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Campus safe, but security issues remain

By MEGAN DOYLE and
CAITLIN HOUSLEY

News Editor and Saint Mary's Editor

In the shadow of the Saint Mary's Bell Tower and Notre Dame's Golden Dome, students feel at home. Safe. Outside these familiar spots, fear of the unknown puts students on their guard.

Saint Mary's junior Sarah McCroy said she frequently walks from the Grotto to her dorm room in LeMans Hall at Saint Mary's. She said as one of many students who walk late hours between the two campuses, there is a distinct area where



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Emergency call stations, like this one near the Grotto, are placed around campus and connect students with security.

she feels less secure — the same area where a sexual battery was reported Sunday night by a Saint Mary's student.

"It's not an issue of feeling safe on campus," McCroy said. "I feel very safe when I am walking on both Notre Dame and Saint

Mary's campuses. It's just that limbo part, right after the lakes and before the Avenue."

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) Director Phil Johnson said safety at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame is built on a sense of familiarity.

"One of the distinctions of Notre Dame is that we look out for each other, and we have that strong sense of Catholic campus," Johnson said. "The fabric of our community is woven very close together with our residence program, and we need to leverage that as part of our safety program."

Statistically, Johnson said while crime may occur any-

where, campuses report lower crime levels than surrounding cities.

"The incidents may be low in number, but there is a possibility of crime occurring here as there is anywhere," he said. "But with a fully-engaged community, it is generally a safer community than one where we are entrenched in distrust and don't interact with each other." However, this sense of familiarity may dull students to potential crimes.

"The threats to safety for women are presented, statistically, by people who are known

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Director of Utilities testifies in Congressional hearing

By MEGAN DOYLE

News Editor

Notre Dame Director of Utilities Paul Kempf testified before the Congressional Subcommittee on Energy and Power April 15 in Washington, D.C., providing expertise concerning clean air standards.

The air standards reviewed were first issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2004 as an amendment to the Clean Air Act. These standards were dropped in federal court and are now being reevaluated.



Kempf

The subcommittee held the hearing with Kempf and other witnesses to discuss legislation to change these stan-

Kempf said he hopes the EPA delays the standards proposed after a recent review. The EPA requested multiple times to extend its deadline for the review on the standards.

"When the EPA took comments on the standards, they were starting to realize some of those limits were too stringent," Kempf said. "I think the EPA, to a certain effect, hurried through this review, and then when the staff asks for more time for a review, I think they should have it."

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Suzanna Pratt/The Observer

The Notre Dame power plant follows EPA standards from 2004. These standards are currently under review by Congress.

Textbook options available on campus

By KRISTEN DURBIN and
JULIA HARRIS

News Writers

Students may be preoccupied with studying for finals in coming days, but they will also be faced with an even bigger challenge — deciding between the several options available at the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College for unloading their textbooks.

The Hammes Notre Dame bookstore and the Shaheen Bookstore at Saint Mary's College both are gearing up to buy books back from students during finals week.

Saint Mary's junior Sylvia Rojas said the convenience of selling books on campus is a major draw, despite a dimin-

- ND and SMC bookstore have end of the semester buyback during finals week (May 9-13)
- Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore works with 90 - 95 % of student body during buyback/rental check-in period
- Students can potentially get 50 % of the original book price in cash back
- Rent-A-Text customer survey: 97 % positive response to "Will you rent again from the bookstore?" (Hammes)
- Better World Books: established in 2002 by ND students
 - does book drives on more than 1,500 college campuses around the country
 - collected more than 53 million books since 2002
 - raises funds for literacy and libraries



Lauren Kalinoski | The Observer

ished resale value.

"Selling the books back to the school is the easiest option," she said. "They gave me back about half of the money that I paid."

Bob Dezenzo, textbook coordinator at the Shaheen Bookstore, said the bookstore

will repurchase books depending on their condition and use for the following semester. Students will receive about 50 percent of the sale price back in cash, he said.

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Students and Professors submit films to festivals

By AMANDA GRAY

News Writer

Though South Bend may not be the first place that comes to mind when one thinks of film production, Notre Dame is staking its claim as a hotbed for cinematic talent.

In the past year, the Film, Television and Theatre (FTT) Department saw a successful turnout on the film festival circuit for students, professors and alumni, department chair Don Crafton said.

One film from professor Ted Mandell's "Documentary Video Production" course took home numerous accolades over the

past few months, according to a press release from the department.

"Picking Up America," by seniors Michael Burke and Marie Wicht, focuses on four activists who clean up trash from coast to coast. The documentary was accepted by the Reality Bytes Independent Student Film Festival held at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Ill. the first week of April. It also won the Social Change Award from the 10th Annual Ivy Film Festival held at Brown University in Providence, R.I. at the end of the month.

Wicht said the duo knew they

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS STILL LEFT ON YOUR ND BUCKET LIST?



Alexa Shoen
senior off campus

"Telling my friends I'm not a Republican."



Kale Frank
senior off campus

"To call Melissa Buddie back."



Kyle Looft
senior off campus

"Don't you mean who?"



Madeline Buckley
senior off campus

"To be in The Observer's Question of the Day!"



Sean Pennino
senior off campus

"Sin."

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SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Junior Nancy Paul looks for the perfect piece of pottery at the Grad Student Pottery Sale outside of Riley Hall Tuesday afternoon.

IN BRIEF

The Notre Dame women's softball team takes on the University of Pittsburgh in a doubleheader today from 4 to 8 p.m. at Melissa Cook Stadium.

