

Sophomore Class Council hosts 'Jeopardy!' battle

Students are tested on an array of facts to prove who is the master of trivia at Notre Dame

By **KATIE McCARTY**
News Writer

The Sophomore Class Council (SCC) is hosting a three-day Jeopardy! tournament this week, and so far sophomore class president Jake Grefenstette said the competition has been tough.

"We were really impressed by the competitors' knowledge of ridiculous facts during the first round," Grefenstette said.

Sophomore Brittany Sanok, a member of the SCC education committee, said the SCC decided the host the event because of the committee's dedication to fostering academic involvement on campus.

"Two of SCC's most important goals are to engage students in

Notre Dame's academic and artistic culture and to foster conversation between students and professors," Sanok said. "As a team, SCC and the education committee decided to host a Jeopardy! tournament because it is a fun event that stimulates the mind and showcases some of the amazing intellectual talent of Notre Dame students."

Sanok said the semi-finals took place Tuesday, and the final rounds would take place Wednesday.

"We had a preliminary exam on March 5 and over 100 students showed up to take the exam," Sanok said. "Our plan was to take one person from each dorm [however, three

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Students compete in the three-day Jeopardy! event, hosted by the Sophomore Class Council. Three of the participants have advanced to the finals, to be held Wednesday.

SMC engages foreign speakers



Photo courtesy of Terra Cowham

A Saint Mary's professor assists a participant in the English Language School program, which aims to teach foreign speakers English.

By **RONI DARLING**
News Writer

The English Language School at Saint Mary's demonstrates the College's mission for student diversity by working to help students reach their educational goals for to English language learning or proficiency.

Terra Cowham, assistant director of the English Language School, said the program provides intensive English Language-instruction to non-native speakers, ranging from

beginner to advanced levels.

She said while the program mainly focuses on preparing students for higher education and life in the U.S., it also supports students who come for more personal goals.

"Some students want to work on gaining confidence in their speaking, reading and writing skills," Cowham said. "We have had many students whose spouses come for work, and they need a program that will help them gain

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Court rules on prof's case

Observer Staff Report

The Court of Appeals of Indiana ruled Friday that Notre Dame law professor Stephen Smith will not face a felony charge of domestic battery because the state failed to compile its case in time, according to a court memorandum and a March 25 article in the South Bend Tribune.

However, Smith will stand trial for a charge of misdemeanor battery and still faces two misdemeanor charges of violating a protective order, the report stated.

Both battery charges stemmed from the same 2011 incident in which Smith allegedly battered his wife and allegedly assaulted his adult son.

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Panel marries careerism and family

By **EMMA BORNE**
News Writer

Shades of Ebony hosted the Sister Jean Roundtable on "Different Paths: The Intersection of Career and Family," on Tuesday as part of Women's Week.

The group invited Iris Outlaw, Alyssia Coates and Christine Caron-Gebhardt to speak about

their experiences balancing career and family life as females.

Caron-Gebhardt, director of the Gender Relations Center, said there was one question that always scared her.

"I remember the one question that always came up was, 'Can a woman have it all? Can you have it all?'" Caron-Gebhardt said.

Outlaw, director of the Office of Multicultural Student Programs and Services, said at the beginning of her career, she was working a full-time job, going to school and trying to maintain her home, which was busy with a husband and two kids. She said it was hard, but she pursued what she felt was right in her heart.

Coates, who is the director of Office of Admissions Outreach and Engagement Recruiting, said sacrifices will have to be made, but that should not discourage women from pursuing all they want.

"You are going to make sacrifices. I can't say to you the choices that I've made aren't

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If you could domesticate any animal for a pet, what would you choose?

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sophomore
O'Neill Hall

"Tiger."



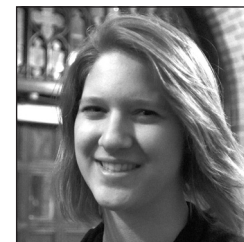
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"Penguin."



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Freshmen Barry Bryant and Cory Jbara sold bracelets in LaFortune Tuesday night as part of Freshman Class Council's fundraiser for the American Cancer Society for FCC's "Freshmen Reaching Out and Spreading Happiness" week.

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Wednesday

"The Death of God & the War on Terror"

Eck Visitors Center
5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Lecture by Terry Eagleton.

Wellness Wednesday

St. Liam Hall
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Tai Chi and Chai Tea.

Thursday

"Travails of the Irish Language"

Hesburgh Library
4 p.m.-6 p.m.
Lecture on history of the Irish language.

Zen Meditation

Coleman-Morse Center
5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
Open to all students and staff.

Friday

ND Relay for Life

Compton Family Ice Arena
6 p.m.-10 a.m.
Fundraiser for cancer research.

Men's Tennis

Eck Tennis Pavilion
3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
The Irish take on the Duke Blue Devils.

Saturday

Women's Basketball Regional Finals

Purcell Pavilion
12 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
The Irish host the NCAA regional finals.

Hawai'i Club Lu'au: He Mele No

Stepan Center
5 p.m.-8 p.m.
\$10 students, \$15 non-students

Sunday

Women's Tennis

Eck Tennis Pavilion
9 a.m.-11 a.m.
The Irish take on Wake Forest

Sunday Vespers Concert

Basilica of the Sacred Heart
7:15 p.m.
University Folk Choir

SMC nutritionist provides health advice

By KATHRYN MARSHALL
News Writer

Nutritionist Anna Wasierski has worked with students and their daily nutrition habits for more than 18 years at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. During appointments, students consistently ask about how to eat in the dining hall, Wasierski said.

"They're used to coming from mom and dad doing the majority of their cooking, [and] they're also coming from a full kitchen where they could eat when they want, how they want. ... Trying to come in to navigate the dining hall is a big challenge," Wasierski said.

In response, Wasierski said she looks at the student's schedule and personal preferences to develop a plan that fits the student's unique situation.

"A student walks in the door

and they're completely different from the student who was in before ... Everyone has goals, whether that's weight gain, weight loss, weight maintenance ... there's so many different factors that go into that, so I treat every student as an individual," Wasierski said.

When it comes to navigating the dining hall, Wasierski said she believes having a routine is ideal.

"I think it's really important for students to know your body thrives on routine," she said. "[Your body] needs you eating routinely throughout the day so that you're not like a gas tank out of gas and your car won't go. You do need something. Will your body keep moving [if you don't eat routinely]? Absolutely. Will it move efficiently? Probably not."

This routine includes the three main meals of the day,

as well as snacks. It's normal and healthy for a college student to snack at night within

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Anna Wasierski
nutritionist

a time frame, Wasierski said.

"I tell students [to] have a time frame of when you want to have snack ... Have a game plan going into it," she said. "I know a lot of students try not to keep any food in their

room just because they don't want to struggle, they don't want to have so many choices, but sometimes then they won't make the effort to go and get something, or they make the effort and it isn't the best choice."

While sugary cake and cookies may be a quick pick-me-up, Wasierski said they are merely quick fixes that could be replaced with better options. She said she encourages students to have healthy snack options available in their rooms.

"I always recommend that students have a well-stocked refrigerator as well as other items available. And in the refrigerator I encourage some protein-rich choices," she said. "Cheese sticks, yogurt ... deli meats are some great choices. Outside of the refrigerator having different kinds of whole grains, different kinds of granola bars or

cereals or crackers are great choices.

"It's not that you have to eat twigs and branches. Your food is supposed to taste good, it's supposed to be a pleasurable activity ... when your food tastes good, not only do you get physically satisfied from that, you get mentally satisfied from that."

She said by developing healthy eating habits as well as sleeping enough and drinking water students can take on the following day with a steady mind and handle stress better.

"What you put in your body fuels everything else in your life," she said.

Students can contact nutritionists from Saint Mary's and Notre Dame with any questions they may have concerning nutrition.

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Psychologist debunks myths of hypnosis

By SARAH MCCARTHY
News Writer

World-renowned clinical psychologist Dr. David Watson presented a lecture Tuesday about the history of hypnosis and the common characteristics of the hypnotic state.

Watson's lecture, sponsored by the Notre Dame Psychology Club, began with a detailed definition of what hypnosis is and what it is not.

"A lot of [hypnosis] is shrouded in mystery and controversy," Watson said. "There are a lot of misconceptions about hypnosis."

According to the Society for Psychological Hypnosis, hypnosis typically involves an introduction to the procedure during which the subject is told that suggestions for imaginative experiences will be presented, Watson said.

Suggestion is at the core of hypnosis and is used by hypnotists to encourage and

evaluate responses from subjects, he said.

"When using hypnosis, one person, the subject, is guided by another, the hypnotist, to respond to suggestions for changes in subjective experience, alterations in perception, sensation, emotion, thought, or behavior," Watson said. "If the subject

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Dr. David Watson
clinical psychologist

responds to hypnotic suggestions, it is generally inferred that hypnosis has been induced."

Watson said hypnosis also involves the processes of conformity and social influence.

"It's sort of a social interaction, a very structured situation, that is based on some sort of altered fantasy-based form of consciousness," he said.

Watson deflated several popular myths regarding hypnosis and its effect on subjects. He said a person cannot be hypnotized against his or her will, nor can hypnosis be used to improve memory or permanently forget things or people.

"These misconceptions all have a common theme, which is that hypnosis is seen as an incredibly powerful thing," he said. "It is powerful [but] it's probably not incredibly powerful."

Watson also offered insight into what he called the "weird, somewhat tortured history of hypnosis."

Hypnosis originated in the Middle Ages, where it

stemmed from hysteria in people who were thought to be possessed by demons,

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Watson said. In the 18th century, German physician Franz Anton Mesmer studied these instances of demonic possession and the subsequent exorcisms. Mesmer developed his own theory that was eventually debunked by a commission led by Benjamin Franklin, Watson said.

In the mid-19th century, Scottish scientist James Braid, who used hypnosis in therapy, coined the term "neuro-hypnotism" to describe his method.

"The original application of hypnosis in medicine was for use in surgery," Watson said. "This is still in our current day the most common use of hypnosis ... [for] the relief of pain."

Today, hypnosis can be used similar to meditation to give subjects a heightened, intense sensory experience and focused attention, he said.

Watson emphasized that the significance of hypnosis lies in the person who is being hypnotized.

"People think of hypnosis ... as somebody controlling somebody else," he said. "It's important to keep in mind the hypnotic subject is more important than the hypnotist."

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The Center for Spirituality regrets that SISTER DIANNA ORTIZ, OSU has had to cancel her scheduled March 29 talk. A video of a lecture by Ortiz on her work to end torture will be shown at 7:30 p.m.

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Professor discusses gender inequality in business

By CHARLIE DUCEY
News Writer

Notre Dame psychology professor Anne Venter broached the issue of gender inequality in investment careers during a talk Tuesday in the Mendoza College of Business. The talk was sponsored by the Smart Women Securities ND chapter, a new club modeled after an organization at Harvard that aims to develop skills in financing and investing.

