in 2003. But since 2008, the agency has not distinguished between crashes involving homes and those involving other buildings.

Some crashes into homes have proven deadly. A regional airliner crash into a home near Buffalo, N.Y., in February 2009 killed 50 people. In January, three people were killed when their plane crashed into a Palm Coast in Florida while trying for an emergency landing at a nearby airport. No one on the ground was seriously injured.

## Jenkins

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how similar they are in what we are trying to do as Catholic organizations," Snyder said. "We both want to have an extreme impact on building community and building lives in this country."

CCUSA's social service work and the University's academic focus are an ideal combination, Snyder said.

"What's exciting about this [partnership] is that we're some of the first groups to come together and use our resources, our talents, and our creativity to have a greater impact in lowering the amount of people living in poverty in this country," he said.

Snyder said the help provided by the University's academic skills and economic guidance is an essential tool in helping Catholic Charities to effectively use its resources.

"We're social workers. [Catholic Charities] needs economists who are going to look at what we do and say 'this is really having an impact,' so that we can take that and run, or 'this is not having an impact' so that we can take that and shut it down, putting our resources where they are needed," he said.

Jenkins said the partnership between CCUSA and the University is a great opportunity for the Notre Dame community because helping those in need is at the core of a Catholic institution.

"You can't claim to be a genuine Catholic university if you don't serve those in need," he said. "It's one thing to have good intentions, and it's another thing to make something actually happen. I believe, that with this partnership, we can find innovative ways to actually help people in need rise out of poverty."

Jenkins concluded by emphasizing the uniqueness of this partnership, calling it "ex-

tremely exciting."

"As we continue to build this partnership between these two institutions, I think we will have a powerful effect in helping people rise out of poverty," Jenkins said. "This is a great opportunity for us to be more of what we say we are, a Catholic university being of service to people in need."

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# 'Unpredictable' pope worries security team

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Forgive Pope Francis' security team for looking a bit nervous.

One pope was shot in St. Peter's Square while riding in an open vehicle. Another was tackled by a woman with mental problems in St. Peter's Basilica. So in the early days of Francis'

pontificate, as the pope delights the flock by wading into crowds and pressing the flesh, it's only natural that chief Vatican cop Domenico Giani seems on edge.

Just consider some of Francis' acts of papal outreach, which have all made for a refreshing change from the reserved style of his predecessor Benedict XVI, but

present a huge headache for a security detail attached to one of the planet's most high-profile people.

The day after his election, Francis eschewed the Vatican's armored limousine and traveled through the chaotic streets of Rome in an ordinary car to pick up his things at a downtown hotel.

At his first Sunday Mass as

pontiff, Francis caused a stir by mingling with bystanders at a Vatican gate, shaking hands and even allowing himself to be grabbed by the shoulder, all while people jostled to get closer.

Then on inauguration day, Francis stood for nearly 30 minutes Tuesday in an open vehicle that circled the vast square, kissing babies handed up to him and at one point jumping out to bless and kiss a disabled man in the crowd.

It's not for nothing that Francis has quickly been dubbed the "unpredictable" pope. And for a bodyguard, unpredictable means trouble.

Giani looked particularly worried by the crowd that gathered after the Sunday Mass. La Stampa newspaper quoted an aide at the scene as saying that things "better get back to normal or we're in trouble."

Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi said last week that the Vatican was well aware of Francis' informal and open style and that "proper security measures" would be taken, even if that hasn't happened immediately.

"There are a lot of nut cases out there," said another Vatican official, who requested anonymity as he is not authorized to discuss security.

"But you can be sure that the security issues are being examined."

Even Francis' habit of constantly running late can't make his bodyguards happy, since they're used to carefully choreographed and timed events. After Mass on Sunday, it seemed as if one of the monsignors was begging Francis to hurry up, as

he nervously looked at his watch — but the pope kept diving into the crowd.

Francis' meet-and-greet manner is reminiscent of John Paul II's open style in his first years as pope. And an iconic event in the earlier papacy brought to light some of the terrifying potential consequences of papal spontaneity. It was 1981 and John Paul had just handed a baby back to her mother, as his open jeep drove slowly through a crowded St. Peter's Square. Shots rang out. The pope crumbled and bodyguards swarmed around him.

The Turkish gunman's assassination attempt left John Paul severely wounded. While he made a full recovery, an era of light security was over.

Benedict's papacy also had its share of scares.

In 2008, a German man jumped on the pope's jeep and had to be wrestled down by a Vatican policeman. Two years later, a woman with a history of psychiatric problems jumped the security barricade in St. Peter's Basilica during Christmas Eve Mass and pulled Benedict to the ground. The pope was uninjured but a cardinal fell and broke his hip.

Experts say that ditching the motorcade and the security detail can be dangerous in unexpected ways. "If someone like the pope publishes the fact that he doesn't have the usual level of security, it only highlights the potential threats," said British security expert Richard Aitch, the author of "Close Protection."

Aitch, whose resume lists work for royalty, diplomats, and other VIPs, cited the example of British Prime Minister David Cameron, whose decision to forego motorcycle outriders drew concern after his official car was pictured caught in central's London slow-moving traffic a few years ago. Such a situation could basically turn him into a sitting duck for any potential attacker.

In general, Aitch said that any leader's decision to drop their guard "creates a security headache" — particularly if it becomes a habit.

And the pope isn't just any leader, he's one of the most public figures in the world. During an ordinary week, the pope makes a minimum of two appearances, at his general audience Wednesday and from his apartment window for his Sunday blessing.

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## A small miracle



**Gabriela Leskur**  
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Imagine my surprise when in the most unlikely of places I found a ray of hope, a random act of kindness that lifted my spirits.

This incident occurred in the basement of Farley Hall in the wee hours of the morning. I knew at that point on a Monday only the engineers and I were still awake. The silence was that profound.

Yes, on that fateful day, an eerie quiet hung over the room like a fog.

Unfortunately, a similar haze was keeping me from thinking clearly.

With two papers, a test and a slew of other things waiting to be checked off my to-do list, I needed a jolt of caffeine and fast. I was starting to fade and I swear I could hear my bed beckoning me. That sly seductress gets me every time. I just can't turn her down.

Having just purchased my beloved venti toffee nut mocha from Starbucks a few hours earlier, I looked at the vending machine hesitantly. Did I really need more caffeine? My Domer Dollars and Flex Points were becoming scarce.

Suddenly, I remembered I had some actual paper currency in my book bag. Things were looking up.

The Vanilla Coke called my name once again and, with money in hand, I approached the cool-looking Coke machine that was all red, pretty and new.

Overwhelmed by the beauty of this lovely mechanism, I did not realize three drinks were stuck inside and that it wasn't working.

In my ignorance, I put in a dollar and plopped in a quarter.

Since I always accidentally press the wrong button and end up wasting money on bottled water, I carefully made sure I selected my beloved Vanilla Coke — all in vain.

As the tray moved up to retrieve my Vanilla Coke and dispense it, I finally noticed the vending machine wasn't working.

Of course I had no more money so I wouldn't be able to go to another vending machine, and my student ID was all the way up in my room on the third floor. I knew there was no way I was walking all the way to my room unless I was going there to sleep.

This is when the miracle occurred.

The vending machine realized it wasn't working and returned my money.

I swear the heavens opened up and a chorus of angels sang.

In that moment, after a week of being disappointed by the selfishness of others, this humble vending machine restored my faith in the world.

I went back to my homework with a refreshing drink and a smile on my face. I guess little acts of kindness are always appreciated, no matter who — or what — they come from.

But then again, it is just a vending machine, not some act of God.

Maybe I should stop drinking so much caffeine.

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## Belief and understanding

**Kate Barrett**  
Faithpoint

"Do not try to understand in order to believe, but believe in order to understand."

I came across this quotation by St. Augustine of Hippo recently in a book of prayer my husband and I regularly use together. It appeared in the midst of the Scriptures and prayers for Thursday, Mar. 14.

Maybe it was simply because we are approaching the end of Lent, but its timeliness has struck me again and again in the past week.

The Gospel readings for these last days of Lent describe the tension that now fills every situation wherever Jesus goes. Animosity, fear and jealousy drive both the leaders of the Jews and their Roman oppressors, and they look for opportunities to arrest Jesus or even to kill him. Yet Jesus somehow slips out of their grasp, eludes their pursuit and escapes from their power, all the while teaching his disciples, raising the dead Lazarus, praying with his friends and showing mercy to the woman caught in adultery.

The difference between Jesus' attitude and that of his opponents presents a stark contrast, and one St. Augustine still recognized 400 years later. The Jewish leaders who feared and hated Jesus tried to lead from

their understanding when they really needed to cast their lots in on the side of belief. Jesus again and again offered the Pharisees freedom, truth and comfort if they would only believe in him, the living Word of God. But again and again, the Pharisees' responses reflect their attempt to understand rather than trust and believe: "Your testimony cannot be verified," they accuse Jesus. In the Gospel readings for today and tomorrow they even attempt to stone him for blasphemy.

In the last days of his life, Jesus faced not only hostility from the religious leaders but the cowardice, fear and betrayal of his closest friends. Judas sold him out for a relatively cheap price of 30 shekels. Peter denied him. By the time Jesus hung on the cross, John alone remained out of his twelve companions because their belief could not yet summon the strength to overcome their lack of understanding.

At the same time, Jesus must have been touched by the glimmers of faith he saw growing in the hearts of his disciples even as he faced death. As he washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper, he told Simon Peter, "What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later." Finally, Peter, his heart opening to belief even though he did not in fact understand, replied, "Master, then not only my

feet, but my hands and head as well."