Tonight from 5 to 7:30 p.m., student teams will present the results of their research projects, which explored change across a range of topics affecting business and society in the atrium of Mendoza College of Business. Following the presentation, William Chamberlin, Principal Consultant as IBS's Social Insights Practice, will speak on **Horizon Watching: Leveraging Social Media and Communities for Foresight Research** in Jordan Auditorium.

Tune into 88.9 WSND-FM at 5 p.m. tonight to hear "The Sound of Her Name" radio interview featuring Dean John McGreevy, who will speak with notable Notre Dame personalities about how they perceive the mission of Our Lady's University in their personal and professional lives.

The Notre Dame men's baseball team takes on the University of Michigan tonight from 5:35 to 7:35 p.m. at Frank Eck Baseball Stadium.

Tonight at 7 and 8:30 p.m. come see the Collegium Musicum Spring Concert at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

Humor Artists Present: Quatro de Mayo - A SalsHA Themed Night of Comedy tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library.

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

OFFBEAT

Maryland men pilfer antlers from Pa. NRA event

PITTSBURGH - Police are pointing at two exhibition workers in the theft of two massive sets of elk antlers following the National Rifle Association's annual meeting in Pittsburgh. Investigators say 46-year-old Gary Felts and 44-year-old Stephen Lee abducted the antlers Sunday night while a vendor at the convention center waited to load a truck. Police say the vendor reported the theft and the men were detained on a sidewalk outside with the antlers, valued at more than \$500,000.

Felts, of Joppa, Md.; and Lee, of Cumberland, Md.; were charged with theft and conspiracy and released on \$5,000 bail. Phone listings for both men are disconnected. Police say they work for a Maryland-based expo company. The antlers were returned to the Rexburg, Idaho-based exhibitor.

10-foot gator chomps on Florida deputy's cruiser

GAINESVILLE, Fla. - A 10-foot-long alligator has taken a bite out of a Florida deputy sheriff's cruiser. Authorities say Alachua County Deputy Victor Borrero spotted the gator

Saturday evening near the Gainesville Golf and Country Club. It attacked the patrol car while the deputy was waiting for an alligator trapper to show up.

Sheriff's spokesman Todd Kelly says the car's front bumper was heavily damaged.

A Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission spokeswoman said the alligator was put down under the state's nuisance gator policy. Under that policy, the trapper is allowed to keep meat and hide from the gator.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 57 LOW 37	HIGH 55 LOW 39	HIGH 62 LOW 46	HIGH 60 LOW 43	HIGH 61 LOW 44	HIGH 61 LOW 48

SMC hosts 5k promoting self-esteem

By KELLY MURPHY
News Writer

A commemoration of self-respect and community amongst preteen girls will be celebrated May 25 at Saint Mary's College, as the first annual Girls On The Run 5k walk/run will be hosted on campus.

Girls On The Run, an international organization with chapters in 42 states and two Canadian provinces, is based on the principle of moving forward in life through the inspiration of fitness.

The organization opened a council in the Michiana area in Jan. 2011 through the help of Jackie Bauter, head coach of the Saint Mary's cross country team.

Bauter, an '04 alum and program coach for Girls On The Run's Michiana Council, said Girls On The Run is about more than promoting fitness.

"Running is not what the program is all about," she said. "We use running as a way to get the message across in each session. We want to show the

girls that running can be an outlet for a bad day."

Bauter said Girls On The Run is a 10-to-12 week after-school program for girls in the 3rd to 5th grade. She said the girls meet twice a week.

At the end of the program the girls and a running buddy complete a non-competitive 5K run/walk, Bauter said. Through the Swanson Primary Center of South Bend, there are currently 12 girls involved with the Michiana chapter of Girls On The Run.

Bauter said each session has a theme relevant to the girls' lives, including bullying and gossip. Different activities and demonstrations are completed to help the girls grasp the subject and to see positives in difficult situations.

Each session combines run-

ning and walking games with life skills, some including leadership, goal setting, cooperation and healthy eating, Bauter said.

The first four weeks of the curriculum focus on self-reflection, Bauter said. The next session of lessons centers on the importance of cooperation, Bauter said the girls concentrate on learning about community and how they can make a difference in the last set of meetings.

Bauter said she hopes the program will grow in a way beneficial to participants.

"We are about quality over quantity," Bauter said. "It's all about the girls and providing the experience for them along with keeping a steady pace of growth."

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"We use running as a way to get the message across in each session. We want to show the girls that running can be an outlet for a bad day."

Jackie Bauter
Saint Mary's cross country coach

College to establish new abroad program in Peru

By OLIVIA BRACH
News Writer

With developments well under way, a new summer study abroad opportunity may soon be available to Saint Mary's students in Peru. For one Saint Mary's professor, this means personally taking a trip to the study site.



Fogle

Biology professor Tom Fogle will journey to Canto Grande, an urban area located in San Juan de Lurigancho, a district in Lima. Fogle will visit for 3 weeks, scouting out what could be the destination of the study abroad program.

Fogle said he is excited about visiting another country.

"I am looking forward to learning about the culture and people of Peru," he said.

In a pamphlet distributed by the College, the program was described as combining "acade-

mics, service, and cultural experiences in a learning environment that takes students beyond the classroom."

If approved the study abroad trip will partner with King's College. King's College, founded by the Congregation of Holy Cross, is located in Wilkes-Barre, Penn.

The trip is part of a larger initiative by Saint Mary's to collaborate with Holy Cross institutions around the country and the world.