Venter began his talk with an overview of his experience in the business world, which he said included nine years in human resources and management without much focus on investment banking.

"I have to begin with an intellectually honest statement. I know almost nothing about behavioral economics and even less about the psychology of investing," Venter said. "However, growing up as a white South

African in an extremely conservative and sexist society, I know a lot about sexism."

Acknowledging the degrees of institutionalized sexism in the workplace, Venter analyzed career prospects for women in business.

"As a social psychologist, I find that environments influence behavior even more than our own personalities do," Venter said. "Women have to be aware that the work environment is a male-dominated, patriarchal world where men are used to making the decisions."

In the field of investment banking, only 25 percent of positions are held by women, with about 11 percent in management and a mere 3 percent in the role of CEO. Discrepancies in pay are also prevalent, and Venter said women earn less directly after finishing MBA programs than equally-qualified men — as little as 79 cents to every dollar.

To make sense of this inequality, Venter cited 15 studies in which participants were given money to invest in testing people's aversions to risky and ambiguous investments.

"Testosterone levels are linked to irrational levels of exuberance in trading. When men lose, they lose big."

Anne Venter
professor of psychology

"In the most extreme case, men invested 80 percent of what they were given while women invested 48 percent," he said. "The tendency holds up across the board: men took greater

risks and women were more risk-averse. Women dealt with ambiguity better than men and invested more in uncertain stocks."

Despite the differences in risk-taking, Venter said women investors outperform their male counterparts by 2 to 3 percent, and the reason involves biology.

"Testosterone levels are linked to irrational levels of exuberance in trading," he said. "When men lose, they lose big."

"With only 10 percent of the testosterone of men, women are less emotionally attached to their trades and less likely to hold onto bad stocks. They tend to make less on the way up, but lose less on the way down."

Venter said this data could suggest a need for more women in the field of investing, even though fewer women are entering the sectors of finance and investment banking.

The male-domination of the field, Venter said, may have to

do with men being favored in the performance review process that determines raises and promotions.

"The tendency of male reviewers to provide other men with more help, guidance and mentoring creates an 'old boy's club' in which women have a more difficult time advancing," he said. "Women in advising roles just tend to be in less powerful positions than men."

Venter said women entering into careers in investment banking may be able to create change, but not without difficulties.

"When you're a junior analyst, [you're] thinking you're going to change the system when you enter. But, five years down the road, once you've been socialized into it, affecting change will be that much harder," he said.

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sacrifices," Coates said. "But you have to balance it with what's important to you."

"What is it that you really want to do and how do you want to express the call in your life to the rest of the world?"

Caron-Gebhardt said some of those sacrifices relate to her kids, because she is not always able to be as present as she wants to be, which

can lead to feelings of guilt. However, this journey requires women to be conscious of their hearts.

"You have to be compassionate with yourself because you're going to mess up," Caron-Gebhardt said. "But if you are compassionate with yourself and those around you, it can be a journey that is going to be happy."

Outlaw said women can balance feelings of guilt by realizing that they do not have to compartmentalize

each part of their lives.

Each of the women said they always try to involve their kids in their work life.

The panel agreed that the relationships women are surrounded by are of ultimate importance in achieving integration and balance.

"I needed to seek those relationships that were going to allow me to be who I was,"

Caron-Gebhardt said. "I have a sisterhood of women that are invaluable to me ... I've journeyed with these women, and these women have journeyed with me."

Coates said it's important to remember when pioneering personal experiences that there are women who have gone through similar experiences.

"When you're the first to do something ... it's very hard because there's nobody else in your group that can help foster what you need to know ... so it's the people that come around you, the other women, ... that speak words of wisdom to you," Coates said.

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"The state has alleged that Smith battered his wife on the evening in question while two of their sons were in the home," a court memorandum stated. "One of their sons was 10 years old, which elevated the charge to a D felony."

"The other son, Stephen, was an adult home from college for the summer. Stephen intervened when his mother was knocked to the ground and then Smith allegedly assaulted Stephen before Stephen, his mother and the child were able to escape to a neighbor's house and call police."

The state first filed the class D felony charge June 25, 2011. The trial was originally scheduled for Jan. 3, 2012 but rescheduled for April 27, 2012 "due to court congestion," the memorandum stated.

The trial was rescheduled two more times when St. Joseph Superior Court Judge Jerome Frese recused himself from the case and later when Smith's son Stephen, a material witness for the state, did not arrive for

the trial, according to the memorandum.

The state filed the additional charge of misdemeanor battery against Smith on Sept. 12, 2012, for the alleged assault of his son, the memorandum stated.

Smith sought the dismissal and discharge of both counts Dec. 21, 2012, under Criminal Rule 4(C), which "places an affirmative duty on the state to bring a defendant to trial within one year of being charged or arrested," according to the memorandum.

The Indiana Court of Appeals ruled that the state's time had expired for the battery charge but not the misdemeanor charge, which was filed later, the memorandum stated. Smith's trial for violating the protective order is scheduled in May, according to the South Bend Tribune.

Smith has no prior criminal history, according to Stan Wruble, Smith's attorney for the protective order cases, the South Bend Tribune stated.

The Observer was not able to reach Smith or Dan Myers, vice president and associate provost for faculty affairs, for comment.

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Professor affirms effects of Indian mascots

By **JACK ROONEY**
Associate News Editor

Stephanie Fryberg, a visiting professor of psychology at the University of Washington, presented her research Tuesday on the psychological effects of American Indian sports mascots, which affirmed these types of social representations depress the self-esteem of American Indian students.

Fryberg's lecture, titled "From Stereotyping to Invisibility: The Psychological Consequences of Using American Indian Mascots," highlighted several studies she and her colleagues have performed.

In the studies, Fryberg asked questions to American Indian high school and college students based on several popular representations of Native Americans, including Disney's Pocahontas and Chief Wahoo, the mascot of the Cleveland Indians.

Fryberg said the research did not begin with an examination of mascots, but the final product did reflect this focus.

"The first two studies, the question we asked was what is the impact of American Indian social representations on the self-esteem and community efficacy of American Indians," she said. "You notice, the question was not what is the effect of American Indian mascots, though that is how this work has commonly been used and by the time we got to the third or fourth study, it is how we then framed the research paper because it became much more central to the social issue."

After a close study of media portrayals of American Indians, Fryberg said representations were rare and largely negative in connotation.

"In a content analysis of national newspapers in 1997 and major films from 1999 to 2000, relatively few, 0.2 percent, of representations of American Indians were found," she said. "The representations that were there were largely stereotypic and negative, and American Indians were seldom presented as contemporary people or in contemporary domains."

To Fryberg and her colleagues' surprise, she said the study showed a greater likelihood of American Indians to approve of Native American mascots.

"Surprisingly for us, we found that those who agree with the use of Indians as mascots actually have less community worth," Fryberg said. "And this was particularly interesting to us because you'd like to think that if you agree with it, you must think it's good, but actually following the psychology literature, it turns out that when you disagree with the stereotype, there are psychological resources that buffer you from the effects of that image."

Fryberg said she and her team altered the study when they brought it to Haskell Indian Nations University.

"Going forward, we started to show this data and one of the issues that came up as we were showing the data is that Chief Wahoo is a caricature, and so maybe it would be different if we used a mascot that wasn't a caricature," she said.



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"And so for the last study, we were able to ask a number of questions because we went to the only four-year university that is a predominantly American Indian university, and it turns out they have an Indian mascot."

All of the studies, though, concluded that essentially any American Indian mascot representations harmed the self-esteem of American Indian students, Fryberg said.

"Consistent with the past two studies, it turns out that being exposed to any one of these mascots decreased achievement-related possible selves," she said. "So what it means is if they saw the Indian mascot, then any possible selves they had related to achievement in school were depressed."

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social language so that they can engage with the community around them."

Cowham said in spring 2013, the School's calendar changed from semester-long courses to four-week sessions, which are offered in the fall, spring and summer. This allows the program to have start dates every month as opposed to only in the fall or spring.

"Having four-week sessions also allows students to come for as many sessions as they would like," she said. "They could stay for a few months if they did not want to study the whole semester."

Cowham said the program now offers a more specialized summer program, with three sessions beginning May 12.

"We have continued to grow and help students along their educational journey," she said. "We have grown in our extracurricular activities and have added new elective classes."

Cowham said the current



Photo Courtesy of Terra Cowham

Participants in the English Language School take a break from their program to use their new language skills and chat with each other.

classes offered are Speaking and Listening, Reading, Grammar, Cultural Exploration and Service Learning, along with other intensive academic preparatory courses.

"Full-time students typically take five classes a day. The classes are approximately one-hour long, which equates

to five instructional hours per class per week," Cowham said. "Classes are offered from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday," Cowham said.

She said the program attracts students of all ages from all over the world.

"We have students who are studying here for their college program, some study here before their entrance into higher education, some are wives and mothers, and we have students who come for just a few classes," she said. "Our teachers care about each student as an individual."

"We welcome anyone who wants language support on their educational journey."

Cowham said because the program is small, the teachers are able to offer a great deal of individualized attention.

"We can work directly with student needs as well as offer a close-knit community of learning," she said.

In addition to benefitting students, Cowham said there are many ways the students' families in the School find fulfillment in the programs as well. With little to no English-speaking experience, the individuals who participate in the program gain a confidence in their English environments. Cowham said the program organizes cultural and

extracurricular activities for the participants, which is vital to learning a language and to building relationships with other students.

Director of the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership Elaine Meyer-Lee said the program is working to develop an opportunity for community members to host students coming from other countries.

"We now have a partnership with a women's college in Japan that was started by a Saint Marys' alumna called St. Agnes University," Meyer-Lee said.

Meyer-Lee said living with a family for the summer could be a beneficial opportunity for intercultural learning for both the international students and host families.

For more information about the English Language School or to volunteer to host a student, visit cwil.saintmarys.edu/els or call 574-284-4212.

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Jeopardy

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dorms did not send representatives] and we had three wild card spots.

"So, [Monday] for our first round of matches we had 30 contestants, [Tuesday in the semi-finals] we [had] nine contestants and on Wednesday [the finals] we will have three contestants."

The finalists are senior Brendan Moran of Duncan Hall, junior Rose Doerfler of

Cavanaugh Hall and junior Michael Temple of Sorin College.

Sanok said she expects a greater turnout in the audience for the finals than the other two rounds. She said she is excited to witness the climax of the competition and see all of the SCC's hard work come to fruition.

Doerfler said there were many hard questions in the semi-finals Tuesday, and there is an element of luck in getting every question correct.