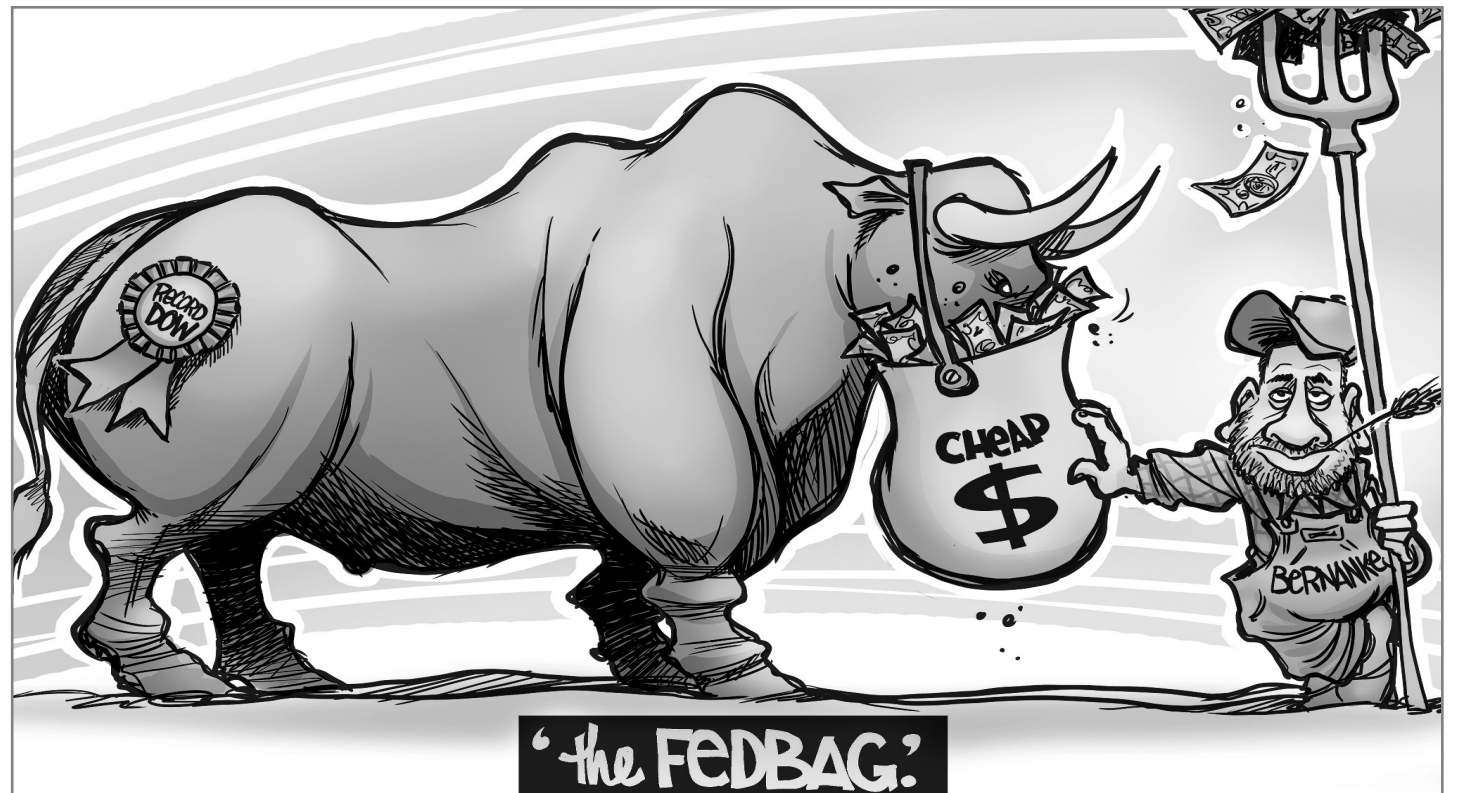
How could we ever reason our way to a God who, surely possessed of the power and opportunity to come down off the cross and strike down everyone in authority who put him there, instead chose to remain nailed in place and pray for mercy toward his tormentors?

As is true at any point in the year or at any point in our lives, but especially during these days of Lent and Holy Week, we walk with Jesus not necessarily because we understand, but because we believe. When we hear again next week the amazing stories of Jesus taking up his cross, we can allow our belief in Jesus and our gratitude to God to lighten the crosses we bear as well. We will never suffer humiliation, pain, rejection or shame on the same scale the Son of God suffered for each of us, and yet through the complete and total gift of himself, Jesus remains at our side through each of the crosses we encounter. When we open our hearts to belief in this most profound of truths, we will have the freedom to begin to understand.

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# Abolish parietals during finals week

Alex Caton

Modest Proposals

Some people like to study in their rooms. Some people like to study in groups. Some study groups in the college game are mixed gender. And no study group likes to be lifted out of productivity by an unwelcome distraction just as soon as they really get “in the zone.” Yet for those like me who would rather be able to complete a final group project in the comfort of my two-room quad than try fruitlessly to find a group study room amidst the bump and — study — grind of “Club Hes,” parietals are that distraction.

Parietals are a tired and usually contentious subject. Some say they rob us of the “real college experience.” Some say they’re an asset to Notre Dame’s unique on-campus living. I say it doesn’t matter. Granting parietals are good, or at least that we can’t generally do anything about them, we can still say definitively they serve none of their prescribed functions during finals week and should thus be abolished during that time. This may seem a radical or even unnecessary step, but it would address a real need in the University community — that of insufficient quiet, open and private study space when all 11,000 or so students here are trying to find it at the same time. By bringing this up now we can give the University several weeks to think it over before they adopt what is — as I’ll show — a very reasonable solution.

As far as I can tell, the arguments traditionally posed in favor of parietals are as follows: They help us as students to “close out the day” at a reasonable hour, they reinforce a sense of dorm community and they prevent excessive breaking of DuLac’s ban against premarital sex.

Here are the reasons why, during finals week, all of the above arguments are no longer relevant. First, after three semesters here, I have yet to have a day during finals week that “closed out” before 12, two, three or sometimes four in the morning. I imagine most will agree with me here.

The second argument is actually the one I most agree with. The freedom to walk down the hallway in boxers or to burn through a few episodes of “Archer” with your bros can hardly be overestimated. I’m sure girls have post-parietals bonding moments too, I just don’t know what they are. The problem here is finals are an individual — or the occasional three-to-five person group — venture. Dorm community goes out the window. Exam week is, in the words of somebody who will surely show up on my International Relations final, “solitary, poor, nasty, brutish and short.” And for this short period of time, the University ought to make some concessions to benefit students who want to responsibly utilize all of the study spaces they pay for.

In response to the third argument, I may be naïve, but I honestly think students just aren’t having sex during finals week due to two factors. The first is desirability. A guy who hasn’t shaved in eight days and a girl with her hair in the classic

“I haven’t washed my hair in over 56 hours” braid are not going to find romance among the excesses of stress and sweatpants. The second is the even simpler fact our individual desires to attain high GPAs and to put in the sleep and study time necessary to accomplish them can and do override the burdens of hormonal urges, if only for a week. Those who doubt me here will at least concede students really are unlikely to use extended nighttime hours for anything but study or sleep. The closer an exam gets, the more urgent these anything-but-sexual needs become. If sex is happening here during finals week, I doubt it’s after 8 p.m. And we’re not going to institute 8 p.m. parietals now, are we?

Ultimately, this comes down to Notre Dame’s commitment to facilitating the most rewarding finals experience possible. There are few things worse than having the flow of your study interrupted. If I am on a roll, steaming through history notes or economics problems, the fact I am doing so in a female group member’s common room at 12:04 a.m. on a Wednesday is simply not sufficient reason to uproot me from my work.

Whatever your stance on parietals for the other 15 or so weeks of the semester, we can agree during finals week they are a nuisance and nothing more. Let’s end them.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Coming to grips with the Iraq War

Ten years ago this week, the United States invaded Iraq. Hundreds of thousands of Iraqis have died. Even though combat operations have officially ended, violence and a de facto occupation continue. Meanwhile, thousands of United States service members have died. Many more have been wounded — physically and psychologically. Suicide is an epidemic among veteran ranks. Working class and lower-income families in the United States bear a disproportionate weight of this suffering because their sons and daughters disproportionately fight our wars for us.

The rest of us, for the most part, have been so removed from the war that we have been asleep. Distance is nice, admittedly, but it is a luxury that allows us to go on with our lives without second — or first — thought. Furthermore, distance can anesthetize us to the next war.

What better time to wake up than in this 2013 Lenten season? What better time to come to grips with the legacy of the Iraq War than now, 10 years on? Or at least to give it mention in our daily discourse and in our houses of worship. Next week, when we recall the passion and death of Jesus

— himself occupied by a foreign power — let us not forget the crucified peoples of today who have borne the brunt of this war: Both Iraqi and American, but the majority of them poor. Let us not miss an opportunity to repent for our abdication to the war 10 years ago and our distraction from it since. Peace and resurrection are more than possible, but they are not cheap.

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## UWIRE

# The resurrection of the extinct

Editorial Board

The Daily Free Press

According to The Boston Globe and “National Geographic,” scientists are debating bringing extinct species back to life. Their first test, if this happens, will be the passenger pigeon, which was driven to extinction by hunters in 1914.

In February, scientists gathered at Harvard to decide whether such a feat of conservation — which they’re calling “De-extinction” — can and should be done. The process of resurrecting a dead and instinct species would involve the very precise changing of individual spots in a genome so as to take one species and tweak its DNA in the appropriate ways to create a closely related one that is

otherwise extinct, according to the Globe.

There are advantages to pursuing this experiment, but it seems a frightening science-fiction-like endeavor — and a potentially futile one at that. Species become extinct for a reason, and bringing them back will disturb current ecosystems perhaps more than we can predict. According to the Globe, some are concerned that if species revival technology became available, it would detract scientific attention and resources from the critical job of protecting habitats and saving existing species. Moreover, if we choose to bring back a species from 1914, we must also make sure that we have ways of sustaining them with suitable habitats and diets, and it might be the case that these things went extinct along with the species. Resurrecting long-gone animals might be a lost cause in that it instigates an unsustainable cycle of ecosystem imbalances.

On the other hand, understanding how to tweak genes so as to conserve certain species would be a good thing, so long as we can support the animals we choose to bring back or keep around. Perhaps reaching into the past to alter and fortify the genes of a dead pigeon will enable us to do the same to the genes of animals we have at present and prevent further cases of extinction.

The experiment should be carried out either way, though, in the name of scientific discovery and possibility. If it succeeds (or even if it doesn’t) it will help us better understand our world and its delicate and changing ecosystems.

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# KICKSTARTING 'VERONICA MARS'

By **WILL NEAL**  
Scene Writer

Six years ago, the tiny, adorable, sloth-loving, blonde known as Kristen Bell impressed the world with her widely popular and critically successful series, "Veronica Mars." The show followed the story of Bell's title character: a girl who spends her high school and early college years moonlighting as a private investigator under the direction of her detective father in the fictional town of Neptune, Calif.

The show won numerous awards during its three-season run and delivered consistently solid story arcs that were thrilling, funny, smart, loveable and, most importantly, quite entertaining. Sure it was a great show, but why am I writing about a series that was cancelled in 2006? Well, in a surprise move that shocked "Veronica Mars" fans across the globe, the actors and series creator, Rob Thomas, announced a Kickstarter campaign to have its dedicated fans fund the show's long-awaited jump to a feature film. What is far more surprising, however, is that the Kickstarter page reached their \$2 million goal in less than 10 hours. The page continues to receive funding and has currently accumulated over \$3.6 million from generous and loyal supporters.

The cast and crew offered various prizes to their fans ranging from signed scripts to walk-on roles, and

promised that production would begin this upcoming summer. So for those of you who are neither fans nor familiar with the show, why should you care about this piece of news? To put it simply, "Veronica Mars" has changed the game for all of our favorite cancelled series. But, let's first explore the bold move that made this all happen.

While there was certainly a wide range of enthusiasm following the news of the successful campaign, the team's efforts also faced their fair share of controversy. The campaign's host website, Kickstarter.com has been known as the premium source of funding for independent projects, so that even the little guys could have a shot at making their dream projects.