Fogle will spend a majority of his time at the Father Patrick Peyton Family Center, home of the King's College program, which was created through the initiative of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

Upon returning to the States, Fogle will meet with the Center For Women's Intercultural Leadership and give a report on the Program.

Fogle, said he has high hopes for the program.

"[This trip will] open up more opportunities for students, and will help them establish more connections with the Holy Cross Order," he said.

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CONGRATULATIONS, 2011 Undergraduate Library Research Award winners!

Robyn Grant, first prize
Title of paper: "But who will do the dishes? Negotiating socialism with femininity in *Mujeres* magazine"
Department: History
Faculty Advisor: Jaime Pensado

Erin Bolte, honorable mention
Title of paper: "Review of Outcomes and Measurement Tools for Improvement in Behavior for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder"
Department: Biochemistry
Faculty Advisor: Joshua Diehl

Brigid Mangano, honorable mention
Title of paper: "Guillaume Bodinier and the Meaning(s) of 'Italianness' in Nineteenth Century France"
Department: Art, Art History, & Design
Faculty Advisor: Kathleen Pyne

Hannah Lin, best paper from 10000/20000 level classes
Title of paper: "Leveling the Field: Ang Lee's *Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon*"
Department: Film, Television and Theatre
Faculty Advisor: Aaron Magnan-Park

The Awards ceremony will take place in the Carey Auditorium (Hesburgh Library), at noon on Friday May 6, 2011, prior to the keynote speaker for the 4th Annual Undergraduate Scholars Conference.



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COR holds final meeting, adds oversight committee

By JOHN CAMERON
News Writer

At its final meeting of the semester Tuesday, the Council of Representatives (COR) laid further groundwork for next year's student government by adding Oversight Committee chair Ben Noe to COR in a non-speaking capacity.

COR also approved selected students as members of the Judicial Council.

Noe, who formerly served as parliamentarian this past year,

is heading a task force charged with evaluating and proposing amendments to the student government constitution.

Student body president Pat McCormick called Noe a necessary addition to COR.

"What [Noe will] be bringing is the ability to discuss the changes he's considering so we can discuss them here, because it's likely he'll be making changes that will affect all the branches of student government," McCormick said.

Noe said there is important work to be done on the constitu-

tion. He said his presence on COR would be helpful in explaining the technicalities of amendments and receiving feedback.

"I think this document can be improved in a multitude of ways and, over time, these changes can be made to make the constitution more effective and a cleaner document with more transparency," Noe said. "Being an approved member of COR would enable me to give almost weekly updates on the state of the constitution and to speak to the constitutionality of things

going on in COR."

After Noe was unanimously approved, Judicial Council president Susanna Sullivan presented Morgan Pino as her choice for the new vice president for Peer Advocacy and also presented next year's election committee members. Sullivan spoke on the behalf of Pino, who is currently abroad.

"Morgan has been a peer advocate for the past two years and took a lot on last semester," Sullivan said. "Morgan has some ideas for making [peer advocacy] more accessible and a less

awkward process for students."

After Pino received unanimous approval, Sullivan and Caitlin Ogren, vice president of elections, presented their selections for next year's election committee, all of whom were approved.

The new election committee members are sophomores Katie Hennessy, Kaitlin Kent and Connor Geraghty and freshmen Jacob Stanton, Dan Woods, Anne Egan, and Katie Nolan.

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Textbooks

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Kristin Blitch, marketing manager for Notre Dame Retail Operations, said bookstore operations have changed with this year's implementation of the Rent-A-Text textbook rental program.

"It's very difficult to predict the total number of books that we'll be buying back due to the popularity of the rental program," she said. "As the Rent-A-Text program continues to grow in popularity, we expect that more titles will be rented as opposed to purchased."

Blitch said the program is extremely successful due to the

bookstore's partnership with student government.

"Saving the students money is something we like to do," she said. "Text rental is a great way to make this happen."

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Kristin Blitch
marketing manager
Notre Dame Retail
Operations

Former Academic Affairs chairman AJ McGauley said the program had a few minor setbacks in its first year at Notre Dame.

"There was some confusion last semester about when rented books needed to be turned in," he said. "Some students were charged for keeping their books if they were not turned in on time."

McGauley said the future success of the program depends on whether professors submit

their orders to the bookstore by in time to determine the books available for rent.

"Our compliance rate right now is 60 percent, which means that only that percentage of courses listed at Notre Dame have books that were designated by professors and can be rented by students," he said. "It's on the professors to get to the bookstore about their book needs, so their participation needs to improve in the future to improve the Rent-a-Text program."

Saint Mary's senior Nina Midgley was satisfied with her Rent-a-Text experience.

"It was much cheaper, and I knew I wouldn't get the money back if I bought the book and sold it," she said.

Students also have the opportunity to donate used textbooks to Better World Books, a company based in Mishawaka and founded in 2002 by 2001 Notre Dame graduate Christopher Fuchs, Xavier Helgesen and Jeff Kurtzman.

The company collects and

sells used textbooks to fund literacy initiatives worldwide, Chief Executive Officer David Murphy said. Better World Books runs used book drives on more than 1,500 college campuses around the country, and it has collected more than 53 million books for reuse or recycling since its inception.

Murphy said these drives have a positive affect on communities.

"Our first book drive at Notre Dame in

2002 benefited the Robinson Community Learning Center," he said. "At Notre Dame, we appeal to students to donate their books to continue to support the Robinson Center and to promote sustainability by keeping books out of landfills."