"I didn't know the names of old rock and roll band members, but I knew the facts about the

Hoover Dam," Doerfler said. "It's a challenge because you never know what's going to come up."

"In the first round, we had a lot of geography questions, and in the semifinals, there wasn't any geography, but a whole category about James Bond actors."

Moran said he thinks the finals will be a highly contested match-up against one another.

"I'm hoping for really obscure categories, because I think it would be fun," Moran said. "I also want to do a true Daily Double. We'll see if I get the chance. All in all, I'm looking

forward to it."

Banok said sophomore Kyle Witzigman played a crucial role in the event's success. (Editor's note: Witzigman writes for the News section of The Observer).

"The real mastermind behind the whole event is Kyle Witzigman. He has dedicated an enormous amount of time and effort to this event and it would not be even close to possible without his expert guidance and meticulous agendas," Sanok said.

Grefenstette said the SCC has overall been impressed with the

number of people that have attended the tournament and already considers the tournament a success.

"An enormous amount of people signed up online for prelims, and we had some crowds during last night's round," Grefenstette said. "Some supporters even showed up with decorated signs."

Grefenstette, who will moderate the finals, said he looks forward to fulfilling his duties.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Behind a scar



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During the winter in 7th grade gym, we had a rotational program. We would switch between various indoor activities like volleyball, basketball or badminton. There were always the random events like circus skills where we pretended to be good at juggling and cup stacking, or yoga where everyone just laid on the ground until the bell rang to head back into the locker room.

The most desired sport of the entire rotation was archery. Lucky for me, I got it that year.

Class would begin by inspecting the bows to make sure they were in good shape and then selecting arrows for shooting. Our instructor was like a broken record when he would explain how if the arrow were damaged, it would not fly correctly, but heck, we didn't care. We just wanted to spend the next 40 minutes acting like Robin Hood.

One day, I grabbed all my equipment and went to my spot. The targets were lined up against the far end of the gym. Kevin, my oh-so-dreamy 7th-grade crush, was in the line next to me.

He shot — almost a bullseye. We all complimented him on his form.

I got up to shoot and wanted to make an impression. Naturally, I quickly grabbed a bow and got situated. As I was preparing to shoot, Kevin looked over to add in his 7th-grade archery expertise.

"Make sure you pull it back as much as you can. You'll need the speed. Do this and then make sure to do that immediately..."

I pulled back the bowstring to the most of my ability. My tremor was setting in and the arrow was shaking in my grasp with nerves. And then I let go.

Black.

Needless to say, I did not make the shot. It didn't even make it to the target.

The arrow I chose to shoot was broken and had snapped in half when I shot it. Amidst snapping, the front section hit my in the head and knocked me down. The back section stabbed me in the left hand between my thumb and pointer finger.

Now, if that's not how you make an impression, then I don't know what is.

When I opened my eyes, I yanked the arrow out of my hand in panic and ran off to the nurse. She cleaned me up and I sat out of archery for a while.

I still have a nice little white scar on my left hand that I laugh at when I see. It's a little reminder of my 7th-grade self that I get to laugh at here and there. And better yet, it is only one story of a scar among the many.

What's the story behind yours?

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Notre Dame, Inc.

Mark Gianfalla
Pledging Gamma Omicron Pi

A large amount of recent attention has been devoted to the comparison of universities to businesses, and the realigning of many universities' mission statements towards that of for-profit companies.

Notre Dame is a truly unique place where faith and academia meet to blossom into our home under the dome. Having heard Fr. Jenkins speak on many occasions, I believe he definitely appreciates how special a role Notre Dame plays in defining academic and religious standards on a global scale.

This being true, Notre Dame often shows signs of a Fortune 500 company with corporate speech replacing university jargon and bureaucracy reaching the height of religious hierarchy. At times, the golden dome seems like a Christmas present from some larger-than-life benefactor with the amount of red tape surrounding it, and the SAO-Student Affairs relationship would confuse even veteran politicians.

I read an article this week that compared students to customers, and teaching to customer service, but the problem this article attempted to point out with this philosophy actually missed the point that I think is often too present at universities like Notre Dame. A multi-million dollar operation like Notre Dame is sure to attract some corporate types, but unlike most

businesses, our University, like any university, relies on the presence of students.

Unlike replaceable "price-takers" that perfectly competitive markets are known for, students at a university undergo a rigorous selection process, and after being accepted and choosing to attend, I would beg to argue we deserve something in return for our efforts in class and the community. Unfortunately, I and others like me, have noticed many members of the administration and University departments refuse to even meet with students, and are more concerned with their bottom line than the line of diligent students that walk to class every morning and keep the University alive and thriving.

As the president of both a club and a residence hall, I have been denied meetings with senior University employees and have begun to accept that emails just won't be returned if the recipient is on the payroll and doesn't have me on their class roster or Rolodex.

As a "student leader" who is invited to fancy dinners every semester and events like TeamND, I and other club officers and campus life leaders contribute hours on end to the Notre Dame community, striving to leave it better than how we found it. I would say it is reasonable to expect the extensions of common courtesies such as meetings or even the return of emails.

Those involved in campus programming can attest to how

difficult it is to get approval for events because of the layers of approval and more frequently, disapproval, that lie in the way.

One of the major benefits Notre Dame possesses is its brand of a world-class education, a dedication to the Catholic faith and a desire to be leaders in research. That brand, however, does not have to suffer at the expense of student empowerment.

Some of the world's premier universities such as Princeton and Oxford have extremely independent student bodies that are given the ability to organize and program with little or no oversight. I'm not suggesting this completely libertarian form for Notre Dame, but I am advocating a more valued approach to the students that make Notre Dame a thriving, branded university, and not a research laboratory.

A university cannot exist without its students; our brand would strengthen with an increased acceptance of that mindset across all offices of the University.

I will, however, commend the efforts of those University administrators who hold office hours and are very accessible to students. That is how higher education thrives.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



A reflection on academic freedom

JC Sullivan

Prologue to a Farce

A recent Crimson column by Harvard senior Sandra Korn has stirred national controversy. Ms. Korn argues that universities should abandon academic freedom for a standard of academic justice. She concludes that “if we give up our obsessive reliance on the doctrine of academic freedom, we can consider more thoughtfully what is just.” I disagree with Ms. Korn’s claim and think Ms. Korn’s standard of academic justice actually debilitates a university’s ability to understand justice.

In order to ever arrive at an objectively valuable understanding of right and wrong in academia, this understanding must be subject to an array of disagreement and objection. In this way, the argumentative strength and reasoning of its conclusion can be tested and countered. Any conception of justice that can maintain its integrity following such scrutiny thus gains validity.

Yet, even if such a standard is met, this conception of justice still must be reconsidered with the discovery of new information or inquiry. In this way, a university functions as a constantly evolving exchange of ideas. Strong arguments that appear to move toward a more profound understanding of true knowledge are embraced

and those that do not are discarded.

This relationship between a university and justice reveals that in order to best pursue justice, a university must cultivate an environment of constant reevaluation and consideration of even fundamental understandings of right and wrong. In order to establish such an environment, there must be a standard of academic freedom. All ideas and arguments must be allowed and recognized. Without such freedom of exchange, erroneous ideas can exist without challenge and thus provide the basis for inappropriate conclusions. Further, it can prevent the genesis of reasonable ideas.

Before continuing, it is important to qualify that academic freedom can be open to constraint. Restrictions to academic freedom, like restrictions on free speech, are occasionally necessary to secure a safe and effective academic environment but should be, in the words of Fr. Jenkins, “reluctant and restrained.”

Academic justice, as described by Ms. Korn, seeks to restrict and suffocate the academic pursuit of justice and can even lead to a gross misunderstanding of what is truly right and wrong. When a university refuses to recognize ideas that fall outside of a standard of cultural norms or a subjective interpretation of justice, the totalitarian, 1984-esque implications of such a system are obvious.

J. K. Galbraith, a famed Harvard

economist, said “the conventional view serves to protect us from the painful job of thinking.” I would invite Ms. Korn to reflect on this and consider the detriments of her standard of academic justice. Disregarding or even disallowing dissenting ideas or arguments at an academic institution on the grounds of political correctness, popular opinion or misalignment with a subjective conception of justice has the ability to significantly debilitate a university’s capacity to understand justice because it does not subject conventional thinking to proper scrutiny and argument.

While I think it is easy to disagree with Ms. Korn in theory, I think it is valuable to reflect on our own individual commitment to the objective of academic freedom. In other words, does the way in which we engage in intellectual study reflect scrutiny and reevaluation in order to arrive at true knowledge? I think it is important to consider the basis of our own ideology and how it then relates to our own conception of justice.

To what length do we question our individual beliefs? Do we frame our support of such beliefs from objective study and consideration? Or do we seek information to support a previously assumed conclusion? Do these arguments come from internal consideration or are they replicas of external perspectives? Do we seek to understand and reflect on disagreeing

viewpoints or do we rely on second hand analysis of such arguments?

While we might externally scorn the dangers of academic study by some subjective set of ideals, how differently does this reflect the way by which we form our own beliefs? In theory we may disagree, but how is this disagreement manifest in our practice?

Environmental and even genetic factors play an almost insurmountable role in determining our beliefs and views. It is literally in our nature to accept a certain ideology without proper consideration or justification. While it is easy to critique Ms. Korn’s perspective, it is much more difficult to consider our tendency to shape our own views from a standard similar to “academic justice.” As the heirs to the intellectual future, we have a responsibility to work against these pervasive tendencies and force ourselves to challenge and properly form our beliefs. To answer and address the challenges our generation will face, we must constantly question, by a standard of reason and evidential support, the status quo of cultural and academic thought to discover truly just solutions.

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Jerusalem: Something old, something new

Jameson Ondrof

Around Europe in 120 Days

Once again, the annual rite of second semester has come and gone, and by all the photos on Facebook and stories I’ve heard, spring break 2014 was one for the books on both sides of the Atlantic. Mine was too, but for slightly different reasons.

Like most of the London program students, I headed to the Mediterranean, but with a slightly different destination in mind than Spain or Italy. I hopped on a flight to Tel Aviv in order to visit what is quickly becoming one of my favorite places in the world: Jerusalem.

Last summer, I was privileged to be a part of the Jerusalem Summer Program, in which a group of 17 Notre Dame students studied theology and the Palestinian-Israeli conflict while traveling around the Holy Land for six weeks. I initially signed up just to get my second theology requirement out of the way and had a bit of trepidation about the program and the area, but looking back on it eight months later, I realize I couldn’t imagine my college experience without that trip.

At the end of six weeks, our group came back with inside jokes, pseudo-memorials, nights full of great memories and a ridiculous amount of pictures. But above all, we returned

home with a connection to this place which is so full of natural beauty and incredible history, yet torn by continual violence and social strife. Over the rest of the summer and the fall semester, I found myself wanting to return, to be able to dig deeper into the Holy Land, in order to better understand a part of the world which, while inspiring, continues to baffle me overall.