If you're not familiar with the Kickstarter, it essentially allows users to set up their own fund raising campaign website that includes in text and video an explanation of what they hope to accomplish. There are countless types of projects on the website including fashion, new technologies, music, gaming and (in this case) films. A page will include a desired financial goal the user hopes to hit and the date by which they plan to achieve it. From there, the word is spread to potential supporters. Many users offer prizes and rewards to those "backers" who donate higher amounts. Only if the goal is met by their deadline does the project receive its funding.

Kickstarter has been a revolutionary way to bring to life an idea that can't quite get off the ground, and it is one

that Rob Thomas and the "Veronica Mars" team used to their advantage. Yet, many have expressed the belief that network shows and studios have no place on Kickstarter. However, if we all consider that there is a finally a chance for our favorite shows to return from the dead, maybe no one would be complaining then.

Let's take for example the prematurely cancelled cult favorite, "Firefly," created by the great and powerful Joss Whedon, director of "The Avengers" and creator of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer." He has seen the success of the "Veronica Mars" team's bold move and said he certainly wouldn't be opposed to a similar move for his beloved sci-fi series someday.

The success of this Kickstarter campaign has opened a huge door for the potential return for other series, and fans are jumping to the Internet to express their desires for shows they wish to return for a big-screen treatment. What if we had a chance to see Tony and the rest of family return for "The Sopranos" as a feature film? Or to see what happened to the lovable gang of "Freaks and Geeks" more than a decade later? Maybe we will even see a continuation of the "Battlestar Galactica" saga.

Only time will tell what shows will rise from this revelation, but just keep in mind that there is a new hope for all of your favorite cancelled shows. And for that, we thank you, "Veronica Mars."

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# CONCERT PREVIEW: JERROD NIEMANN



**Maddie Daly**  
Scene Editor

Country music fans, it's time to come together for a night full of Southern drawls and line dancing. This Friday, Legends is featuring Jerrod Niemann in concert, and since I know we are a minority, we need to show all the support we can.

In case you are unaware, Niemann is signed to a record label co-owned by the country heartthrob Brad Paisley and has appeared in the top 40 country music charts for three of his songs. Appearing on radio stations and playing shows all over the country, notably at Nashville's Grand Ole Opry, Niemann is following the footsteps of some serious stars. This is our opportunity to show off our country music pride by singing along with this upcoming star, so here's your chance to get a head start on learning those lyrics.

Part of Niemann's appeal is the fact that his music resembles that of Garth Brooks, one of my absolute favorite country music artists. In fact, Niemann and Brooks have collaborated in the past, co-writing songs like "Good

Ride Cowboy" and "Midnight Sun." The songs are catchy without being poppy and mainstream, and they all have their unique rhythm unlike some country stars these days (I'm looking at you, Taylor Swift). His most popular song, "Lover, Lover," could even be mistaken for a Zac Brown Band number, only by a country music rookie of course, because of its simplistic layers and natural, nearly-a capella vocals. The stripped-down yet catchy song shows off Niemann's natural talent as well as featuring subtle yet impressive guitar picking.

Another hit, "Down in Mexico," has a very Jimmy Buffet-esque vibe, with tambourines, ukuleles and lyrics about girls, drinking and beaches. It's the perfect song for the anticipation of summer, and Niemann will put you in a happy mood, even if just temporary, while you picture warm beaches and summer sun.

In the past, Niemann has toured with Love Like Crazy singer Lee Brice and country megastar Miranda Lambert. His concert at Notre Dame is just one stop on a summer-long tour, sandwiched between shows in New York and Fort Wayne, Ind.

With the intimate setting of Legends, you will be able to

experience Jerrod Niemann up-close and personal without having to pay ridiculous venue prices or deal with obnoxious 40-year-old country music fans drunkenly attempting to sing along (if you've ever been to a Rascal Flatts concert, you know what I'm talking about).

Come out to Legends this Friday at 10 p.m. for a guaranteed good time, surrounded by country music lovers — all you haters, just stay home or at least keep your mouth shut if you decide to come. It's about time Legends gave us a well-known country artist to sing along to lyrics about drinking (try Niemann's "One More Drinking Song"), beaches and the country.

Directly following the concert, Legends goes country, equipped with not only non-stop country music but also a mechanical bull. If that doesn't convince you, I don't know what will. So grab your cowboy boots, throw on some "jorts" and a plaid shirt, don that dusty cowboy hat and grab a partner to take to country night at Legends, y'all.

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# HUMOR ARTISTS SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS

By MIKO MALABUTE  
Scene Writer

This Friday evening's hijinks will kick off with The Improv Showcase at the Carey Auditorium in the Hesburgh Library presented by the Humor Artists, Notre Dame's premiere improv comedy group.

"The Humor Artists are Notre Dame's short-form improv comedy group," senior Brian Rodgers said. "We perform comedy scenes made up on the spot based on suggestions by people in the audience, similar to the popular show 'Whose Line is It Anyway?' We have 36 members in the group, and this membership consists of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's undergraduate, graduate, and law students."

The comedic art of improv requires quick wit and, more often than not, knowledge of current events. But this demand has not kept new students from joining Humor Artists. In fact, membership has grown drastically in

recent years.

"Our group has existed since 1996," Rodgers said. "I have been performing with this group since my freshman year, so this is my fourth year in the group."

This year alone the group size has doubled, adding about 16 new comedians to the ensemble.

"If someone wants to join HA [Humor Artists], they will have to wait until next semester," he said. "The reasons for this are that our coach Meghan Brown [rector of Lyons Hall] gives us lessons each week and it would be difficult for someone to catch up."

These lessons have prepared The Humor Artists for performance all over Notre Dame. The group performs several shows throughout the course of the year.

"We typically perform at Legend's four times a semester, a show at Washington Hall a semester and a show in the Carey Auditorium in the Hesburgh Library once a semester," Rodgers said.

However, The Improv Showcase still stands out

among the group's other shows, despite each and every show boasting an enthusiastic and hilarious cast. The Showcase is the Humor Artists' biggest show of the year, Rodgers said.

"What sets [the Improv Showcase] apart is that improv is much more engaging to audiences," Rodgers said. "We take all out prompts from audience members, and therefore the audience contributes to the creation of our hilarious scenes."

The audience can expect not only a hilarious improv show, but an interactive experience where they can be the directors. With so many new games and faces, the show is sure to have a new fantastic energy unlike any other HA show before.

The Improv Showcase will take place on Friday at 7:00 pm, at the Carey Auditorium at the Hesburgh Library. Admission is \$1.

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## 'HOUSE OF CARDS' A HIT

By JUAN RAMON CANCIO VELA  
Scene Writer

Gone are the days where Netflix resigned itself to merely being a middleman for content that could be found elsewhere, now that the online streaming service has finally shown that it too can bring unique content to its subscribers with the addition of the "House of Cards" to its online lineup. "House of Cards" will exclusively be broadcast on Netflix.

"House of Cards", stars Kevin Spacey as the series' protagonist, U.S. Rep. Frank J. Underwood. The series begins when the President neglects to follow through on his promise to Underwood to name him Secretary of State — but the story only gets more complex as the series progresses. Underwood's tactics stink of Machiavellian moral calculation, which Spacey embodies perfectly in his portrayal of a power-hungry politician. Underwood pulls the audience in, and seems to be a man with all the power and influence he needs to accomplish everything he wants to achieve. He and his wife are as calculating as they come, and both are extremely invested in repaying all those who have crossed them.

The show is host to an all-star cast that portrays characters who evolve fascinatingly over the course of

Underwood's ever-darkening pursuit for power. The story incorporates a wide range of themes that promise to keep us at the edge of our seats.

"House of Cards" showcases the challenges of maintaining ideals in a world that does everything to thwart that pursuit, while highlighting the troubles that come with trying to fulfill individual ambition. Life on Capitol Hill is revealed to be defined by deceit, retribution, and backstabbing by its focus on those who step on others to achieve a 'greater good.' This show also adds a touch of adultery, murder, and addiction to pique the interest of even the most jaded viewers.

Possibly one of the best features of this show is when Kevin Spacey's character breaks the fourth wall to speak to us about his plans, even as they are unfolding moment by moment. Although Underwood usually shows unwavering conviction and admirable resolve even in high-pressure situations, there are instances toward the end of the season wherein Frank Underwood lets us in on some of his insecurities. This unexpected show of vulnerability is uncharacteristic of the protagonist — it draws us deeper into the plot and helps us understand the character better.

Even though the morality of his tactics is suspect, you can't help but find yourself almost rooting for this

character and hoping he will achieve his objectives. After all the work, all the frustration and circumvention of the political system, we somehow want to see Frank Underwood get his shot at revenge — and with every passing episode he inches closer.

This show is definitely a must-see for any political drama aficionados. Hopefully, "House of Cards" is also a sign of the way Netflix hopes to shape its online streaming service. I for one am excited to see what other great series Netflix can present, and I hope the second season of "House of Cards" is as impressive as the first.

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### "House of Cards" Netflix

**Starring:** Kevin Spacey, Michael Gill, Robin Wright

Streaming online



## SPORTSAUTHORITY

# Streaks revive NBA, NHL



**Matt Robison**  
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The year 2013 has already been the Year of the Streak. The Blackhawks started the NHL regular season with an unprecedented 24-game point streak. The Heat had a 23-game winning streak, the second-longest in NBA history. And in the shadow of Miami comfortably sit the Nuggets, who have won 13 straight.

If nothing else, what the streaks have done is stir interest in what can be the most boring part of sports — the middle of lengthy regular seasons. The 82-game NBA regular season is entirely too long. The NHL benefited from the lockout by having their regular season shortened from 82 to 48 games.

But finally, the regular season is bearable again. And with March Madness, arguably the most exciting stretch in sports underway, people actually have a reason to watch professional sports. LeBron and the Heat are making professional basketball a spectacle again. The Blackhawks stole the show when the NFL playoffs usually have every sports fan consumed. The effect the streak had on the public perception of the league cannot be overstated.

Most of the United States has a hard time getting back into hockey after the lockout. Even though the league has a presence in non-traditional hockey cities like Tampa, Fla., and Nashville, Tenn., the NHL has a hard time gaining fans during the grueling regular season.

But the streak drew attention from across the sporting world. LeBron and Patrick Kane went back and forth on Twitter. All of a sudden, Barry Melrose was ESPN's most popular sports analyst.

When it comes to the NBA, the Heat are drawing comparisons to some of the best teams of all time: Jordan's Bulls teams of the 90s, Wilt's Lakers during the 70s. In an era when professional sports

have lost a great deal of credibility — cheating scandals, steroids, ridiculous free agencies — the leagues are regaining the awe and admiration of the sports faithful.

The paradigm is shifting. People often looked to college athletics as the exemplar for everything that was good and pure in sports. That has broken down with recruiting scandals and eligibility questions. Then it was the Olympics. But doping and steroids ruined that, too.