Murphy said the company

encourages donations of books, though it does offer an online buyback option on its website. This focus appeals to the social consciousness of Notre Dame students,

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he said. "Notre Dame students understand that simple actions can help change the world, so we want to appeal to them to lead the way, and they do," he said. "Even if students know they could get their money back, they realize what a difference they can make, especially in the local sense with the Robinson Center."

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Film

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produced a good film but were not sure how it would fare in competition.

"We didn't realize how much success it could or would have until we won the Social Change Award," she said. "I knew what we had was good. We've been on a roll since."

Ten student films were shown at various festivals around the nation, three of which came from Mandell's class.

Mandell said the films from his class were technically superior and covered intriguing subjects.

"They're intriguing subjects," he said. "They all have a human message."

Burke said audience feedback was crucial to the development of the documentary.

"Anytime someone else watches your film, it's worthwhile," he said. "Even if it's just one person watching. Part of the process is seeing what works and what doesn't."

Mandell said support from the Institute for Scholarship and the Liberal Arts' Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program was crucial to all of the films' development.

"These funds allow students to blossom and make films interesting not only to Notre Dame, but national ones, as well," he said.

Student films weren't the only Notre Dame affiliated productions to earn accolades. Two



Photo courtesy of Johnna Jackson

FTT students Michael Burke and Marie Wich talk to activists Jeff Chen while work on their film 'Picking Up America.'

films by Notre Dame professors were distinguished at festivals as well.

"Strong Bodies Fight," by Professor William Donaruma and Mark Weber, a 2009 Notre Dame graduate, won Finalist, Best Documentary and Audience Choice awards at the John Paul II International Film Festival in Miami, Fla., in February.

Mandell's own film called "Inside The Legends," which documents the 2009 Japan Bowl, screened at the Los Angeles All Sports Film Festival in July.

Mandell said he appreciates that he got the chance to film such an important event in Notre Dame history.

"I was really fortunate to be asked to follow the alumni team," he said. "It turned into the last game Lou Holtz ever coached. I think that film is watching Holtz behind the scenes."

Crafton said members of the department have routinely entered festivals for around three years, but the department recently began actively encouraging entrances.

"You just have to find the right festival," Crafton said. "The films [that were accepted to festivals] I think are very high quality and this is just indicative of our peers seeing that."

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Security

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to them," Johnson said. "Most sexual assaults are committed by people known to the survivor, even if they have recently become acquainted."

Saint Mary's Director of Security David Gariepy said Saint Mary's and Notre Dame do everything possible to protect students traveling between campuses. Blue Light services and Blinkey, a safe transport vehicle, provide security services to students, he said.

Gariepy said the peak popularity hours for Blinkey are 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. The service runs between all parking lots, dorms and the Grotto.

"Safety in numbers is critical," he said. "It's always good if you're with friends and are standing together, you are less likely to have problems if you are with a group of your friends."

Gariepy said 26 riders traveled on the shuttle Sunday. He said more women tend to use the service when they are reminded of potential danger.

"When we sent out the safety alert [in response to the alleged sexual battery] that night, ridership doubled for us," Gariepy said.

Gariepy said he encourages women to avoid walking alone despite the feeling of security on campus.

"We don't want you walking alone," Gariepy said. "If you're alone and you feel fearful for any reason, I absolutely want you to call, because there is a reason normally that you're feeling some sort of apprehension, and you're instincts are far better in tune to what's going on around you than your rational thought."

Ann Firth, associate vice president of student affairs at Notre Dame, said Notre Dame works constantly to create a secure environment.

"I think we are a very safe

community, but I don't think any community can rest on that notion," Firth said. "In fact, all of us have an obligation to promote safety, to be attentive to safety and to be alert to potential threats and dangers around us." Everyone does need to keep personal security in mind despite the atmosphere of safety on campus, Firth said.

"Sometimes we talk about the 'Notre Dame bubble,' and we think that nothing bad could happen here, no one could ever have anything less than good intentions," Firth said. "The reality is that we always need to be attentive to our own safety, to be aware of the actions of others around us. We feel so at home here we presume that we are completely safe and that we don't have to be attentive in that way, and the reality is that we do."

Connie Adams, assistant director of the Belles Against Violence Office (BAVO), said women need to be more attentive to personal safety.

"If there is some sort of instinct to a reaction, some feeling of discomfort, there is a reason for that, and [don't] hesitate if there's not substantial evidence as to why you feel that way or feel as though you shouldn't feel that way," she said. "Never hesitate to recognize that and to let that be a factor in keeping yourself safe in the action you take to do so."

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Ann Firth
associate vice president of student affairs

As senior M a r i a h McGrogan prepares for graduation, she said the feeling of the

"Notre Dame bubble" can mislead students' perception of potential danger.

"I think a lot of people feel that Notre Dame is the kind of place where violence doesn't happen," McGrogan said. "They feel immune to violence on our campus because of the family aspect, because everyone knows everyone."

McGrogan served as a member and a chair for the Gender Relations committee in Student Senate, a student assistant at the

Gender Relations Center and a member of the Center for Sexual Assault Prevention (CSAP). McGrogan said her experience changed the way she viewed campus.

"I still get a little eerie walking around campus because I have had a lot of survivors of sexual assault come forward to me and tell me about their experiences," she said. "It changes your understanding of this place. It changes how you view darker corners of this campus."

McGrogan said she saw enormous progress in discussions about sexual assault and women's safety on campus during her time at Notre Dame.