Thus, while looking into spring break plans from London, I asked our program leader from the summer about getting to Jerusalem from London, and two months later found myself on an easyJet flight to Tel Aviv.

Words can hardly do justice to Jerusalem; indeed, books and volumes have been written on the subject, making it impossible for me to add to what has been written on King David’s city in this space. However, there are three aspects that continue to stick out in my mind as to why Jerusalem is a unique place well worth exploring.

First, Jerusalem is truly a meeting point of the East and West. In West Jerusalem, there are brand new shopping malls, gourmet restaurants and a nightlife scene that rival that of the best European cities. However, venture into the Old City and one is immediately immersed in the bustle of the souks and a maze of streets that would confuse Marco Polo. It’s incredible that these two diverse environments can coexist in the same city,

yet they do, and the result is a crossroads where a visitor can truly choose the sort of experience he or she wants.

Second is the religious aspect of Jerusalem, for no where else in the world is a city the focal point of three religions which account for the belief systems of half of humanity. Perhaps the best evidence of the religiosity of the place is the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, where Jesus’s site of crucifixion and tomb are traditionally placed and where six different Christian denominations claim partial control of the church. This naturally leads to chaos, with multiple services going on at all hours, and a strict status quo which has led to frequent brawls among the priests of the different sects. Tensions run high between the three faiths as well, the result being a city that feels as if it’s on a knife-edge between the three Abrahamic religions.

Finally, there is the social aspect of Jerusalem, revolving around the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. Many of my friends in London have made the trip to see the Berlin Wall which divided Communist from Capitalist during the Cold War. Well, I see their defunct barrier, and raise them an active wall, which effectively relegates an entire people to a second class status and existence. The presence of deep, mutual hatred in the so-called “Holy Land” is surreal and the

conflict it sprang from is as politically loaded and corrosive as any the world has ever known.

So Jerusalem at its core is a crossroads, and a place of religious and social conflict. All of which may make you wonder why I am so attracted to the place I’ve been twice in a year. The answer is simple: Jerusalem has taught me to be critical, think for myself and use conflicting evidence to draw my own conclusions. Yes, Jerusalem is a divisive place, but it forces the visitor to have an opinion on a variety of different subjects and have a reason for that opinion. The city makes the visitor open his or her eyes and engage with the world around him or her in a way I never had before and still can’t adequately explain.

Despite my two crazy and exhilarating, yet confusing, trips to Jerusalem, I do know one thing for certain.

Thanks Jerusalem, and JSP 2013, for changing me and making me a better thinker, person and citizen of the world.

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Think of a whole decade back to 2004, the year of the infamous Janet Jackson Super Bowl halftime, the year you couldn't even look up that infamous moment on YouTube — because YouTube didn't exist yet. One decade ago not only brought us that halftime show, but also the Cheetah Girls, "Mean Girls," "Lost" and — I'm almost positive — the best year of music in the 2000s. It's hard to say why 2004 proved to be such a magnificent year, but new artists releasing incredible debut albums, music videos not yet ruined by Vevo and interesting projects like CeeLo and Danger Mouse's "The Grey Album" taking off through web virility might have had something to do with it. Here are a just few examples of why 2004 was such a fantastic year for audiophiles.

First off, two bands released debut albums that took their genres by storm. In pop rock, 2004 saw the debut of The Killers with "Hot Fuss," named by Rolling Stone as one of the best debut albums of all time. The LP saw both critical and popular success, all while kick-starting a career for the Las Vegas-based group that would lead them to selling out stadiums and collaborating with Tim Burton in just a few years.

Indie-rock (that was still an okay thing to say in 2004) got another one of the greatest debut albums of all with Arcade Fire's "Funeral" in 2004. The album took the indie world by storm, and though Arcade Fire is now headlining music festivals and taking over SNL, they have never made (and likely will never make, with their steady decline apparent with each successive release) an album as good as "Funeral."

In the hip-hop world, two incredible

debut albums also blessed us with their release in 2004. "Madvillian," the first album by Madvillian (MF Doom and Madlib) was released in March, and while it received disappointingly little attention on the charts, was praised by critics and remains an incredible collaborative album in hip-hop. Fortunately, both artists are still making music, including Madlib's unbelievably good collaboration with Freddie Gibbs, "Piñata."

Also making waves in hip-hop in 2004 was a young Kanye West with his debut album "College Dropout." The album went triple platinum, got a remarkable 10 Grammy nominations and skyrocketed Kanye into fame and now, apparently, infamy. After six albums, Kanye has a wife, a baby and now 21 Grammys under his belt. It's clear that Kanye won the last 10 years.

Joanna Newsom, indie queen, talented harpist and now-wife of Andy Samberg

(who would have thought 10 years ago?) also released her debut studio album in 2004. "The Milk-Eyed Mender" stunned, appalled then won over audiences with Newsom's shrill vocals, harp arrangements and folky sound. She has released two more impressive and totally unique albums since, but none that quite matches the wildly successful "The Milk-Eyed Mender."

These are just a handful of the artists who put out albums in 2004, and only the debuts at that. Without even mentioning impressive sophomore attempts that took the year by storm, like TV on the Radio, Iron & Wine or Feist, it's evident that something was in the water 10 years ago that made 2004 so musically privileged. Whatever it was one decade ago, I'm thankful.

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Tokyo Police Club smashed into the Canadian indie alternative post punk scene in 2006 with "A Lesson in Crime," a brief but excellent 16 minutes and 23 seconds of tight, harmonious indie rock that was incredibly fun and better put-together than albums from bands decades old.

Since this breakout EP, the rockers have continued down their powerful track, with 2008's awesome debut full-length "Elephant Shell" and 2010's above-average "Champ."

"Forcefield," released Tuesday, is bursting with a different sort of energy. In the four years since "Champ," many trends have come and gone in the music scene. Most notably, there has been a large shift toward an embracement of electronic sound, synthesizers and other quirky sounds. Tokyo Police Club, however, has stayed the course with this album, producing a noticeably more mature sound while retaining the rock elements that made them special.

The album opens up with the excellent "Argentina I, II, III," a song suite just over

eight-and-a-half minutes long with three interlocking parts that shows off everything the band has to offer, from lighthearted, bouncy pop riffs to slower, melodic fallouts. It's also the first song the band has ever done that is more than four minutes long, and on its own is almost 30 percent of the whole album. On its own, this track is an incredibly special piece that shows off everything great about Tokyo Police Club — from the wonderful lyrics such as "If I was a lighthouse / I would look all over the place / If I was an — / Thank you for keeping a smile on your face," to the rocking Weezer-esque riffs and lead singer David Monks' rarefied vocals. More importantly, the concept and daring of such a varied and unique song shows how far Tokyo Police Club has come in such a short time.

The problem with such an explosive, exciting opening song, however, is that in the context of the album as a whole, from here there is nowhere to go but down. As entertaining as everything else is, the band struggles to recapture the diversity and frenzied energy of such a masterpiece. "Miserable," for instance, is a playful, energetic ditty that contrasts with the gloomy title, though

most of the song feels like wasted space as a prep for the chorus. A song really should not seem this way, especially when it only hovers around the three minute mark.

Maybe I'm just judging everything relative to "Argentina I, II, III" though. There are still some solid tracks on this album. For instance, the lead single "Hot Tonight" is a charming summer anthem that only a band like Tokyo Police Club could get away with. If some corporate squeaky-clean boy band threw this song at you, you would hate it and that would totally be fine.

"Argentina I, II, III" set up "Forcefield" to be an amazing breakthrough album for Tokyo Police Club that would thrust them deep into the limelight, but it turned out to be an exception rather than a new rule for the group. While this is somewhat disappointing, "Forcefield" is still a fun album. As more and more indie bands "revolutionize" the music scene with some shoddy synthesized beats, Tokyo Police Club has stayed true to the rock basis that made them special, which is a breath of fresh air for 2014. The question still remains, however, if there is still a place for indie rock bands like Tokyo Police Club down the road

with the recent trend toward electric noise. Truthfully, I don't know the answer to this. "Forcefield" is fun right now, but anything could happen that changes the way we view music, especially with the continual rise of bands through the Internet.

However, I do know that "Forcefield" is overall a genuinely good album that fans of Tokyo Police Club should definitely buy if only for "Argentina I, II, III." Even if you are not a fan, I definitely recommend streaming the album at some point — even if simply for the sake of fun.

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"Forcefield"

Tokyo Police Club

Label: Mom + Pop

Tracks: "Argentina I, II, III"

If you like: Two Door Cinema Club, Passion Pit





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The Internet exploded Friday afternoon with equal parts controversy and excitement when Vogue released its April cover, featuring tabloid fixtures Kim Kardashian and Kanye West. The Annie Leibovitz-shot cover depicts the reality star in a stunning gray Lanvin wedding dress, lovingly embraced by the rapper, who is wearing a Yves Saint Laurent blazer. The cringe-worthy hashtag on the cover — #WorldsMostTalkedAboutCouple — was affirmed by the online reception to the cover, as commenters decried Vogue’s decision and vowed to cancel their subscriptions.

The couple has long lusted after a Vogue cover, with West defending his then-fiancé in an interview with Ryan Seacrest in October 2013: “There’s no way Kim Kardashian shouldn’t be on the cover of Vogue right now. She’s like the most intriguing woman right now.” In the past, Vogue editor-in-chief Anna Wintour

had allegedly refused to ever feature Kardashian in the magazine and famously banned her from the 2012 Met Ball. Yet in her editor’s letter, Wintour defended the decision to feature West and Kardashian, explaining: “Part of the pleasure of editing Vogue, one that lies in a long tradition of this magazine, is being able to feature those who define the culture at any given moment, who stir things up, whose presence in the world shapes the way it looks and influences the way we see it.”

While detractors rush to decry West and Kardashian as “undeserving” of a Vogue cover, it’s not a question of whether or not the couple is deserving. At the end of the day a magazine cover is a business decision, driving sales at a time when print media is on the decline. Wintour has certainly proven herself as a savvy businesswoman in her time at the helm of Vogue, and regardless of your personal feelings about the couple, their influence on American mass culture in the year 2014 is undeniable.

More importantly, the Vogue cover is

symbolic. West has spent the better part of the past year giving interviews railing against the classist and elitist mechanisms he has faced in the fashion industry. There still exists a tendency to cling to antiquated notions of what is considered “high art.” The truth is that rap music and reality television are legitimate forms of entertainment that have dominated the cultural conversation of the 21st century. West and Kardashian use their platform to obliterate these divisions between high and low culture. “It’s really interesting that we’re on the front lines of a few different concepts at the same time,” he explained in the cover story. “You’ve got the interracial thing; you have mega-media and mega-art crash; you have, you know, the Vogue-and-reality show combination.”