But even with the scandals, the \$100 million contracts and "The Decision," professional sports are watchable again.

I am a confessed LeBron hater. I hate what he did to the city of Cleveland and the farce he created during his free agency. But watching him play the game is just too fun to avoid.

I'm not a Blackhawks fan, either. To be entirely honest, I hate that the Blackhawks are the only NHL team that consistently plays on television in our area. But they're a fun team to watch because they did something no team in history has ever done.

In a way, I just don't want to miss out on seeing history unfold before my eyes. In the future, when other teams approach the marks set so far in 2013, I'll be able to remember watching those streaks unfold.

As I'm writing this column, the Heat are on the verge of the streak breaking. But even if it does, I'll be glad I tuned in to watch the NBA player I hate more than anyone in the league. Not because I'm a fan of the Heat, but because I'm a fan of the game.

When the streak Heat is over, and the Nuggets' streak as well, I can rest easy. Because as the Year of the Streak, I can already tell 2013 has plenty left to offer.

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## NFL

# Goodell intends to adjust Rooney Rule

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The NFL is looking to make the Rooney Rule more effective after eight available coaching jobs and seven for general managers did not go to a minority candidate.

"We were disappointed in the results this year," Commissioner Roger Goodell said Wednesday at the owners meetings, adding the league will make some tweaks to the rule.

"We think that some of the changes we are making (are) to make sure we get the right candidates better training and we really are doing a better job of getting them in front of the people who are making the decisions."

The Rooney Rule, implemented in 2003, was named for Pittsburgh Steelers chairman Dan Rooney, who steadfastly pushed the league to require every team to interview at least one minority candidate every time there is a coaching or general manager opening.

Before the rule went into effect, the NFL had had only six minority head coaches in more than 80 years. Since it has been in place, 12 have been hired.

But none this year, and not for a GM's job, either. Plus, two black head coaches, Lovie Smith and Romeo Crennel, and one general manager, Rod Graves, were fired.

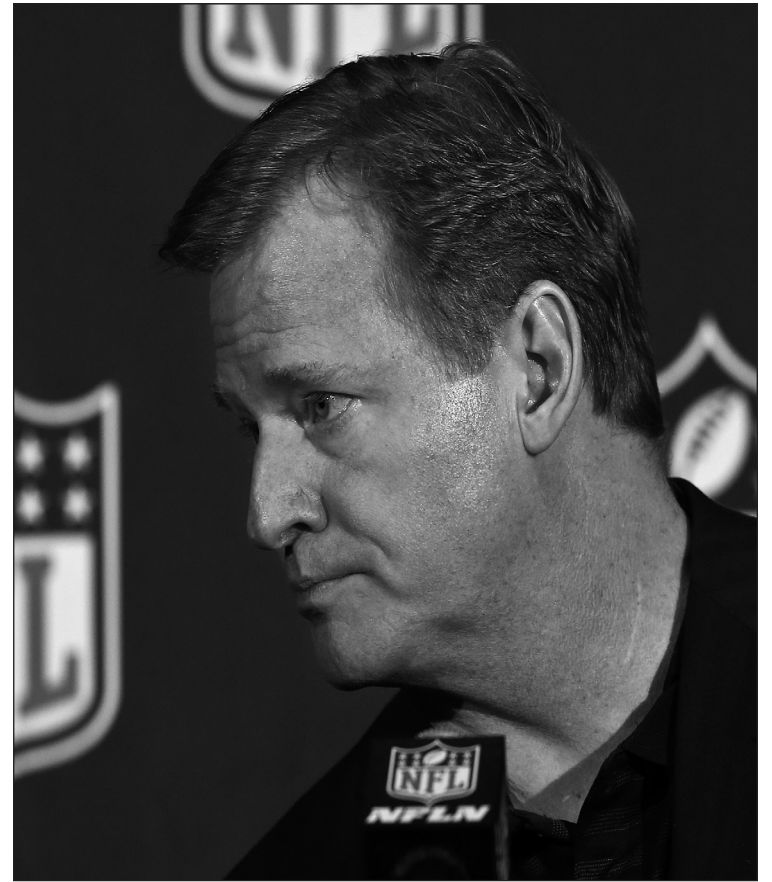
So one focal point for the league will be reinstating a symposium program that was primarily focused on coaches,

**"We think that some of the changes we are making [are] to make sure we get the right candidates better training and ... in front of the people making the decisions."**

Roger Goodell  
NFL commissioner

but Goodell said likely will have some potential GM candidates also attend.

"And this will be a learning experience, this will be an opportunity for us to help give



NFL commissioner Roger Goodell addresses the media at the annual NFL meetings in held in Phoenix this week.

them greater tools to be able to advance their careers," he said. "We also want to be able to give them greater feedback on the interview process."

One unidentified club suggested to Goodell there needs to be more flexibility in the interviewing process. Teams still involved in the playoffs are very reluctant to grant permission to interview their personnel, although the NFL has established a small window for those interviews early in the postseason.

"When there's an opening,

effort here is, to give the best people the best opportunities, and that's what everyone is asking for and looking for. I think we're making progress on that ..."

During Super Bowl week, Robert Gulliver, the NFL's executive vice president of human resources, said that the hiring results were "disappointing" and that he expects to make revisions in the rule.

The Fritz Pollard Alliance, a group of minority coaches and front-office, scouting and game-day NFL officials, wants the Rooney Rule expanded to apply to coordinators, assistant head coaches and club president positions.

There are currently four minority head coaches: Pittsburgh's Mike Tomlin, Minnesota's Leslie Frazier, Cincinnati's Marvin Lewis and Carolina's Ron Rivera. Minority general managers include Baltimore's Ozzie Newsome, Detroit's Martin Mayhew, Houston's Rick Smith, the New York Giants' Jerry Reese and Oakland's Reggie McKenzie.

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## NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Griner heads into final NCAA tournament on top

## Associated Press

WACO, Texas — Brittney Griner arrived at Baylor known as the girl who could dunk.

The 6-foot-8 Griner has obliged over the years with some rim-rattling highlights. Even in her last regular-season home game, she made a quick spin move around a Kansas State defender on the baseline for a one-handed slam.

While the 14 career dunks are impressive — fun, too — Griner always wanted to be known for than just slamming the ball. Add in all the blocks, points and championships, and she has indeed proven to be so much more in four seasons with the Lady Bears.

"A lot of people come up to me all the time and just tell me, just compliment me on my game, other than the dunks and the scoring," she said. "Just how I find my teammates and just everything, how I move on the court. That

hey, I'm kind of getting away from the YouTube dunker girl."

Going into her final NCAA tournament, the defending national champion Lady Bears (32-1) are again the No. 1 overall seed. They have a nation's-best 55-game winning streak at home, where they play their tourney opener Sunday night against SWAC champion Prairie View (17-14).

Griner is the Big 12 career scoring leader with 3,203 points, 190 short of the NCAA record with no more than six games left. She has a nearly seven-and-a-half-foot wingspan that contributes greatly to the record she really cherishes: 736 blocked shots, more than any other man or woman ever in the NCAA.

"She's one of a kind," Kansas State coach Deb Patterson said. "Look at the great run that Baylor has made with the Final Four and national championship, and really, a second potential national

her impact is hard to measure with words."

The dunk against Kansas State was part of Griner's Big 12-record 50 points in a game. Five days later in the Big 12 tournament, Griner had 19 points, 13 rebounds and a career-high nine assists in another game against the Wildcats.

"No matter what anybody says, she's not great because of her size," Patterson said. "She's great because she continued to improve her repertoire and compete extraordinarily well."

Her high school dunks made Griner a YouTube sensation, with as many as seven per game for Houston Nimitz. They even caught the attention of the likes of NBA superstar LeBron James, who met Griner when she was still in high school and has kept up with her since.

"She's awesome," James said. "It's not like she's just catching and laying it or dunking every time either. She's shooting turnaround jumpers. She's drop-stepping over her left shoulder, right shoulder, shooting jumpers. She's got a fadeaway jumper. And she's dunking the ball, too. She's great."

Griner still hears plenty of jeers and taunts from opposing fans during games. And there is no shortage of insults and insinuations about her on social media.

Griner used to be bothered and angered by some of the things said and written about her. She shrugs it off now.

"I went on Twitter and typed in my name just to see what people were saying, and it was pretty funny," Griner said. "They don't know what they're talking about. They're mad, (I) probably beat their team. They're jealous. ... In one ear, out the other, and I use it kind of as entertainment really, just to see some of the ignorant stuff that they will say."

Or what will be made up, like the fake Twitter account somebody created representing the New Orleans Pelicans (the future name of the NBA's Hornets) to congratulate Anthony Davis, the first overall pick in last year's NBA draft, for "becoming engaged to Brittney Griner."

That obviously wasn't true, but it even surprised Griner, certain to be the WNBA's first overall pick this year.

"It sounded legit how they said it, and worded it," she said. "I was like, 'Wow!' Kind of made me believe. ... I looked at my hand."

The only ring she had on was the one signifying the Lady Bears' national championship last year, going



Bears' senior center Brittney Griner blocks a shot during Baylor's 82-65 victory over Oklahoma on Jan. 26.

undefeated in the NCAA's first 40-win season.

"Brittney Griner, after winning the national championship last year, should have erased any doubt in people's minds as the greatest to ever play the game," coach Kim Mulkey said.

It's hard to believe that Griner was like any other freshman when she arrived, nervous and unsure what to expect. The Lady Bears went 27-10 her first season, and made it to the NCAA Final Four before a national semifinal loss to Connecticut. They are 106-4 since.

There was also that punch late in her freshman season after tangling under the basket with a Texas Tech player. After being slung back and lunging toward the baseline, Griner stopped, took two steps and delivered a roundabout right to Jordan Barncastle's face.

Like so many of Griner's dunks, the video of that punch went viral. She got an automatic one-game NCAA suspension, and Mulkey added a second. It's something Griner still regrets happened.

But Griner is constantly pushed and shoved during games with opposing teams often putting two, three and sometimes even more defenders on her.

As fierce as Griner can be during games, including occasional scowls and chest pounding, she is fun-loving

and often goofy off the court.

After her 50-point game on senior night, Griner pedaled around the court on a tricycle used for student races during timeouts of Baylor games. She rides an elongated skateboard on campus, where other students find out she's just another college kid.

"She's a great person. She talks to everybody. She's always laughing and joking around," said Baylor men's point guard Pierre Jackson, the Big 12's leading scorer. "She just makes everybody smile."

Jackson was a junior college transfer and admittedly "kind of star-struck" by her when he first got to Baylor two years ago. She introduced herself to Jackson to break the ice.

There are less than three weeks left in her college career that Griner realizes "just went so quick." She will leave an indelible mark on the women's game, even though she cringes when asked about her impact on the game.

"I just feel like I'm adding on," she said. "I guess you can say I'm changing the defensive end ... Just because I'm so big and I move. I'm not stationary."