"We look so telescoped in on how we focus on things but now that I am graduating I am looking back," she said. "I think there is a lot more conversation about sexual assault. ... There has been more research into what sexual assault is and how it happens. There has just been a change in the kind of conversations we are having about it and more of an awareness of what the policies are surrounding sexual assault."

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The standards include specific rules for industrial boilers. Many universities, including Notre Dame, installed boilers in their power plants that comply with the standards set by the EPA in 2004.

Kempf said he feels this step is sufficient to provide a means for sustainable energy on campuses.

"These plants have proven to be an efficient, cost effective

and environmentally-sound source of energy for universities," Kempf's written testimony stated. "[The] EPA's final rules, however, impose unrealistic and very costly requirements that [the] EPA has not justified by corresponding environmental and health protection from reductions of hazardous air pollutants."

Kempf said a change in these requirements would hurt many institutions because their costly equipment would no longer meet the requirements of the new standards. Notre Dame invested \$20 million to meet the earlier standards, Kempf said.

"For \$20 million, we could provide a full year of tuition for 500 students, or provide 125 students a full, four-year scholarship," he said. "It was purchased and guaranteed to comply with the rule that was issued in 2004. It is uncertain that it will be able to achieve compliance with the rule that will now be proposed."

Kempf said the equipment does make significant strides toward protecting the environment. He estimated the University reduced its emissions by 75 percent in recent years.

In his testimony, Kempf asked the committee to allow the EPA more time to review its rules before it sets new standards.

"I will stand by what my written statement was," Kempf said. "But in general we were supporting the part of Congress looking to give the EPA more time to look at these regulations."

John Walke, clean air director for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), also testified as a witness in the hearing. His opinion, however, countered Kempf's statements.

Walke said he felt Kempf's testimony downplayed the health benefits of the stan-

dards.

"I was frankly flabbergasted that an official from Notre Dame would say something so ... demonstratively untrue that public safety standards such as these would not have public health and safety benefits," he said Monday.

Updating the requirements is a necessary step for environmental safety, Walke said.

"The [EPA] is over 10 years overdue in adopting clean air standards to reduce mercury and dozens of other toxic air pollutants like lead and arsenic and dioxins from a handful of industry sectors," he said.

Walke said the standards set in 2004 were overturned in

"These plants have proven to be an efficient, cost effective and environmentally-sound source of energy for universities."

Paul Kempf
Director of Utilities

c o u r t because they violated the Clean Air Act.

"The Republicans were arguing to weaken and delay these standards," he said. "But they will save tens of thou-

sands of lives a year, as testified. I am taking the EPA's projections for these sets of standards when I say they will save as many as 26,000 lives per year."

Delaying the new standards by even one year will negate the benefits of the legislation, he said.

"The witnesses were arguing for those standards to be delayed by two or three or four years," he said. "It would be a public health disaster."

The Republican members of the committee will most likely propose legislation regarding the standards sometime in June, Walke said. This regulation is a necessary step for public safety.

"These standards will save more lives and avoid more mercury poisoning of children and avoid more cancer and asthma attacks than in the past 20 years," he said.


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Rain, chill add to misery of tornado victims



Don Peer loads a box of toys and baby items into a truck Tuesday in Ringgold, Ga. Peer is taking the toys to a church where food, clothing and toys will be available for tornado victims.

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Rain added to the misery of those in several Southern states trying to salvage what they could from homes badly damaged by deadly twisters, leaving them shivering in unseasonable temperatures in the lows 50s.

Becky Curtis sat in the bathroom, one of the only dry spots in her small red-brick apartment in gray, chilly, Tuscaloosa on Tuesday, sorting through old cassette tapes. In another room, rain dripped through holes in the ceiling onto her hardwood floors.

"We're trying to get all this stuff out of here as fast as we can to save some mementoes," she said. The rain "definitely does not help."

Though the sun was supposed to be out again Wednesday in Birmingham, temperatures the next couple days are forecast to be cooler there and in other areas of the South where many lost everything, including coats, sweat shirts and sweaters, leaving them with little to protect themselves from the chill.

The rain also didn't make the grim search for possibly more bodies under splintered homes and businesses any easier. The

death toll in Alabama was reduced after officials started counting again because they were worried some of the victims might have been tallied twice.

Officials believe 236 people died in Alabama, accounting for about a third of the 328 people killed in all, making it the nation's deadliest twister outbreak since the Great Depression.

The financial and economic toll is far from being calculated.

Besides homes, hundreds of factories and other businesses were destroyed, and many others were left without electricity,

throwing thousands out of work. It comes in an area where many people were struggling to make ends meet even before the twisters flattened neighborhoods in Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia and Mississippi. Unemployment in March ranged from 9.2 percent in Alabama to 10.2 percent in Mississippi.

The tornado that obliterated contractor Robert Rapley's house also swept away his livelihood, destroying his saws and his paint sprayer. He now faces the prospect of trying to recover with no way to earn a living.

"We lost everything," Rapley said as he climbed on the wreckage. "I can't even go to work."

Curtis Frederick, 28, couldn't find any work to provide for his three children aside from delivering newspapers. Then a twister wiped out his mobile home park in Tuscaloosa.

"There's a lot of people that need help," he said. "We're struggling already from the economy being so bad."

In Birmingham, former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice toured an aid and donation center in a neighborhood of her home city that was heavily damaged. She grew up in the city and still has family there.