Furthermore, West and Kardashian regularly receive a disproportionately unwarranted amount of hate. It’s unfortunate that even in 2014, an interracial couple on the cover of Vogue is still such a big deal, but the couple is met with the rampant racism that persists in the fashion world. So much

of the contempt directed at Kardashian is slut-shaming stemming from a sex tape created more than a decade ago, even though she has built a multimillion-dollar empire in the years since. It is also rare to see a woman with curves represented in high fashion, and Kardashian’s image stands as a contrast to the impossibly thin standard usually showcased in Vogue.

West and Kardashian’s Vogue cover recognizes the importance of their unapologetic confidence. As writer Ayesha Siddiqi perfectly tweeted, “no two pop culture figures expose our cultural anxieties about women, black men and who we allow self esteem & to what degree, [more] than Kimye.” It is an affirmation of their relevance to art, fashion and mass media, despite the elitist criticism they constantly receive. While a single Vogue cover does not solve all of high fashion’s representation issues, it is a refreshing and necessary start.

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It’s 40 degrees outside, and you know what that means: it’s time to trade your Snuggie in for a swimsuit. During the winter, everyone dreams about basking in the summer sun. It seems so far away, though, that we don’t worry about downing that extra mug of hot chocolate.

So maybe we’ve pulled a polar bear and packed on a few pounds during the winter. It’s okay – we needed those bites of lasagna to insulate us from the biting wind. Now that the sun has come out, though, it’s time to shed our layers and winter weight.

Some students find it challenging to eat healthy dinners in the unlimited dining hall. For them, the sun is not just a source of vitamin D; it is also a source of anxiety. However, students need not fear the warmer months and shorter shorts. There are plenty of healthy and delicious options at the dining hall just waiting to

be discovered.

Option No. 1: the grilled chicken quesadilla.

Instead of using a taco shell, find a whole-wheat wrap or pita pocket at the deli station. Then, salsa over to the salsa at the Mexican station and fill your pocket with grilled chicken, lettuce and chopped tomatoes. Next, sprinkle some shredded mozzarella or cheddar on your creation before you stick it in the Panini press for a few minutes. When it’s done, squeeze the juice from a lemon or lime slice over your freshly finished quesadilla to add a zesty zing.

Option No. 2: chicken parm.

Even though the chicken from the grilled meat section is slightly overcooked, covering it with tomato sauce from the pasta section will mask and moisten the dryness. To balance out your meal, add one scoop of wheat pasta, a few heads of broccoli and a sprinkle of Parmesan. If you want something sweet on the side, opt for a bowl of apple slices; the natural

sugar will contrast well with the saltiness of the cheese.

Option No. 3: the rice, veggie and bean bowl.

This is a great option for vegetarians or those looking to limit their meat consumption. First, snag a blue bowl from the stir-fry line and head to the home-style section for brown rice. If today is your unlucky day, they may not be serving brown rice, and you may need to use rice from the Asian section. If they are only serving white rice, feel free to use quinoa from the pasta line instead. Then, head to the salad bar and scoop some red, black or brown beans into your bowl. Lastly, add as many steamed or salad-bar veggies as you’d like. It’s the one food group that you are encouraged to overdo.

These three meals are healthy and filling because they have a balance of complex carbohydrates, lean protein, and vegetables. If you aren’t eating yogurt or adding milk to your cereal in the morning, you may want to have a glass of skim

milk with your dinner. If you tend to get hungry in the evenings, feel free to bring a piece of fruit out of the dining hall to snack on later.

One final note: even if you are trying to slim down for the summer, do not drastically limit your eating or cut out food groups entirely. Eating less than 1,200 calories a day can have a long-term detrimental effect on your metabolism and can cause you to binge eat. Cutting out food groups may stop your body from getting adequate amounts of protein, carbohydrates or healthy fat, which you need to be a full and functional human being.

You do not need to go on a dining detox to get ready for the summer. It is not a natural or enjoyable way to fuel your body and brain. You will be healthier and happier if you use these three meals to guide you when you create your own balanced dinners at the dining hall.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Truth behind Cuban's comments



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Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban likes to talk about a lot of things, and most recently he was talking about pigs.

According to ESPN.com, Cuban likened the NFL to greedy hogs during a pregame conference with reporters Sunday.

"I think the NFL is 10 years away from an implosion," Cuban said. "I'm just telling you, pigs get fat, hogs get slaughtered. And they're getting hoggy. Just watch. Pigs get fat, hogs get slaughtered. When you try to take it too far, people turn the other way."

Looking at the NFL empire as it stands today makes Cuban's scenario hard to imagine. For the NFL to implode, Americans would have to stop watching, and there are few things that seem more unlikely.

The 2014 Super Bowl was the most-watched television event in U.S. history, with 111.5 million viewers, and a single 30-second ad spot during the game cost around four million dollars.

Americans watch football, and they seem poised to keep watching. So what exactly could turn people away?

According to Cuban, the NFL will run into problems beginning with the league's new television deals. The NFL expanded its agreements with CBS and the NFL Network in February to continue broadcasting games on Thursday nights, and to Cuban, the decision was poor from a business standpoint, no matter how much money it will rake in.

Cuban questioned the decision, telling reporters and ESPN.com, "They're trying to take over every night of TV." With that kind of strategy, Cuban argued, the NFL will stretch itself too thin and start to lose viewership to other big-time events: "It's all football. At some point, the people get sick of it."

Cuban might be on to something here. Although the NFL's broadcasting expansion probably won't cause too many Americans to stop watching

football altogether, it might not be that good for the NFL.

One of the big draws of football for Americans is the compactness of the season. A person — even an extraordinarily busy person — could conceivably watch every single one of his or her favorite team's games. That is pretty near impossible for a person to achieve during a 162-game baseball season, and even basketball and hockey make it difficult for fans to watch every game for their hometown teams.

Football achieves high ratings in large part because viewership is concentrated to a few days out of the week. Some people devote their entire Sundays to watching NFL games, and that kind of couch potato behavior is O.K. — because it's one day out of the week.

Something that happens so rarely is a special event, and that is part of why people tune in. With football, you can't say, "I'll just watch tomorrow's games when I'm less busy" because, most days, there are no games the next day.

And it should stay that way. Whether or not Cuban's predictions are far-fetched or a real foreshadowing of things to come, the NFL should not expand past broadcasting three days a week. Returning to the two-day model might not even be a bad idea, especially since many teams dislike how the Thursday games disrupt their schedules.

The NFL might not be on the verge of collapse, but empires can and do fall, and Cuban's business acumen is difficult to ignore. At the very least, the NFL should exercise caution in its business dealings and remember that it is not an invincible organization.

As Cuban told reporters, greed does not always pay: "I'm just telling you, when you've got a good thing and you get greedy, it always, always, always, always, always turns on you. That's rule number one of business."

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TRACK & FIELD

Pistorius expected to testify at own trial

Associated Press

Oscar Pistorius will probably testify at his trial later this week, a defense attorney said Tuesday after prosecutors rested their case against the double-amputee runner who is accused of murder in his girlfriend's death.

In a rare public comment, Pistorius said he was going through "a tough time" as the case advanced.

"We've got a lot ahead of us," he told reporters after the court adjourned.

Defense lawyer Brian Webber said Pistorius is "likely" to take the stand to open the defense case.

"I don't think we have a choice. It's a question of when," Webber said of Pistorius' testimony, which legal experts describe as critical because the judge will have a chance to assess firsthand whether he is credible. The case will be decided by Judge Thokozile Masipa with help from two assessors. South African courts do not have a jury system.

After the prosecution rested, defense lawyer Barry Roux asked for time to consult some of the 107 state witnesses who had not testified against Pistorius, who admits shooting Reeva Steenkamp through the closed door of a toilet cubicle last year.

Masipa adjourned the trial until Friday so Roux could prepare his arguments that Pistorius killed the 29-year-old model by accident, thinking she was an intruder in his home.

Pistorius has sometimes reacted emotionally in the courtroom. He shed tears this week during testimony about text messages that he and Steenkamp exchanged in the weeks before her death on Feb. 14, 2013. In earlier testimony, he retched and vomited at a pathologist's description of Steenkamp's gunshot wounds. At other times, he has appeared calm, taking notes during testimony and conferring with his lawyers during breaks.

The 27-year-old Olympian once basked in global publicity stemming from his achievements on the track but became an almost silent, somewhat cryptic figure after Steenkamp's death, his account only outlined in legal statements that were carefully tailored by his high-powered legal team.

Earlier Tuesday, Roux sought to show that Pistorius had a loving relationship with his girlfriend, referring to telephone messages in which they exchanged warm compliments and said they missed each other.

The testimony contrasted with several messages read in court

a day earlier in which Pistorius and Steenkamp argued, part of the prosecution's effort to demonstrate that the athlete killed his girlfriend after an intense disagreement. In those messages, Steenkamp told the runner that she was sometimes scared by his behavior, which included jealous outbursts in front of other people.

Roux noted that the tense messages amounted to a tiny fraction of the roughly 1,700 texts that police Capt. Francois Moller, a cellphone expert, extracted from the couple's mobile devices. Roux noted a Jan. 19 exchange in which Reeva sent Pistorius a photo of herself in a hoodie and making a kissing face and asked, "You like it?"

"I love it," Pistorius said, according to the message.

"So warm," Steenkamp responded.

Roux was also granted permission to show video broadcast by Sky News that showed Pistorius and Steenkamp kissing in a convenience store.

Chief prosecutor Gerrie Nel questioned the relevance of the store video, saying he could ask for a courtroom viewing of another video, also broadcast by Sky News, which shows Pistorius at a gun range, firing a shotgun and using a pistol to shoot a watermelon, which bursts on impact.

NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Connecticut women roll

Associated Press

Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis had the third triple-double in UConn history as the Huskies moved into their 21st straight NCAA regional semifinal with a 91-52 rout of Saint Joseph's on Tuesday night.

Mosqueda-Lewis had 20 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists, to lead five players in double figures for the top-ranked Huskies (36-0), who won their 42nd straight game.

Breanna Stewart added 21 points and 11 rebounds, and Bria Hartley also chipped in 20 points for the defending national champions, who are trying to win a record ninth NCAA tournament.

Erin Shields and Sarah Fairbanks each had 12 points to lead Saint Joseph's which finished the year at 23-10. Natasha Cloud had 10 and six assists for the Hawks.

UConn will face 12th-seeded BYU in Lincoln, Nebraska on Saturday. The Cougars upset Nebraska in the second round, sparing the Huskies a date with the Cornhuskers on their home court.

Mosqueda-Lewis connected on eight of her 14 shots, and was 3 of 5 from 3-point range.