"I want people to look back and be like 'Dang, I remember when I played her back in college, she was a game-changer on the defensive end,'" Griner said. "I want that to be my mark on the defensive end."

Well, that's a slam dunk.

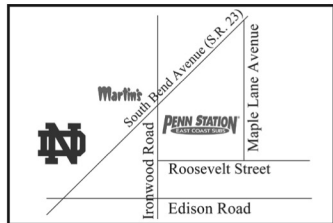
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## NCAA

# Moore steps down as 'Bama athletic director

## Associated Press

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Alabama athletic director Mal Moore is stepping down to become special assistant to the president because of health problems after a lengthy reign at his alma mater that ended with the Crimson Tide's football program back on top nationally.

The university announced the move on Wednesday. The 73-year-old Moore, who played and coached for Paul "Bear" Bryant and then hired football coach Nick Saban, has been hospitalized at Duke University Medical Center since March 13 with pulmonary problems.

He has been the Tide's athletic director since 1999, and will work under university President Dr. Judy Bonner.

"As many of you may know, due to factors related to my health, I am at a point that I can no longer fulfill my duties as athletics director in the true championship manner the position requires," Moore said in a statement released by the university. "While I have to focus on my health issue, I look forward to maintaining an ongoing working relationship with this great university as special assistant to Dr. Bonner.

"I cannot adequately express what the university means to me. It has been a part of my life for more than 50 years, and I feel honored to have served the Crimson Tide as a player, coach and administrator."

Moore has been part of 10 national championship football teams in those various capacities. His biggest move as athletic director was hiring Saban away from the Miami Dolphins in January 2007 after a failed attempt to hire Rich Rodriguez.

Saban has led the Tide to three of the last four national titles, and said Moore set the table for that success.

Moore, however, started with a nice recruiting job on wife Terry Saban.

"I wasn't even going to talk to him," Saban said. "But I called Terry and said, 'I don't think I'm going to talk to these guys.' And she said, 'Oh, well Mal is already here. We've been talking for an hour.' So, that was his first step in the right direction. But you know, I always had a tremendous amount of respect for Mal since I was at LSU. As a coach, you always have a special appreciation for the other coaches who are ADs.

"I think he's always contributed in a positive way to the league. Mal has really become a good friend and

somebody that I have a tremendous amount of respect for. I'm happy for him. I'll be most happy for him if he can get healthy and be around here with us. But I'm going to miss him."

Saban said Moore had talked about stepping down for a while.

Alabama said it would hire a replacement as AD "as quickly as possible."

Moore oversaw an athletic department that made more than \$200 million in facilities improvements — including two expansions of Bryant-Denny Stadium totaling about \$112 million — and won national championships in football, gymnastics, softball and women's golf in 2011-12. The stadium now holds 101,821

The football building and his own memorabilia-covered office are housed in the Mal M. Moore Athletic Facility, named after him in 2007. Alabama opened a \$9 million athletic training facility in February.

"Mal Moore is Crimson Tide sports," Bonner said. "During his tenure as athletics director, our student athletes have experienced unprecedented success in every aspect of their careers at UA, on the field of play and in the classroom. His contributions to UA athletics on every level are unsurpassed. And, while he will no longer be in charge of day-to-day operations, I am so pleased that we will continue to be able to rely on his wisdom and expertise going forward."

Moore was a freshman on Bryant's first Alabama team in 1958 then spent 22 seasons as a coach, including stints with the NFL's Cardinals in St. Louis and Phoenix and at Notre Dame.

He joined Bryant as a graduate assistant in 1964 and coached both the secondary and quarterbacks before becoming the Tide's first offensive coordinator in 1975. He was also Gene Stallings' offensive coordinator from 1990-93 in a tenure that included the 1992 national championship.

He interviewed to take over the program after Bryant retired in 1982 but was passed over in favor of New York Giants coach Ray Perkins. Suddenly jobless and pondering getting out of coaching, Moore accepted an offer to coach Notre Dame's running backs.

"At the time, I kind of felt like a man without a country," Moore said in a December 2012 interview ahead of the BCS championship game with the Fighting Irish. "I was in a strange position that I'd

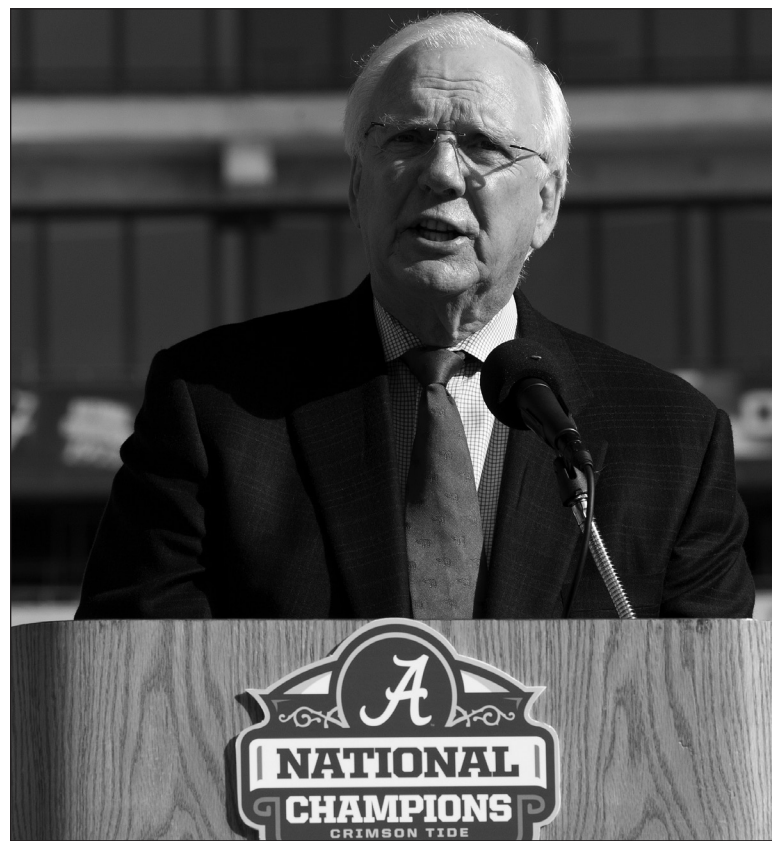
never been in before."

Moore was inducted into the state of Alabama Sports Hall of Fame in 2011 and won the John L. Toner Award given by the National Football Foundation and the Hall of Fame to the nation's best athletics director for the 2011-12 school year.

Stallings recommended Moore twice for the athletic director spot, and the second time he got the job. Moore hired three coaches — including Mike Price, who was fired before coaching in a game — before landing Saban.

The program has flourished since.

"I just think he's done a super job," Stallings said of Moore. "He's kept an excellent profile. Nearly everything under his watch has continued to grow. The stadium is as pretty as any in the country. I just can't say enough good things about Mal."



Alabama athletic director Mal Moore addresses fans at Bryant-Denny Stadium on Jan. 21, 2012. Moore announced his resignation Wednesday.

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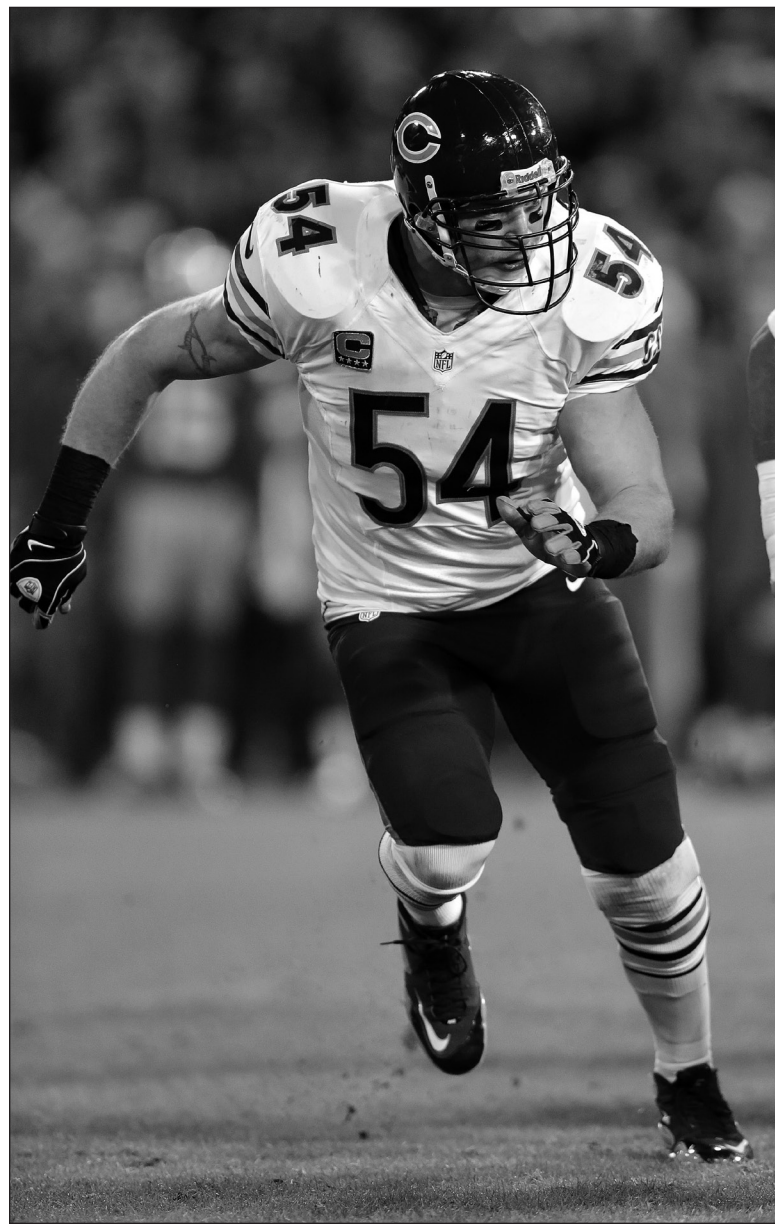
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NFL

# Urlacher fails to reach agreement with Bears



Bears middle linebacker Brian Urlacher chases the ball carrier November 19, 2012. Urlacher became a free agent Wednesday.

## Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Chicago Bears are parting ways with veteran linebacker Brian Urlacher after 13 years.

General manager Phil Emery said Wednesday that the team couldn't agree on a contract with Urlacher, for years the heart and face of the franchise. He is now a free agent after being slowed by a knee problem and then missing the last four games of the season with a hamstring injury.

"We were unable to reach an agreement with Brian and both sides have decided to move forward," Emery said in a statement. "Brian has been an elite player in our league for over a decade. He showed great leadership and helped develop a winning culture over his time with the Bears. We appreciate all he has given our team, on and off the field. Brian will always be welcome as a member of the Bears."