"You realize that with every home that's flattened, there are dreams and memories that have gone with that home. So this is a very human tragedy," said Rice, who served in former President George W. Bush's administration.

Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley said Tuesday that his state — that he had presided over for just 100 days when the tornadoes hit — is facing an unprecedented rebuilding effort, with

more than half of the state's counties declared disaster areas.

"Ladies and gentlemen, we cannot — and we will not — let these people down. As leaders of this state, we will see that Alabama is rebuilt," he said.

One of the twisters destroyed a Wrangler jeans distribution center that employed 150 people in Hackleburg, an Alabama town of about 1,500. The town is in a county with an unemployment rate of nearly 13 percent.

"That one industry is the town," said Seth Hammett, director of the Alabama Development Office. "Until they get back up and going again, that town will not be the same."

VF Corp., Wrangler's parent company, said it is looking into setting up distribution operations in another location nearby to allow people to get back to work quickly, and employees will continue getting pay and benefits in the meantime. Eric Wiseman, chairman and CEO, said VF is also establishing a help center where workers can get food, water, gift cards and other critical supplies.

A Toyota engine plant in Huntsville with 800 employees lost power and was knocked out of commission when a twister damaged electrical transmission lines. Toyota said Tuesday it is not clear when electricity will be restored.

In Smithville, Miss., the storms heavily damaged three facilities owned by Townhouse Home Furnishings, which makes sofas and other furniture, said CFO Tony Watson. With 150 employees, the company was the town's biggest employer.

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NYC looks to update taxis



New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, left, announces the winner of the Taxi of Tomorrow competition during a news conference Tuesday in New York.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — It looks like something you'd see on a suburban cul-de-sac, not inching through Times Square.

A boxy minivan made by Nissan will be the next iconic yellow cab in New York City, Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced Tuesday.

The model, selected from among three finalists in a city competition, is designed so that it could eventually be updated with an electric engine. The city is exploring the possibility of ultimately replacing the city's entire fleet of more than 13,000 taxis with vehicles powered by electricity.

Bloomberg conceded at a City Hall news conference that the minivan — which offers extra passenger legroom and enough trunk space for the luggage of four

people — might make some think of suburbia, but he said the distinctive yellow paint job will make them New York icons.

The minivan features a panoramic overhead window that will give tourists a view of the city's skyscrapers and onboard outlets and charging stations that will allow professionals to treat the cabs as mobile offices. With such amenities, city Taxi and Limousine Commissioner David Yassky said he believed the vehicles could become as beloved as the Checker cabs of yesteryear.

"Not a week goes by when somebody doesn't say to me, 'Why can't you bring back the Checker?'" he said. "The cars that are on the road today just have not generated the same type of affection and passenger loyalty."

The anchor of the city's cur-

rent fleet of more than 13,200 taxis is Ford's Crown Victoria, which was recently discontinued.

The Nissan van, which beat out proposals from Ford Motor Co. and Turkey's Karsan, will be phased in beginning in 2013 as older taxis age out of service. All current taxis, including the city's hybrid cabs, will be off the streets by 2018.

Although the city was not legally allowed to make its decision based on fuel efficiency, Nissan's vehicles would double efficiency to 25 miles per gallon from the Crown Victoria's 12 to 13 miles per gallon, the mayor said. The Nissan was the most fuel efficient and the cheapest of the three finalists, and is expected to cost about \$29,000 — with an anticipated \$1 billion in total sales.

BP agrees to penalty for 2006 Alaska spills

Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — BP's subsidiary in Alaska will pay a \$25 million civil penalty under a settlement announced Tuesday that comes five years after more than 200,000 gallons of crude oil spilled from company pipelines on the North Slope.

The penalty is the largest per barrel civil penalty assessed, exceeding the statutory maximum because the settlement, resolves claims other than the spill, according to the EPA. The settlement also calls for BP Exploration Alaska Inc. to install a system-wide pipeline integrity management program.

"This penalty should serve as a wake-up call to all pipeline operators that they will be held accountable for the safety of their operations and their compliance with the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act and the pipeline safety laws," Assistant U.S. Attorney Ignacia S. Moreno said in a conference call with reporters.

U.S. Attorney for Alaska Karen Loeffler said the penalty underlines the seriousness of BP's conduct. She said BP Alaska admitted that it cut corners and failed to do what was required to adequately maintain its pipelines.

BP Alaska spokesman Steve Rinehart in e-mails acknowledged the settlement terms, including an independent contractor to monitor operations at the vast Prudhoe Bay field. He said the penalty was not a per-barrel assessment.

"A penalty was agreed upon," he said. "We believe the terms of the agreement are fair."

A March 2006 leak in a transit line, also called a feeder line, between a gathering center and a pump station for the trans-Alaska oil pipeline in March accounted for most of the oil spilled, about 212,000 gallons. Oil from the spill reached a lake.

BP four months later had begun inspecting pipelines with "smart pigs," devices inserted to detect abnormalities, when a second leak occurred. The tiny second leak allowed about 1,000 gallons more to spill from another transit line.

With data in hand indicating 16 "anomalies," or other possible corrosive spots, BP shut down part of the massive Prudhoe Bay field.

The partial shutdown brought an economic chill throughout the state and led then-Gov. Frank Murkowski to temporarily freeze hiring until the effects of the interruption on the state budget would

be known.

Cynthia Giles, assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, said BP in 2007 pleaded guilty to criminal charges related to the spills and was ordered to pay \$20 million, including \$12 million in criminal fines.