Stefanie Dolson added 17 points and six rebounds. She had UConn's other triple-double this season, scoring 26 points, grabbing

13 rebounds and dishing out 11 assists in a win over Oregon in November.

Dolson scored off the opening tip and UConn never trailed. A pair of 3-pointers from Jefferson and Mosqueda-Lewis made it 8-0 and forced coach Cindy Griffin to use her first timeout less than two minutes into the game.

Fairbanks ended the opening 10-0 UConn run with a layup to get the Hawks on the board.

The Huskies hit five of their first six shots from behind the arc. Moriah Jefferson gave the Huskies their first 20-point lead at 36-16 with an old-fashioned 3-point play on a drive to the basket.

The Huskies led 5-26 at halftime, and Mosqueda-Lewis (13), Dolson (11) and Stewart (11) were already in double figures.

Hartley jointed them less than two minutes into the second half, hitting a 3-pointer that was part of a 10-0 UConn run. Jefferson finished with 11.

The Huskies shot 56 percent from the floor, and held Saint Joe's to 35 percent.

It was the ninth time this season that UConn has put five players into double figures.

It was the 12th time Stewart has reached double figures in points and rebounds. She also recorded her 100th block of the season.

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MLB

Sizemore hits two-run homer, Boston beats Rays

Associated Press

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Grady Sizemore bolstered his bid to become Boston's new starting center fielder, hitting a two-run homer as the Red Sox defeated the Tampa Bay Rays 4-2 on Tuesday.

Sizemore signed a one-year, \$750,000 contract loaded with incentives during the off-season. Despite injuries that have kept him from playing in the majors since Sept. 22, 2011, Sizemore has had an excellent spring, batting .303 in 33 at-bats and scoring five runs.

"Honestly, I'm just looking at the next day and not looking too far ahead — you can't get too far ahead," the 31-year-old Sizemore said.

"I'm happy with how everything has gone ... and didn't expect to feel this good or comfortable so soon. I'm happy with that aspect," the three-time All-Star with Cleveland said.

"We're all perfectionists, so I want to play better each day like everyone else," he said.

Sizemore is competing for the starter role with top prospect Jackie Bradley, Jr., who has struggled this spring, batting just .173 with five RBIs and 16 strikeouts. Bradley was 0 for 4 Tuesday batting ninth and playing right field.

Red Sox manager John Farrell said he expects to take the rest of the week to have internal discussions and make the call between Bradley and Sizemore. Farrell adds that the team is unlikely to carry both Sizemore and Bradley.

"There's still a lot of discussion on who our starting

center fielder will be," Farrell said. "We're looking at these next three days as a physical test. Grady has responded to the plan we put forth, but we still have much to discuss."

Bradley, a 23-year-old rookie, was considered the front-runner entering camp. But Sizemore, who hasn't played in more than 100 games since 2009, has had an excellent camp and put him ahead despite durability questions.

Sizemore's workload has increased in the past week, with the Red Sox having him play in five of their last six games.

"Everything's been positive that I've done so far — body's felt good, just keep building off that and put consecutive days together," Sizemore said. "Still need to swing at good balls because I'm going out of the zone still, but I do feel like I can start the regular season."

Will Middlebrooks also hit a solo homer as the defending World Series champions won for just the ninth time in 24 games this spring.

Wil Myers and Jose Molina both drove in runs for the Rays, who are still a Grapefruit League best 15-6-3.

Starting Time

Rays: In his first outing since being chosen the team's fifth starting pitcher, Jake Odorizzi gave up three earned runs on four hits, including a home run, walked two and struck out five over five-plus innings. He threw 92 pitches, 58 for strikes.

Red Sox: Clay Buchholz gave up two runs in six innings, allowing three hits, two walks and striking out five over 84

pitches.

"It was good up until the sixth inning," he said. "I'm comfortable with the pitches because there's more movement on them, especially the two-seamer. You've got to let the ball work for you."

Bedard Released

Tampa Bay released veteran pitcher Erik Bedard, just days after he lost out in a three-way competition for the Rays' fifth starter spot with Odorizzi and Cesar Ramos. Tampa Bay will use Ramos for long relief.

Bedard had a 6.88 ERA over 17 innings with 13 strikeouts and two walks this spring. He had an opt-out clause in his minor league deal, and can now sign with any team.

"That does not preclude the potential for him to come back to us at some point," Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "I would like to believe that if it doesn't work out, based on our relationship that we built, that he would want to come back to us, because we would really like to have him back."

"I'm hoping he gets another job on the major league level, but if not, that he would come back to us would be great," he said.

Roster Moves

Rays: Maddon announced outfielder Brandon Guyer made the opening day roster. The bullpen has not been finalized, with Josh Lueke and Brandon Gomes still in the mix. Prior to the game, Maddon told pitcher Mark Lowe and infielders Jayson Nix and Wilson Betemit they did not make the team.

NBA

Heat set sights on Indianapolis

Associated Press

MIAMI — Heat forward Chris Bosh has a confession: Games at this time of year simply mean more to him than games in December.

Not exactly shocking, of course.

But when so much hubbub surrounded the last game between Miami and Indiana way back on Dec. 18, Bosh wasn't necessarily buying into the supposed significance. After all, he figured, the season was basically only one-third over at that point.

The Heat and Pacers finally play again on Wednesday. And this time, Bosh knows the buzz is real.

"I know everybody's trying to make the games important back in December," Bosh said. "Well, now they're important."

The Eastern Conference race won't be decided on Wednesday night, but the pendulum is either going to swing toward Indiana moving considerably closer to the No. 1 seed or back toward the Heat and a chaotic, potentially down-to-the-wire finish. If the Pacers — who have been alone atop the East standings since Nov. 4 — win, they would move three games clear of Miami in the East race. If the Heat prevail, the teams will be tied in the loss column.

And given that these teams don't like each other, plus have faced each other in extremely hard-fought

series in each of the past two postseasons, this probably won't seem like just another regular-season game.

"Everybody's getting what they want," Bosh said.

Neither team is exactly rolling into this matchup. Both teams have lost seven of their last 12 games, meaning the Heat have missed plenty of chances to grab the No. 1 spot, and the Pacers have missed plenty of chances to wrap up home-court throughout the East playoffs.

"We're just not clicking," Pacers center Roy Hibbert said after his team lost at Chicago on Monday night. "And we should be clicking."

The Heat beat Portland on Monday — squandering a 17-point lead in the fourth quarter before doing so — but that snapped a highly befuddling streak of missed Miami opportunities.

Before Monday, the Pacers had lost six games in March. And every time, the Heat either lost on the same night or in their next game, meaning a half-dozen chances to tighten up the East race were squandered.

"As many chances as we had, we kept playing with it, we were struggling, they were struggling, we had our chances," Bosh said. "We still have our chance with two showdowns with them."

True, Wednesday's isn't even the last Heat-Pacers meeting of this regular season. The teams square off in Miami on April 11.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish take home court against Golden Eagles

Observer Staff Report

Coming off of a weekend that featured losses to two top-10 teams in No. 6 Virginia and No. 10 North Carolina, No. 22 Notre Dame looks to bounce back in Wednesday's match against Marquette at Eck Tennis Pavilion.

This is the first time the Irish (8-8, 2-6 ACC) and the Golden Eagles (8-6, 0-0 Big East) meet this season, as the Eagles look to extend their two-match winning streak and the Irish look to snap their two-match losing streak.

The Golden Eagles have won both of their previous matches against IUPUI and Illinois State on Friday by convincing scores of 7-0 each, in no small part thanks to the performance of several strong doubles teams.

Senior Rocio Diaz and sophomore Erin Gebes, the Golden Eagles' No. 1 doubles team, picked up an 8-1 victory Friday against IUPUI's Abbey Neff and Julie Brockman, while fellow Golden Eagle pairing of junior Ana Pimienta and sophomore Aina Hernandez Soler posted an 8-3 victory as the No. 2 doubles team.

Elsewhere in singles competition, a multitude of

strong performances bolstered the Golden Eagles over the weekend.

Junior Ana Pimienta won both of her singles matches over the weekend by a count of 6-2, 2-6, 10-6 in the first match followed by an easier second match of 6-0, 6-2. Gebes also performed well in singles over the weekend, winning 6-0, 6-0 in her first match followed by a victory of 6-1, 6-1 in the second.

For the Irish, sophomore Quinn Gleason was the only player to come away with a singles victory against the Tar Heels on Sunday. Gleason won her match against freshman Hayley Carter, a top-10-ranked singles player, in straight sets by a count of 6-4, 6-4.

Elsewhere, Irish senior Jennifer Kellner took her match against North Carolina junior Caroline Price to the limit, dropping in straight sets by a count of 7-6, 7-6 (7-5). Fellow Irish senior Britney Sanders also performed well in a losing effort, battling against Tar Heel freshman Jamie Loeb, No. 1-ranked singles player in the country, by a score of 6-3, 7-5.

The Irish take on the Golden Eagles on Wednesday at Eck Tennis Pavilion. Match time is set to begin at 3:30 p.m.



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Senior Britney Sanders hits a wide forehand in her doubles match against Georgia Tech on Feb. 21. Sanders and doubles partner sophomore Quinn Gleason fell 3-6, 6-3, 7-5 to their opponents.

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles look for seventh straight win

By JOSH DULANY
Sports Writer

Riding a six-game win streak, the Belles head to Manchester on Wednesday looking to stay hot against a Spartans squad that comes in having dropped four straight contests.

Belles coach Kelli Zache attributes her team's successful run to increased mental toughness.

"Our composure has really gotten better," Zache said. "Over spring break, I think we got in some tough spots, and we folded, but we've gotten much more confident, and our composure has really improved."

On the field, Zache said she hopes senior pitcher Callie Selner's stellar season continues against Manchester (3-9, 0-0 HCAC). Selner earned her fifth win of the season over the weekend and boasts a 1.98 season ERA to go along with her 51 strikeouts.

Selner has found success at the plate this season, as

well. Her .448 batting average leads the team, and she had four hits in a doubleheader Sunday against Dominican, three of which were doubles.

Zache said the Belles (8-4, 0-0 MIAA) also expect continued production from the sophomore duo of second baseman Angela Dainelli and first baseman Jillian Busfield. Dainelli collected three hits, scored two runs and tallied one RBI in the doubleheader. Meanwhile, Busfield is one of just three players to start every single game for the Belles, and her eight RBI lead the team.

Away from the batter's box, Zache said she emphasizes a fundamental approach to help Saint Mary's stay on-track during its winning streak.

"We've just got to keep working on basics, particularly on defense," Zache said. "We've got a really young defense — we're starting a freshman shortstop [Caitlyn Migawa], and our team is full of

sophomores."

In the opposing dugout, the Spartans will play at home for the first time this season. They enter the matchup on a skid that has seen them allow 33 runs in just four games.