The 34-year-old Urlacher, an eight-time Pro Bowl player, started 180 games from 2000 through 2012, recording a team-record 1,779 tackles. The ninth overall selection in the 2000 draft has 41.5 sacks, 22 interceptions, 16 fumble recoveries and 11 forced fumbles. He was the AP's defensive player of the year in 2005 and helped lead the

2006 team to the Super Bowl.

"Over the last 13 years Brian Urlacher has been an outstanding player, teammate, leader and face of our franchise," chairman George McCaskey said. "As Bears fans, we have been lucky to have such a humble superstar represent our city. He embodies the same characteristics displayed by the Bears all-time greats who played before him and he will eventually join many of them in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. We thank Brian for all he has given our team and our city. He will always be a part of the Bears family. We wish him the very best."

The parting with Urlacher is just the latest change in what's been a busy offseason for Chicago.

The Bears fired coach Lovie Smith after a second straight late collapse left them out of the playoffs for the fifth time in six years, although they did finish with 10 wins.

They replaced him with the offensive-minded Marc Trestman, hoping he could get the most out of quarterback Jay Cutler, and addressed two major issues in free agency by signing left tackle Jermon Bushrod from New Orleans and tight end Martellus Bennett from the New York Giants.

Trestman also said that the

Bears wouldn't change much from the cover-2 scheme they ran under Smith, but he offered what seemed like lukewarm endorsements when asked in recent weeks about Urlacher.

Now, they're parting ways. And the Bears have big holes to fill at the position.

Their only starting linebacker under contract is Lance Briggs. Strong side linebacker Nick Roach — who also saw time in the middle — signed with Oakland.

It's not clear what's next for Urlacher. He had said he wanted to return to the Bears and had posted pictures on Twitter in recent weeks indicating he was working his way back into shape, but whether he will latch on with another team remains to be seen.

His agents did not immediately respond to messages seeking comment.

Last season, Urlacher sprained his medial collateral ligament and partially sprained the posterior cruciate ligament in his left knee during the 2011 regular-season finale against Minnesota and hasn't been the same since then.

He barely participated in training camp, had an arthroscopic procedure in mid-August to relieve the swelling, and spent most of the season trying to regain his old form.

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## NCAA BASETKBALL

# NCAA investigates Syracuse basketball

## Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Syracuse has been under investigation for possible NCAA violations, mostly in its basketball program, for at least a year, according to two media reports.

CBS Sports.com, citing an unidentified source, reported Wednesday that the school has received a letter of preliminary inquiry from the NCAA.

The Post-Standard reported NCAA investigators have been conducting interviews with Syracuse employees and former employees. The newspaper said the investigation includes the handling of former player Fab Melo's academic eligibility.

In 2012, the star center was declared ineligible for the NCAA tournament days before it started.

"Same story they had last year at this time," coach Jim Boeheim said in San Jose, Calif., before the Orange played Montana in their opening game of the NCAA tournament. "I guess that's annual. I guess next year we'll get it again."

Boeheim would not answer any specific questions about the report but said he wasn't bothered by the timing of it on the eve of the tournament.

"We're concerned about playing Montana," he said. "What people write or say, you know, there's 30,000 people in the Dome yelling at me all the time. People yell at their television sets. I tell them I can't hear them, but they still yell at them. There's no distractions for me. And these players, there's absolutely no distractions for them. They're here to play Montana and that's it."

The school also acknowledged last year that the college sports governing body had inquired into old allegations that players were allowed to practice and play despite being in violation of the school's drug policy.

This season, forward James Southerland sat out six games during the season for an academic issue. CBS Sports reported the investigation is not related to sexual assault allegations made against former assistant basketball coach Bernie Fine in 2011.

## NBA

# LeBron dominates in comeback victory

## Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Miami's winning streak was in danger of disappearing — in the most unimaginable setting.

LeBron James wouldn't give up.

"That guy right there doesn't want to lose in this building," teammate Dwayne Wade said, nodding toward James. "Not tonight."

James scored 25 points as the Heat overcame a 27-point deficit in the third quarter and won their 24th straight game, 98-95 over the short-handed Cleveland Cavaliers on Wednesday night to extend the second-longest winning streak in NBA history.

The Heat are within nine games of matching the record of 33 consecutive wins held by the 1971-72 Los Angeles Lakers. Once believed to be untouchable, the mark is now within reach.

James and his teammates have insisted the record isn't one of their goals, and for more than 30 minutes the defending champions seemed disinterested and on the verge of losing for the first time since Feb. 1. Miami trailed

67-40 with 7:44 left in the third quarter.

But behind the irrepressible James, who added 12 rebounds and 10 assists in 42 minutes, the Heat inched closer to history and matched the NBA's biggest comeback this season, according to STATS.

"This was one of the most bizarre, unique days of my life with everything that happened," said James, referring to a homecoming in which a fan ran onto the floor and the opening tip was delayed 35 minutes by a leaky scoreboard. "It also was one of the best comebacks I've ever been a part of."

James had 14 points, seven rebounds, three assists and two steals in the fourth as Miami rallied to win for the second game in a row. The Heat were down 17 points — 13 in the fourth quarter — and stormed back to beat Boston 105-103 on Monday and surpass the 2007-08 Houston Rockets for the second-longest streak in NBA history.

"I knew there was a lot of time, so we never panicked," James said. "We were down 27 with 18 minutes left. That's a lifetime in

basketball."

Although the Cavs were missing All-Star guard Kyrie Irving, Dion Waiters and Anderson Varejao — their top three scorers — they pushed Miami to the limit.

It wasn't until James, playing his fourth game back in Cleveland since leaving as a free agent in 2010, made two free throws with 4.7 seconds left that Miami could relax, but just a little. The Cavs had one last chance to tie it, but C.J. Miles was long with a 3-pointer in the final second, letting Miami off the hook.

Following the game, James stopped to sign a few autographs as he made his way to Miami's locker room. This was much tougher than he and the Heat could have imagined. The win also completed a five-game road trip, dubbed "The Reunion Tour" by James because Miami visited Wade's home in Milwaukee, Chris Bosh's former team in Toronto and Ray Allen's in Boston.

"The streak wasn't on my mind, but us getting blown out was," James said. "I was going to be the only guy to take an 'L' on the reunion tour."



Miami's LeBron James reacts after scoring in the fourth quarter during the Heat's 98-95 victory over Cleveland on Wednesday.

## NIT TOURNAMENT

## Mercer surprises Tennessee

## Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Mercer had much more time than Tennessee to get over the disappointment of missing the NCAA tournament. That difference was apparent Wednesday in Mercer's 75-67 NIT first-round victory over Tennessee.

Travis Smith scored 25 points to match his career high as Mercer (24-11) showed more energy than Tennessee (20-13) all night in front of only 4,468 fans at the 21,678-seat Thompson-Boling Arena. Mercer advanced to a second-round game Monday at BYU.

Mercer won the Atlantic Sun regular-season title, but it lost to Florida Gulf Coast in the March 9 conference championship game. The NIT grants automatic bids to conference regular-season champions that fail to win their league tournaments and don't receive NCAA at-large invitations.

Tennessee didn't learn it

was going to the NIT until it failed to earn an NCAA at-large invitation on Sunday.

"I could definitely see where it's a lot harder for them to have a quick turnaround like that," said Mercer center Daniel Coursey, who scored 15 points and shot 7-for-7. "I feel like that did have sort of an effect. We had a full week-and-a-half that we didn't even play a game. We had a few days off and then had practice. That definitely helped us."

Tennessee coach Cuonzo Martin said his players were emotionally drained, but he also credited Mercer for outplaying his team. Mercer led 34-28 at halftime and stayed ahead throughout the second half.

"We knew as a staff it would be a tough game because of their talent level, not necessarily because we didn't make the tournament," Martin said. "That just adds to it."

This marked the second straight night a Southeastern

Conference team had lost to a team from a low-major conference in the NIT. Robert Morris of the Northeast Conference beat defending national champion Kentucky 59-57 on Tuesday.

Mercer improved to 2-1 this season against Southeastern Conference foes. Mercer lost 58-49 at Georgia on Dec. 18 and won 66-59 at Alabama on Dec. 22. Alabama had won two of its three meetings with Tennessee this season.

"We were very confident," Smith said. "We're a tight-knit team and we believe we can compete with anybody at any given time."

Trae Golden scored 20 points and Jarnell Stokes had 14 points and 13 rebounds for Tennessee. Stokes' 12 offensive rebounds were the most by a Tennessee player since the school started keeping track of that statistic in 2011-02. Jordan McRae had been leading the Vols with 16 points per game, but he scored just seven Wednesday and shot 3-for-14.

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CLUB SPORTS

# Men's Ultimate goes 0-3 at Tally Classic

*Women's Ultimate reaches semifinals in Tallahassee, Fla., goes 6-0 in Axton, Va.*

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Both the Notre Dame Men's Ultimate A and B teams travelled south during the break to compete in two tournaments, the Tally Classic and the Woodside Invite.

The Tally Classic, which began in Tallahassee, Fla., on March 9, did not go as well as Notre Dame would have liked. The A team went 0-3 in pool play with close losses to Auburn, Mississippi, and Georgia. In all three of these games the Irish started strong, but could not close out the opposing teams.

The team hoped to bounce back in bracket play the next day and came out strong against Alabama in the first game of the day. But the team failed to close out the game yet again, as untimely breaks gave Alabama the 13-10 victory.

The Tally Classic ended with a 13-4 loss to the Indiana Hoosiers, and the team ended up a disappointing 0-5 for the weekend. The team was lead by strong performances from senior captains Zach Woodruff and Jonathan Koch, as well as junior Conor Hanney and sophomore Kyle Hill.

The A team headed to Carrollton, VA on the second weekend of the mid-semester break to compete in the Woodside Invite.

They started strong on Saturday as tough defense and smooth offense lead to three consecutive victories.

Conditions were wet and the fields were muddy, but the Irish made good decisions with the disc and exploited holes in the defense. However, the team lost the final two games of the day to finish 3-2 in pool play. Still, the Irish record was good enough to earn a place in the championship bracket for Sunday.

Notre Dame came out strong against Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Sunday and traded points early. A hard fought, heavily contested, muddy break gave Wisconsin-Eau Claire the 5-4 lead that they never relinquished.

They went on to win the game by three breaks. Notre Dame then played VCU, and again came out strong. This time, however, the Irish were able to piece together a complete game and come away with the 11-6 victory.

In the final game of the day, Notre Dame lost to William &

Mary in another hotly contested battle to finish 4-for-4 in the tournament.

Strong individual performances came from senior Connor Sea, sophomore Steven Zurawski and freshmen Jeremy Doyle, Patrick Hansen, and Matthew Farrell.

The A team will be in action in three weeks at the Last Call Tournament in central Illinois.

The B team competed almost exclusively against A teams at the Woodside Invite and performed well. Despite going 0-5 in pool play on Saturday, the B team took Virginia Commonwealth to universe point in the last game of the day.