Cynthia Quarterman, administrator for the Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, said her agency found serious safety problems relating to internal corrosion on the pipelines and ordered BP to correct those problems. BP had a year to address the problems but its willful failure to do so led to filing civil litigation against the company, she said.

The settlement requires BP Alaska to develop a system-wide program to manage pipeline integrity for the company's 1,600 miles of pipeline on the North Slope based on PHMSA's integrity management program. That cost is estimated at \$60 million.

BP will be required to compile information on pipelines and what they carry, ranking them by highest risk. It will be required to provide an electric Web portal and post reports. The information will be public, Quarterman said.

The independent monitor will confirm that BP is complying with requirements of the settlement, Giles said.

"We are not going to just take BP at its word," Giles said.

BP's Rinehart said that since 2006, the company has made significant improvements in pipeline management.

"This includes more staff, more spending, newer technology, more frequent inspections, and fewer leaks," he said.

The company completely replaced Prudhoe Bay oil transit lines and added modern leak detection and anti-corrosion systems at a cost of about \$500 million by the end of 2008, he said.

"We are renovating other pipelines to make them 'piggable,'" he said.

Most of the compliance requirements that are enforceable under the consent decree are met under current BP practices, Rinehart said.

BP operates the Prudhoe Bay field but it's co-owned with ConocoPhillips, Exxon Mobil and Chevron.

The agreement was negotiated with the concurrence of the other working interest owners, Rinehart said, but he declined to discuss any financial arrangements with the other owners.

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Osama bin Ladin unarmed at time of death

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Osama bin Laden was unarmed when Navy SEALs burst into his room and shot him to death, the White House said Tuesday, a change in the official account that raised questions about whether the U.S. ever planned to capture the terrorist leader alive.

The Obama administration was still debating whether to release gruesome images of bin Laden's corpse, balancing efforts to demonstrate to the world that he was dead against the risk that the images could provoke further anti-U.S. sentiment. But CIA Director Leon Panetta said a photograph would be released.

"I don't think there was any question that ultimately a photograph would be presented to the public," Panetta said in an interview with "NBC Nightly News." Asked again later by The Associated Press, he said, "I think it will."

Asked about the final confrontation with bin Laden,

Panetta said: "I don't think he had a lot of time to say anything." The CIA chief told PBS NewsHour, "It was a firefight going up that compound. ... I think it - this was all split-second action on the part of the SEALs."

Panetta said that bin Laden made "some threatening moves that were made that clearly represented a clear threat to our guys. And that's the reason they fired."

The SEALs were back in the U.S. at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington for debriefing on the raid, lawmakers said after meeting with Panetta.

The question of how to present bin Laden's death to the world is a difficult balancing act for the White House. President Barack Obama told Americans that justice had been done, but the White House also declared that bin Laden's body was treated respectfully and sent to rest in a somber ceremony at sea.

Panetta underscored on Tuesday that Obama had given permission to kill the terror



Osama bin Ladin was killed in this compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan. U.S. Navy SEALs were deployed after intelligence suggested a high level target was inside.

leader: "The authority here was to kill bin Laden," he said. "And obviously, under the rules of engagement, if he had in fact thrown up his hands, surrendered and didn't appear to be representing any kind of threat, then they were to capture him. But they had full authority to kill him."

For the long-term legacy of the

most successful counterterrorism operation in U.S. history, the fact that bin Laden was unarmed is unlikely to matter much to the Americans he declared war against. President George W. Bush famously said he wanted bin Laden "dead or alive," and the CIA's top counterterrorism official once promised to bring bin Laden's head back on a

stake.

Yet just 24 hours before the White House acknowledged that bin Laden had been unarmed, Obama's chief counterterrorism adviser, John Brennan, said: "If we had the opportunity to take bin Laden alive, if he didn't present any threat, the individuals involved were able and prepared to do that."

Suspicious package reports rise in NYC

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Within minutes of a news conference at ground zero where authorities preached calm and vigilance after the killing of Osama bin Laden, the alarming 911 call came in.

The caller in Times Square on Monday afternoon reported that a suspicious package was sitting on the sidewalk at West 43rd Street and Eighth Avenue — a mere two blocks from where admitted terrorist Faisal Shahzad had failed in his frightening attempt to blow up a car bomb almost exactly a year earlier.

Unlike the Shahzad case, the scare fizzled out in a more familiar way: The New York Police Department patrol officers who swarmed the area quickly determined the package was a bag of garbage.

The NYPD says such false alarms have become a frequent but necessary annoyance for authorities laboring to protect a nervous city in the post-9/11 world.

There were 10,566 reports of suspicious objects across the five boroughs in 2010. So far this year, the total was 2,775 as of Tuesday compared with 2,477 through the same period last year.

The reports sometimes result in the discovery of explosives that have nothing to do with terror, like when a volunteer doing gardening at a Manhattan cemetery last year dug up a discarded bag containing plastic explosives. But the vast majority of suspicious packages turn out to be nothing more than briefcases, backpacks or shopping bags innocently left unattended or discarded in transportation hubs or other high-traffic locations.

The daily totals typically spike when terrorist plot makes headlines here or overseas, NYPD spokesman Paul Browne said Tuesday. The false alarms themselves sometimes get break-in cable news cover-

age or feed chatter online, fueling further fright.

On Monday, with news of the dramatic military raid of bin Laden's Pakistani lair at full throttle, there were 62 reports of suspicious packages. The previous Monday, the 24-hour total was 18. All were deemed non-threats.

The volume of calls means more work for the NYPD, but Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly said the message stays the same: Keep them coming.