Manchester will send out junior pitcher Ashlea Nash, who carries a 7.88 ERA and a 2-6 record.

Even though the Spartans are struggling, Zache insists her team will be focused.

"We just have to come in like we did Sunday and not take anyone lightly," Zache said. "We have to work hard and, every at bat, make adjustments and just try to make a solid connection. If we do that, we'll compete very well."

The Belles and Spartans hit the diamond Wednesday at the Manchester softball field in North Manchester, Ind., with first pitch at 3:30 p.m.

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Senior pitcher Callie Selner winds up for a pitch in the Belles' 5-1 win over Defiance on March 2. Selner has a 1.98 ERA so far this season.

Football

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a knowledge of what's going on. ... It's really useful, and I definitely got a lot better from it."

With his iPad, Zaire can zip through mental reps, something he learned the importance of during his redshirt year as a freshman. But it took time for Zaire to understand the significance of these mental reps after enrolling early for the spring semester in 2013, turning in a strong performance in the spring game yet still not seeing the field when the season rolled around.

"It was definitely a difficult experience in terms of maturity," Zaire said of his redshirt year. "I wasn't expecting to just come in and just be the guy from Day One in terms of taking all the reps and everything. And being in a position I was where I didn't really know until late into the season how it was going to play out — whether I was going to redshirt or not.

"I wasn't able to understand how I should go through practices each and every day when I'm sitting here not doing scout team because they want me on the first team but not practicing with the first team because I'm not the one or two guys, because there's not enough reps at the end of the day."

Kelly admitted at the end of January that they "lost" Zaire's concentration for

about four or five games last season. Once they got it back, Kelly said, it was obvious he still had a strong knowledge base.

The physical practice reps weren't plentiful, but Zaire said he soon realized the benefit to watching from the side.

"You always talk about the mental reps are important —, well, I didn't really get it because I was kind of frustrated because I didn't know where my place was on the team," Zaire said. "I had to get better through just strictly just watching in a sense. It definitely brought me to a whole other level of maturity and understanding."

Fast-forward to this spring, and Kelly says, in the big picture, Zaire is doing well.

"One of the things with Malik, he gives you a 10-second answer for a two-second question," Kelly said. "He's getting better at that. He's much more concise in everything that he does. His whole demeanor has to be that way. And I like that. And we're shaping that to the level that we need to because that's what you have to be to be the starter here at Notre Dame."

And that's Zaire's intent — to be the starting quarterback. He admitted it's a long race and said he's focusing on the technique and consistency necessary to get the starting nod.

"I think that's important moving forward because you can't think of the finish without going through the



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Senior Everett Golson looks to pass the ball in the 2013 BCS National Championship on Jan. 7, 2013. The Irish fell to Alabama 42-14, and Golson went 21 of 36 for 270 yards against the Crimson Tide.

process," Zaire said.

He's been working on his stride, noting he was overstriding slightly, getting too long with his motion and not following through as much. New quarterbacks coach Matt LaFleur has made a few other adjustments, too, but Zaire smiled slyly and declined to disclose the "good secrets."

Zaire explained that former offensive coordinator Chuck Martin, who was also in charge of the quarterbacks

and is now the head coach at Miami (Ohio), "had a lot more on his plate" when it came to orchestrating the entire offense.

"[I could] ask [Martin] a couple questions, but he's working on 100 different things, while Coach LaFleur is there for us," Zaire said. "So I think that's more accessible for me to be able to go in there and really key in on the little things that I need to get better on."

Zaire says he's focused on the little things, not the bigger things, like, say, beating out the quarterback who, as a redshirt freshman, led Notre Dame to the BCS National Championship Game.

"I'm not looking at it as [No.] 5 and [No.] 8," Zaire said. "I'm looking at it as 8 against whoever else is trying to be the best quarterback."

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TRACK

Irish kick off outdoor season in Texas



ZACH LLORENS | The Observer

Fifth-year student Jeremy Rae takes his mark at the Mayo Invitational on Feb. 8. Rae won the Mayo Mile for the Irish.

By CASEY KARNES
Sports Writer

After a earning a pair of top-30 finishes March 15 at the NCAA Indoor Championships, Notre Dame returns to the track Wednesday, kicking

off its outdoor season with the Texas Relays in Austin, Texas, and the Victor Lopez Invitational in Houston.

The Irish are currently riding a wave of momentum, as not only did the men's and women's teams finish in 17th

and 29th place, respectively, at the NCAA meet, but they also had 12 athletes honored as NCAA All-Americans for their performances.

One pair in particular stood out for the Irish — senior sprinter Patrick Feeney and junior sprinter Chris Giesting, both of whom earned All-American status in multiple events. Feeney was rewarded for the distance medley relay, 400-meter dash and the 4x400-meter relay, while Giesting placed in the latter two events as well.

For the Irish women, junior hurdler Jade Barber added a fifth All-American citation to her career accolades.

The Irish had a 10-day break after the NAAs, but with this week's trip down to Texas, the outdoor season officially starts. Irish coach Joe Piane said his team was only motivated by, not satisfied with, its indoor success and that it believes it can improve on its performance this June at the NCAA Outdoor Championships, particularly with the additions of some favorable events.

"One way we're going to improve the overall team is that we're going to gain some events," Piane said. "We're going to lose the men's weight, but we're significantly better at men's hammer and discus. Those events don't exist indoors. I think we're going to be a better track team outdoors."

The Irish return a plethora of experienced throwers including seniors Jordan Stumph, Peter Kristiansen and Andrew Brock, but Piane said he also expects the addition of discus to allow one of the Irish freshmen to shine.

"Anthony Shivers was one of the top discus throwers in the country last year as a senior in high school," Piane said. "So he's clearly, clearly going to be a benefit to us. He's one young man that could potentially make it to the NAAs next year."

The transition to an outdoor track will not be the only change for the Irish when they travel to Texas, as several runners will compete in new races during the outdoor season. Piane said he looks forward to see which athletes

can adjust and possibly take the next step this week.

"I think you'll see freshman Jacob Dumford run well," Piane said. "He's transitioning from middle distance to the steeplechase. I'm anxious to see how he does there. I think you're going find [senior middle-distance runner] Alexa Aragon moving to the steeplechase as well — that will help her a great deal. I think we're going to see a lot of new faces."

Notre Dame faces long trips to Houston and Austin, but with both cities' forecasts calling for sunny, 70-degree weather, Piane said the Irish are not complaining.

"It'll be great," Piane said. "It'll be wonderful to run in the sun. We're really looking forward to it."

The Texas sun will welcome the Irish for their first outdoor competition of 2014 Wednesday, as Irish athletes participate at both the Victor Lopez Invitational in Houston and the Texas Relays in Austin.

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M Lacrosse

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Liam O'Connor, rounded out the scoring for the Irish.

"We're a significantly better team than we were three weeks ago," Corrigan said. "We're starting to realize what options two, three and four are when people take away your best. We have a lot of interesting pieces. When you get to the end of the year, you need them all when you want to win that last game."

Aside from Kavanagh, O'Connor produced another strong outing for Notre Dame as he won 15 of his 24 faceoffs to put him third in national faceoff winning percentage on the season. O'Connor was also a recent addition to the watch list for the Tewaaron Award, the trophy given annually to the most outstanding American college lacrosse player. He joins Kavanagh and senior defender Stephen O'Hara on the list.

"He's probably the best all-around lacrosse player of the top faceoff guys in the country," Corrigan said. "He's the

antithesis of the FOGO [faceoff, get off]. That's a huge advantage to us."

On the opposite end of the field, freshman goalie Shane Doss had another strong outing. In his third-consecutive start, Doss was not tested too often by the Buckeye offense. Just 12 of its 22 shots were on goal, giving Doss five saves on the day.

The win was an ugly win for the Irish, who did so in ugly weather that dumped a few inches of snow onto the field before the game at Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. They committed 20 turnovers, which Corrigan attributed to the conditions.

"We just did what we needed to do to win," Corrigan said. "It's hard to look at what we did today as a huge step forward, but we won a tough game in tough circumstances."

Notre Dame will return to ACC action this Saturday, when it travels to Syracuse, N.Y., to battle the No. 10 Orange at 12 p.m.

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M Golf

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Finishing second for the Irish was junior Patrick Grahek, whose 220 was good for a tie for 30th place. Grahek was Notre Dame's most consistent golfer, shooting a 72 in each of the first two rounds and a 76 Tuesday. That three-day mean, 73.33, is also better than Grahek's average of

74.67 through his first 16 rounds this season.

Also competing were freshman Matt Rushton and senior Andrew Carreon, who shot a 227 and 238, respectively. Rushton and Carreon both took a step back Tuesday, adding six and four strokes each in the invitational's final day.

The Irish next travel to Kannapolis, N.C., on April 5 for the Irish Creek Golf Club's Irish Creek Collegiate.



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Junior attackman Conor Doyle works his way around Penn State defenders in Notre Dame's 8-7 loss to the Nittany Lions on Feb. 22. Doyle had one unassisted goal in the game.



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Junior Patrick Grahek tees off at the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic at the Warren Golf Course on Oct. 9, 2012.

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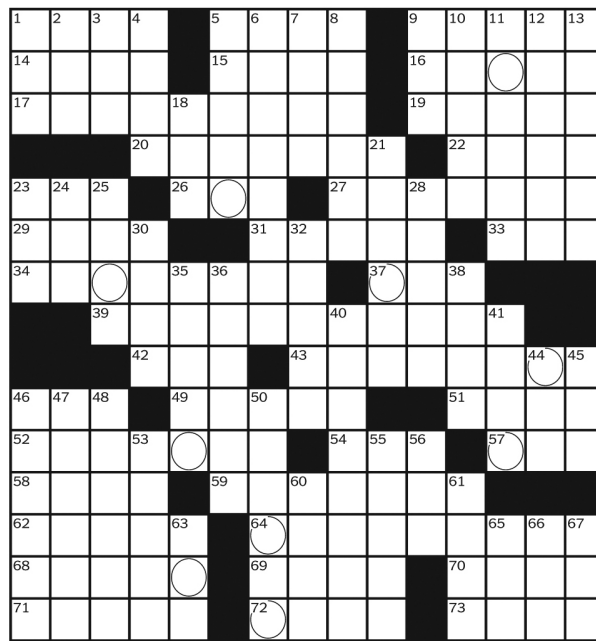
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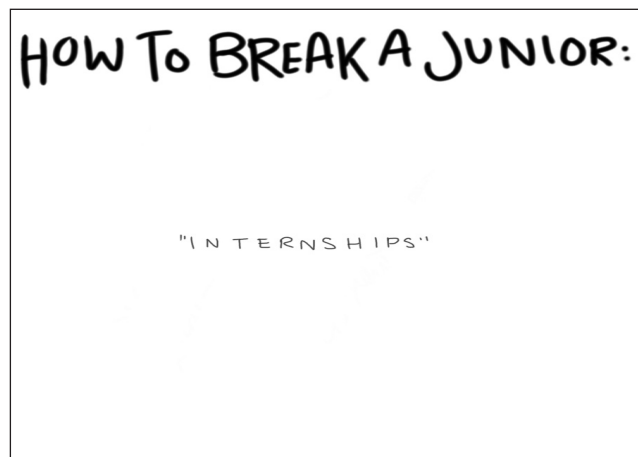
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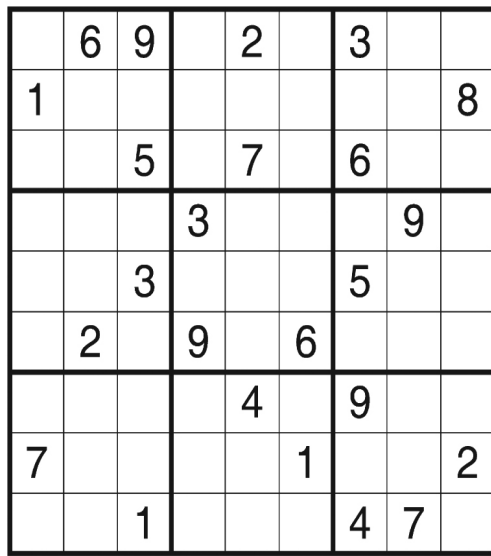