Unfortunately, the defense could not get a turnover and VCU won 13-12. This hard fought game gave Notre Dame B confidence heading into bracket play on Sunday.

They started with a game against Woodside, but ultimately fell 13-6 after starting strong. Notre Dame B bounced back with a great showing against Cornell B, but again could not get over the hump and lost 8-6. In the final game of the tournament, Notre Dame B fell to

Edinboro 11-5.

Despite the winless weekend, sophomore captain Tim Hosty was proud of the fight his squad showed against VCU on Saturday and all day Sunday. He is confident that with this experience and increased practice time, the victories will come for Notre Dame B.

The team was lead with exceptional play by captain Tim Hosty, as well as sophomores Mike Keough and Billy Schell, and freshmen Joe Norby and Jonathan Cernanec.

**Women's Ultimate Frisbee**

Over spring break, the Notre Dame women's ultimate team competed in two tournaments: the Tally Classic in Tallahassee, Fla., and Virginia is for Layouts in Axton, Va.

The Tally Classic was the team's first opportunity to play ultimate in pleasant weather — temperatures were warm and wind conditions were fair. On the first day, the A squad beat both Purdue (15-12) and Georgia College (9-8), but faced tough competition and lost to Florida State (12-7), who later won the tournament title. During the playoffs, the team found success over South Carolina (15-4), but lost the rematch against Purdue in the semi-finals, 11-10.

Despite their disappointment from being eliminated from the championship bracket, the squad fought hard against Tulane for a 11-7 victory, earning a 3rd place finish.

After a week of recuperating, both the A and B squads went on to compete in the "Virginia is for Layouts" tournament. Over the course of the weekend, the A squad went 6-0, defeating William & Mary (12-9), James Madison (13-3), Elon (10-8), Davidson (13-6), Cornell (13-4), and Wellesley (13-6).

Their success in each game

brought more playing time and confidence to young players filling in for injured upperclassmen. Sophomore Kristen Collins made a beautiful up-field throw to assist Kasey Coonan in scoring on Sunday, truly demonstrating great improvement.

In addition, freshman Mara Jurkovic improved her cuts and on-field communication, helping her to score as well. Senior captain Kelly Taylor acknowledged the team's improvement as a whole and was an effective leader on the field.

Fellow senior captain Kelsey Taylor led the team in effective communication on the sidelines, increasing field awareness and helping each player learn more about the game.

On Sunday, the B squad found victory over Williams B (8-2). B squad captain, sophomore Nicole Vujosevich reflected proudly, "Everybody played hard and competitively in every game." Vujosevich attributed the team's success to their good spirit.

The team's next tournament will be the "Last Call" in Illinois on the weekend of April 6-7.

**Club Gymnastics**

The gymnastics club team competed in the Illini Invite at the University of Illinois on March 9. The Irish started on the uneven bars and finished on the vault.

Christa Costello, a sophomore competing in her first gymnastics meet of this season, finished the day with a 7.9 on the balance beam and a 7.7 on the floor exercise.

Junior Emily Siebert competed on the balance beam, floor exercise, and vault. She received a score of 8.0 on beam, a 9.3 on floor, and an 8.525 on vault.

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## FENCING

# Irish prepare for NCAA competition

By **A.J. GODEAUX**  
Sports Writer

With individual titles and a ninth NCAA team title on their minds, twelve Notre Dame fencers will take to the strips this Thursday through Sunday at the NCAA championship in San Antonio, Texas, making it the sixth consecutive year the Fighting Irish have a dozen fencers in the meet.

The opportunity is one every fencer cherishes, sophomore foilist Madison Zeiss said. Zeiss is making her second NCAA championship appearance.

"The atmosphere at a meet like this is definitely stressful," Zeiss said. "Everyone here is incredibly determined and focused, but everyone knows what an honor it is to be here so it's awesome to be here."

Joining Zeiss in San Antonio is fellow foilist Lee Kiefer, a freshman who's looking to add an NCAA Championship title to an already impressive resume which includes a sixth place finish in last summer's Olympics. The two are coming off a remarkable NCAA Midwest Regional meet March 9 and 10, with Kiefer taking the top spot on the podium and Zeiss

following right behind in second.

Seniors Courtney Hurley and Ewa Nelip will be making their fourth appearance at the NCAA championships. Hurley, who is 60-10 in her previous three trips, took third in both the 2009 and 2010 national meets, and won it all in 2011. Nelip too has two bronze medals to her name, winning hers in 2008 and 2009.

Like Zeiss, senior sabreuse Lian Osier is making her second appearance at the national meet, while freshman newcomer Johanna Thill will be making her first appearance. Osier finished second in the NCAA regional meet with a 13-2 record, while Thill finished fifth, going 10-5 in her bouts.

The men's squad will be led by past national champions in senior foilist and two-time Olympian Gerek Meinhardt, the 2010 champion, and junior Ariel DeSmet, who took the foil title in 2011. This will be third NCAA appearance for Meinhardt and the second for DeSmet, as both missed last year's season because of Olympic training. Like Zeiss and Kiefer, Meinhardt and DeSmet finished one-two in the regional meet, with Meinhardt outlasting DeSmet to win gold.

Freshman John Hallsten, who won the NCAA Midwest Regional sabre draw to punch his ticket to San Antonio, and junior Kevin Hassett, the third place finisher at the regional meet, will compete in sabre at the NCAA championship. Hassett is returning for the second consecutive year after finishing seventh in last year's national meet. Freshman epeeist Garret McGrath, the Midwest Conference Champion, and junior epeeist Michael Rossi, the bronze medalist in the Midwest Regional, round out the men's squad.

The entire squad made the trip down to San Antonio to cheer on their teammate, Zeiss said. Winning a team title for Notre Dame would be "everything we have wanted," she said.

"No matter how individual the tournament is, to win a title for Notre Dame...would mean so much," Zeiss said.

The men's bouts take place Thursday and Friday, while the women take to the strips on Saturday and Sunday. The meet will be held at the Freeman Coliseum in San Antonio.

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*Irish junior foil Ryan Murphy attacks an opponent during the Midwest Conference Championships on March 2, Notre Dame.*

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Irish freshman Alex Lawson returns the ball during Notre Dame's 6-1 loss to USC on Wednesday. Notre Dame will take on William and Mary on Saturday.

## Bandy

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While Irish junior Billy Pecor won the first set at No. 4 singles, he dropped the last two sets, falling 7-6, 6-4, 6-3. Irish senior Blas Moros also played a three-set match at

1-6, but eventually found his stride by exploiting Wang's weaknesses and playing a tighter game.

"The first set I started off a little slow," Bandy said. "The guy kind of walked all over me. It really kind of clicked in the second set. I kind of rec-

around, I had to play all out. So I waited for the right ball and I'd attack and come in and things worked out well."

USC represents the sixth team ranked in the top-25 Notre Dame has played this spring season. The Irish are 2-4 against these opponents, but have only been swept, 7-0, one time against then-No.4 Ohio State on the road.

"We always play one of the toughest schedules in the country," Bandy said. "We've played these teams before, had the experience, but it's just about making sure when it comes down to game time that you have energy and you're focused and you have the confidence."

The Irish will next travel to Williamsburg, Va. this weekend to face William and Mary on Saturday.

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Ryan Bandy  
junior

No. 3 singles, but lost to No. 65 Trojans sophomore Yannick Hanfmann, 1-6, 6-0, 1-6.

Bandy was the only Irish player to win a match against the Trojans, but the win didn't come without a fight.

The junior lost the first set,

ognized that he had a tougher time hitting the ball when I got him out wide so I started serving out wide on both sides and started playing cleaner. When I got a short ball, I really went after it and knew that if I wanted to change the match

## WOMEN'S SWIMMING

# Irish send six to championships

By KATIE HEIT  
Sports Writer

Though six members of the Notre Dame squad face their toughest competition of the season this week at the NCAA championships, the Irish plan to use the opportunity to relax and enjoy themselves.

"We love to have fun and goof off," sophomore swimmer Emma Reaney said. "Not taking ourselves too seriously is what really helps us. [Irish coach Brian Barnes] always teaches us to be prepared for anything that goes wrong. He wants us to learn how to stay calm no matter what happens so I'd say we've been thinking about that a little more than usual."

Going into the first day of competition, Reaney has top-10 times in the 100-yard breaststroke, the 200-yard individual medley and the 200-yard breaststroke. Reaney will also be competing in four relays throughout the three-day competition.

"I'm always so honored to represent Notre Dame," Reaney said. "To get that name and logo out there as many times as we can is awesome."

Reaney is in good company among her teammates. Senior backstroke Kim Holden qualified for three individual events — the 100-yard butterfly and the 100 and 200-yard backstroke.

This is the second time Holden has attended the NCAA championships,

finishing in the top 25 in the 100 and 200-yard backstroke in 2011.

Junior backstroke Kelly Ryan competes in both the 100 and 200-yard backstroke, as well as the 100-yard freestyle. Ryan was named an All-American in 2012 for her top performance in the 200-yard backstroke.

Sophomore butterfly Bridget Casey was the last swimmer to qualify in an individual event and will be swimming in the 200-yard butterfly.

Freshman Catherine Galletti will be traveling with the team and is eligible to compete in any of the four Irish relays throughout the weekend.

Reaney said she's not worried about staying motivated throughout the three-day competition.

"The energy on deck at this meet is almost palpable," Reaney said. "You can't help but be excited to be there and excited to swim even until the last minute of the meet. My entire family is here, too, and knowing they're here to support me will definitely keep me motivated."

Senior diver Jenny Chiang kicks off the Irish competition tomorrow when she competes in the preliminaries for the 1-meter dive.

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Irish junior nose guard Louis Nix III watches his teammates perform drills during Notre Dame's first spring practice on Wednesday. Nix changed his jersey number from No. 9 to No. 1 in the offseason.

## Kemp

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who had two assists and two goals and now leads the team with 12 goals on the season. Senior attack Sean Rogers and sophomore attack Conor Doyle each contributed three points. "Matt Kavanagh's terrific, and when we're playing good offense, Matt is even better," Corrigan said. "He knows how to play when the game is moving. When the offense is moving ... Matt's going to find spots to make plays. He

puts himself in the middle of things a lot. For me, he's the canary in the coal mine; when he's scoring goals, that means we're playing good offense." With this victory the Irish end a brutal stretch of six straight games against top-10 opponents. Despite the success of his squad, Corrigan still thinks his team can improve and wants them to stay focused on the road ahead as they enter conference play. "We played a very, very good first half [today] and we're a tough team to comeback on from five goals down, but I'm

still waiting for us to play 60 minutes together," Corrigan said. "We're about halfway through the year now and it's time for us to really know ourselves better and have a sense of what kind of plays we can make and which ones we just have to take a pass on. "There are no walks in the park in Division I lacrosse right now." The Irish next play Rutgers at 1 p.m. Sunday in Piscataway, N.J.

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## Practice

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Monroe, Ga., native was held without a sack against both USC and Alabama to close out the year.