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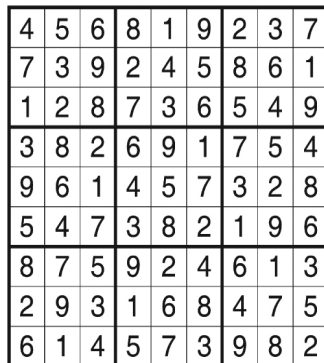


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SOLUTION TO TUESDAY'S PUZZLE 3/27/13



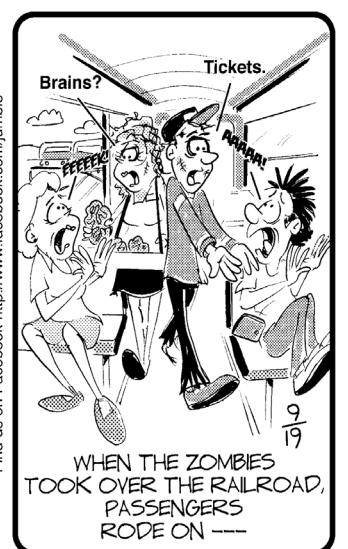
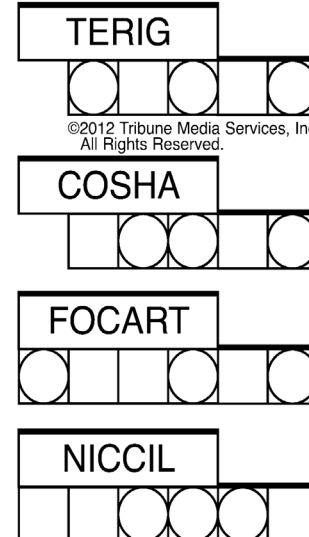
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

HOROSCOPE | EUGENIA LAST

Happy Birthday: Strategy will be required if you plan to get ahead this year. Preparation and organization must override any lack of confidence you feel. Keep life simple and your plans reasonable. Protect your health, wealth and emotional well-being. Haste will make waste and lead to mistakes and poor choices. Use your brain, not your brawn. Your numbers are 4, 13, 18, 23, 32, 36, 44.
ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do your own thing and extend others the same courtesy. Make choices that best suit your needs, but be mindful of what is going on around you. A situation that can influence your living arrangements should be handled with care.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Avoid stress, which could lead to unwanted consequences. Partnerships may leave you feeling vulnerable or used. Focus on your needs and reach out to those who share your interests and concerns. Follow your gut and put learning and experience first.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Participating in fundraising events or organizational functions will bring you in contact with someone who shows interest in your ideas and plans. Weigh the pros and cons of an opportunity that is presented. Adaptability and equality should help you make a final decision.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll be caught between two possibilities that lead in different directions. Follow your intuition and you will gain greater stability and happiness once you pass the initial stage of change that makes you uncomfortable. Don't procrastinate. Size up and start moving.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be a leader. Make changes that will secure your advancement. Focus on important partnerships and do your best to improve your love life by adding a little romance to the mix. The more versatile you are, the better you will do.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Honesty will keep you out of trouble. Share your feelings, but protect your heart, your assets and your reputation. A function you attend will promote new friendships. You can enjoy social activities without being subject to overspending.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You'll get the backing you need if you are upfront regarding your motives. A personal relationship will get a boost if you make a couple of changes that are sure to please. Home improvements will make your life easier. Focus on romance.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Question what everyone else is doing, but follow your dreams. A creative plan will help you out both at home and when dealing with friends, relatives and your peers. Protect your health and emotional wellness.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't forget to pay people back. The offers you get may be generous, but know that you will have to earn whatever's being proposed. A relationship with someone unusual will be questioned. Be ready to present your reasoning and your intentions.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Ultimatums and demands will stand between you and what you want. Whether it's you or someone else calling the shots, it isn't likely that you will come to a workable agreement. Look for something unusual you can offer as incentive.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can flirt with the past, but don't make promises. Getting together with an old friend will cost you emotionally. Don't bend to someone trying to take advantage of you or what you have. Choose the people you associate with wisely.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Ask questions and find out what's expected of you before you become too enthusiastic about an overrated idea. Invest in yourself and your ideas, not what someone else has to offer. Trust in your talent, skills and experience.
Birthday Baby: You are energetic and imaginative. You are innovative and strive to excel.

JUMBLE | DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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



A: " [grid] " [grid]

(Answers tomorrow)
Yesterday's | Jumbles: FLUID ISSUE LAPTOP GENTLY
Answer: The chef's new restaurant was this - TASTEFUL

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MEN'S LACROSSE | ND 13, OHIO STATE 7

Kavanagh leads Notre Dame past Buckeyes

Sophomore attackman Matt Kavanagh ties school record with seven goals

By **BRIAN PLAMONDON**
Sports Writer

After a half-hour delay due to snow, Matt Kavanagh's offensive fireworks propelled the No. 7 Irish to their first win streak of the season and a 13-7 victory against a struggling Ohio State squad Tuesday in Columbus, Ohio.

The win was the Notre Dame's 12th-straight against Ohio State (2-6, 1-0 ECAC), its oldest rival, giving Notre Dame (4-2, 2-0 ACC) a 30-9 advantage in the all-time varsity series.

The sophomore attackman Kavanagh tied a single-game school record with seven goals, adding an assist along the way. Kavanagh now has 20 goals on the season, and his 3.33 goals per game is good for fifth in the nation. He led a second quarter charge, scoring three of his

goals in 4:38 to help Notre Dame take a 5-2 advantage into halftime.

"Today, [Kavanagh] was really opportunistic in the way he scored," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. "He had three goals that were really out of unsettled situations that he took advantage of. When we run good offense it's hard for a defense to slide to him. When they can't slide to him, somebody's in trouble."

The Irish scored in bunches, using a 5-0 run in the second quarter and then a 5-0 run to close the game and shut the door on a possible Ohio State comeback. Two goals from junior attackman Conor Doyle, as well as one apiece from the midfield quartet of senior Jim Marlatt, freshman Sergio Perkovic, junior Jack Near and senior

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MICHAEL YU | The Observer

Sophomore attackman Matt Kavanagh looks to shoot in Notre Dame's 8-7 loss to Penn State on Feb. 22. Kavanagh had his second hat trick of the season against Penn State.

MEN'S GOLF | 13TH, 302-284-300

Irish take 13th at Lone Star Invite

Observer Staff Report

Following their strongest round of the spring, the Irish failed to carry their momentum into Tuesday, coming in 13th place at the Lone Star Invitational at the Briggs Ranch Golf Club in San Antonio.

The event took place Sunday to Tuesday and concluded with the Irish shooting a three-day score of 886.

Sixteen strokes off Monday's 284, Notre Dame's third-round score of 300 was the day's 12th-best in a field of 15 teams. Additionally, the Irish were just five strokes away from 10th-placed UT Arlington in a competitive tournament. In fact, only the invitational's champion, No. 19 New Mexico, finished every

round under par.

For the Irish, senior captain Niall Platt led the way with team-best rounds both Monday and Tuesday. During the three days, Platt shot a 2-under-par 214 to finish in a tie for 12th place individually. His round average of 71.33 was just better than his season average of 72.

Besides Platt, freshman Liam Cox also contributed a strong effort by rebounding after a 79 in his Sunday round. Improving significantly in the meet's final two days, Cox shot a 71 and 75 Monday and Tuesday, respectively, to finish with a 225 over the three days. Both scores were lower than his season average of 76.00 per round.

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FOOTBALL

Zaire looks to start

By **MIKE MONACO**
Senior Sports Writer

It's Friday afternoon, and Malik Zaire walks into the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.

The Irish had practice that morning, and the sophomore quarterback is back at the Gug for interviews with the media.

He walks in clutching an iPad with a black protective case on it, the same iPad with which Zaire is sometimes seen walking around campus. He sits down about halfway up the auditorium, tucking the iPad underneath his chair.

He holds court with reporters for nearly 20 minutes. The super-confident signal-caller, entering his second spring at Notre Dame, says he expects to be the starting quarterback when the Irish open the season Aug. 30 against Rice. Irish head coach Brian Kelly, after all, stressed at the end of January that Zaire would have an opportunity to compete for the job.

When he's through answering



KEVIN SONG | The Observer

Sophomore quarterback Malik Zaire throws a pass during 2013 spring practice on April 13, 2013.

questions, he scoops up the iPad and heads out.

Zaire calls the iPad his "football bible," and it's an entryway into analyzing the path the Kettering, Ohio, native has taken from the No. 6 dual-threat quarterback in his high-school class (according to ESPN) to

hopeful Notre Dame starter.

"It definitely helped me," Zaire said of his iPad, which Irish players received late last season. "I can go to my room and dive deep in it before I go to practice the next day. So I have

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YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARD

Men's Golf at Lone Star Invitational
Men's Lacrosse vs. Ohio State

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TODAY'S EVENTS

ND Women's Tennis at Marquette
Track at Victor Lopez Invitational
SMC Softball

3:30 p.m.

All day

3:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Lacrosse at Syracuse
Men's Hockey vs. St. Cloud St.
ND Women's Basketball vs. Oklahoma St.
ND Women's Lacrosse vs. Stanford

Sat., noon

Sat., 9 p.m.

Sat., 2:30 p.m.

Sat., noon