"The last half of the season he really struggled with it," Kelly said. "He fought through it. But it was something that needed to be repaired so that was done before spring break."

Kelly said he was focused on watching players returning from injuries that held them out of last season.

"What I wanted to do was get around and observe some of our injured players and see what they look like coming back for the first time," Kelly said. "So for the first two, three days, and probably until we get into next week, I want to be able to float around and have a real good sense and feel for some of our players that we're counting on to be in key roles for us."

### Wood and Collinsworth return to the secondary

Kelly said he was particularly impressed with senior cornerback Lo Wood, who missed all of last season with an Achilles injury. As a sophomore in 2011, Wood played in 10 games and returned an interception 57 yards for a touchdown against Maryland.

"I like the way Lo Wood looked," Kelly said. "Obviously, competition at the cornerback position is always good for your team."

Another returning member of the secondary is senior safety Austin Collinsworth, who missed all of last season with a shoulder injury. Collinsworth played in all 26 games as a reserve through his first two seasons and provides versatility to the secondary.

"I think Collinsworth moved around very well," Kelly said. "He's a smart player and it's good to have a veteran player with a lot of smarts. He can play a number of positions for us."

Kelly stressed the importance of having depth and versatility in the secondary, something the team lacked last season hampering.

"You want to be able to play nickel and dime [coverages]," Kelly said. We couldn't even get into the dime last year. We couldn't put four potential corners on the field. It just opens up your defensive playbook a little bit more to match up."

### Carlisle impresses in crowded backfield

With the loss of running backs Cierre Wood and Theo Riddick to graduation, the rushing attack is an open competition. But junior Amir Carlisle, who missed last season with an ankle injury after transferring from USC, has impressed Kelly with his explosiveness.

"I think the guy of all the injured guys that stands out to me was Amir Carlisle," Kelly said. "He's got a gear. He's got a high level where he's really going to be able to help us."

Kelly said he could see Carlisle providing the Irish with versatility out of the backfield, much like Riddick did as both a rusher and a receiver.

"I definitely can see us playing Amir and another back at the same time because he has the ability to play," Kelly said. "He's a very good pass-catcher. He's got good ball skills. I can see us getting him the football in a number of different ways with another running back on the field."

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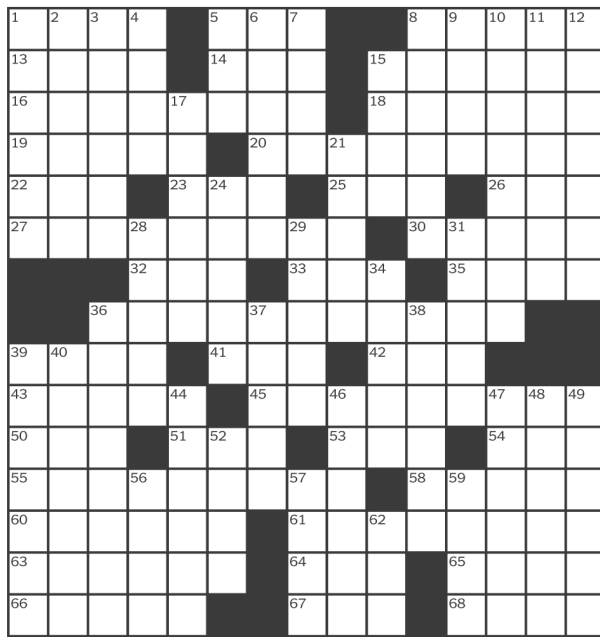
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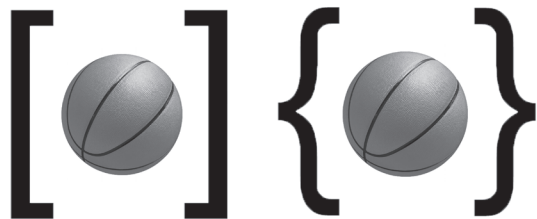


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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Sloane Stephens, 20; Holly Hunter, 55; Spike Lee, 56; William Hurt, 63.

**Happy Birthday:** You'll have perceptive insight into what's going on around you and how you can manipulate situations to suit your needs. Problems at home can be expected, but handling them swiftly will give you the upper hand, allowing you more time to pursue your personal goals. Anger won't work, but outmaneuvering will. Don't divulge secrets. Your numbers are 6, 10, 18, 27, 32, 41, 48.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Trouble surrounds you. Keep your thoughts to yourself and avoid discussing personal matters. A feud can make or break an important relationship. Work quietly on your own and you will make the most of your time. Steady progress will eventually pay off. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Emotions will lead to impulsiveness. Stay calm and put energy into helping a cause or exploring an idea you want to pursue. Look to partnerships for greater stability as well as equal contributions. Romance is apparent, but so are secret affairs. ★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Past colleagues and peers are likely to be charming but not trustworthy. Don't rely on second-hand information. Do your research and avoid making a mistake you'll regret. Avoid being predictable and you will avoid being taken for granted. ★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Visit people and places. Sharing thoughts, ideas and memories will ignite new beginnings that allow you to reuse past plans. Greater security will develop if you let your imaginative thoughts and ideas lead the way. Love is in the stars. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Embrace change even if you aren't completely in favor of what's happening. A chance to get an inside look at exciting new possibilities will clear your mind and eliminate mistakes. Be willing to take on additional responsibilities. ★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Don't ruin your chance of success by going overboard. Temper your desire to make changes at home or work. Time is on your side, and someone you least expect will offer you a favor. Rely on intuition and old friends and colleagues. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Push back if someone tries your patience. You may like to keep the peace, but being taken advantage of will not help your confidence. Explore new possibilities, but make sure they are reasonable before you proceed. ★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Rethink your strategy, look at your surroundings and find a way to make what you have work for you. An addition, new connection or a simple plan that allows you to engage in creative entertainment or functions should be your goal. ★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Think before you say something you'll regret. The truth will help you avoid criticism. An old partner or friend will come through for you in a time of need, but first you must be completely honest about your situation. ★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't feel pressured to make a move or a statement. Follow your heart and head in a direction that best suits you. Profits and advancement are heading your way. Added responsibilities will also raise your profile. ★★★

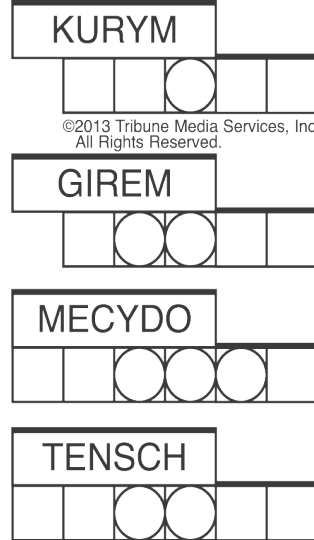
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## Saving the day

*Kemp leads Notre Dame to easy victory over Ohio State with 11 saves*

By GREG HADLEY  
Sports Writer

After playing four straight games decided by one goal, the No. 3 Irish were able to buck the trend and cruise to a surprisingly easy victory over No. 8 Ohio State, winning 9-4. For the first three quarters, the Irish (5-1) defense was outstanding against the Buckeyes' top-15 offense, allowing just one goal and only 13 shots.

They killed all but one penalty, forced 18 turnovers and cleared the ball consistently into the offensive zone. When the Buckeyes started to rally in the fourth quarter, scoring three goals, the Irish defense kept the pace under control and secured the win. All-American senior goalie John Kemp tied his season high with 11 saves.

"John Kemp was terrific today," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. "When he plays like that, we're awfully tough. I thought they

had some chances and he took them away ... [he] was right there when he needed to be. They generate very good shots most of the time." Corrigan gave credit to the Ohio State offense, but thought his team gained an advantage by playing a similar opponent over the weekend.

"[Ohio State] is a very good offensive team," Corrigan said. "They've been giving people fits all year. I think we really benefited from the fact that we played Denver on Saturday, [because] they're very similar in their styles. They're very unique to the rest of lacrosse ... but very similar to each other ... So we benefitted from playing a very good Denver team." Offensively, the Irish raced to an early 6-1 lead and added three more insurance goals in the fourth quarter as the Buckeyes tried to rally. Leading the charge was freshman attack Matt Kavanagh,

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Irish junior midfielder Jim Marlett looks for an open teammate during Notre Dame's 9-4 victory over the Buckeyes on Wednesday. The Irish are back in action Saturday against Rutgers.

### FOOTBALL

## Irish start spring ball

By MIKE MONACO  
Sports Editor

Wednesday morning marked the start of spring practice, but injuries are already on the mind of Irish coach Brian Kelly.

After the two-hour practice session, Kelly said Irish junior defensive end Stephon Tuitt is recovering from a sports hernia injury. Tuitt, who was riding a stationary bike during the 30 minutes of media availability at Wednesday's practice in Loftus Sports Center, is expected to return for the final two weeks of spring ball.

"He's already moving really well," Kelly said. "He feels so much better. He had some restriction in that groin, hip flexor area where he was really restricted in running out, so we said, 'You know what, let's get it done. Let's not wait on it.' And it's something that we may have managed, but we want to get him 100 percent."

Tuitt led the Irish with 12 sacks last season, but the



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Irish junior defensive end Stephon Tuitt stands on the sidelines during Notre Dame's first spring practice on Wednesday.

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### MEN'S TENNIS | USC 6, ND 1

## Trojans steal the show in singles

By PETER STEINER  
Sports Writer

Hosting its toughest opponent this season, No. 27 Notre Dame fell to No. 3 USC, 6-1. The Irish (10-7) forced four three-set singles matches against a Trojans' lineup filled with nationally ranked players, but only Irish junior Ryan Bandy won his match at No. 6 singles against Trojans sophomore Jonny Wang, 1-6, 6-3, 6-3.

"We competed hard with them," Bandy said. "Obviously, we didn't get the win today but we went out there and had three or four matches in singles that we were close to winning."

"We got one singles point on the board, which is something we are a little proud of. We just competed a lot better in singles and really played with a lot of heart out there."

The Irish were unable to match the Trojans' firepower in the doubles lineup and dropped the doubles point to begin the night. After losing matches at No. 2 and No. 3

doubles, 8-4 and 8-6, respectively, Notre Dame rebounded in the singles and took five total sets from USC (16-2).

"I think we started off a little slow in the doubles," Bandy said. "I mean we were obviously excited about the challenge but we really came out flat in doubles. They just kind of walked over us in doubles."

"In the break between doubles and singles, we knew we needed to step it up and change up the pace and really come out strong in singles with a lot of energy."

Besides Bandy's victory at No. 6 singles, the Irish gave USC its toughest matches at No. 1 and No. 4 singles. Playing against the second-ranked singles player in the nation, Irish junior Greg Andrews recovered from losing the first set, 6-7, to take a hard-fought second set, 6-3. But the junior ultimately lost to the third-set tiebreaker to Trojans junior Emilio Gomez at No. 1 singles.

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