"We anticipate that with increased public vigilance comes an increase in false alarms for suspicious packages," Kelly said at the Monday news conference. "This typically happens at times of heightened awareness. But we don't want to discourage the public. If you see something, say something."

Police procedure calls for patrol officers to respond when someone sees and says something. If they sense a threat, the area is evacuated and heavily armed Emergency Service Unit officers are summoned. If further inspections turns up evidence of a possible explosive, the bomb squad is called in.

On Tuesday, the bomb squad was dispatched after someone left a black suitcase on a subway platform near Penn Station with a front page of bin Laden stuffed in a side pocket. The bag contained nothing but clothing, probably belonging to a homeless man.

That scenario played out differently on May 1, 2010, when a street vendor in Times Square pointed out an SUV belching smoke to an officer on horseback. The officer called in a report of a car fire, flagged down other officers and started evacuating the area.

When firefighters broke the car's side and back windows, they discovered the SUV's sinister contents: three propane tanks, two gallon containers of gasoline and a load of fertilizer, with fireworks and some cheap alarm clocks as a trigger.

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Corps of Engineers blast eases threat to Ill. town



The flood by an intentional break in the Birds Point levee is seen Tuesday, in Mississippi Co., Mo. The Army Corps of Engineers' blew a hole into the levee to take pressure off the rising Mississippi and Ohio rivers.

Associated Press

WYATT, Mo. — The dramatic, late-night demolition of a huge earthen levee sent chocolate-colored floodwaters pouring onto thousands of acres of Missouri farmland Tuesday, easing the threat to a tiny Illinois town being menaced by the Mississippi River.

But the blast near Cairo, Ill., did nothing to ease the risk of more trouble downstream, where the mighty river is expected to rise to its highest levels since the 1920s in some parts of Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana.

"We're making a lot of unfortunate history here in Mississippi in April and May," said Jeff Rent, a spokesman for the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. "We had the historic tornados, and now this could be a historic event."

The Army Corps of Engineers was considering making similar use of other

"floodways" — enormous basins surrounded by giant levees that can be opened to divert floodwaters.

A staccato series of explosions lit up the night sky Monday over the Mississippi with orange flashes and opened a massive hole in the Birds Point levee. A wall of water up to 15 feet high swiftly filled corn, soybean and wheat fields in southeast Missouri.

Upstream at Cairo, which sits precariously at the confluence of the swollen Mississippi and Ohio rivers, preliminary readings suggested the explosion worked.

But across the river, clearing skies gave a heartbreaking view of the inundation triggered by the demolition. The torrent swamped an estimated 200 square miles, washing away crop prospects for this year and damaging or destroying as many as 100 homes.

A group of 25 farmers sued the federal government Tuesday, arguing that their land had been taken without adequate compensation.

At a spot along the Birds Point levee, 56-year-old Ray Presson looked through binoculars to see just how high the water stood at his 101-year-old home and the 2,400 acres he farms around it. Presson is staying with a cousin in nearby Charleston, and he's not sure when, or if, he'll get to go home.

"It could be three weeks. It could be two months," he said. "The government's not giving us any kind of timetable."

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said farmers who had crop insurance will be eligible for government reimbursements if their land was flooded.

Other forms of help will be available for livestock producers and tree farmers under

the same programs designed for natural disasters. People who lost homes may also be eligible for rural housing loans.

Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon, who stood behind the state's failed legal fight to stop the destruction of the levee, said state leaders would do everything "within our power to make sure the levee is rebuilt and those fields, the most fertile fields in the heartland, are put back in production."

By blowing the levee, the corps hoped to reduce the river level at Cairo and ease pressure on the floodwall protecting the town. As of Tuesday afternoon, the Mississippi had receded to 60.2 feet and continued to fall, a day after a record crest.

"Things look slightly better, but we're not out of the woods," Police Chief Gary Hankins said while driving his patrol car past jail inmates assigned to fill sandbags outside an auto-parts store.

But if Cairo and other spots were dodging disaster, ominous flooding forecasts were raising alarm from southeast Missouri to Louisiana and Mississippi.

In Missouri, the town of Caruthersville was bracing for a crest of 49.7 feet later this week. The flood wall protecting the town can hold back up to 50 feet, but a sustained crest will pressure the wall. Workers have been fortifying the concrete and earthen barrier with thousands of sand bags.

Memphis could see a near-record crest of 48 feet on May 10, just inches lower than the record of 48.7 feet in 1937. Water from the Wolf and Loosahatchie rivers has already seeped into parts of the suburbs, and some mobile home parks were inundated.

Flooding fears prompted Shelby County authorities to declare an emergency for 920,000 residents. Authorities blocked some suburban streets, and about 220 people were staying in shelters.

Farther south, the lower Mississippi River was expected to crest well above flood stages in a region still dealing with the aftermath of last week's deadly tornadoes.

Forecasters say the river could break records in Mississippi that were set during catastrophic floods in 1927 and 1937. Gov. Haley Barbour started warning people last week to take precautions if they live in flood-prone areas near the river. He compared the swell of water moving downriver to a pig moving through a python.

Maj. Gen. Michael Walsh — the man ultimately responsible for the decision to go through with breaking the Missouri levee — has indicated that he may not stop. In recent days, Walsh has said he might also make use of other downstream basins surrounded by levees that can intentionally be opened to divert floodwaters.

Unlike the Missouri levee, these floodways can be opened using gates designed for the purpose, not explosives.

Among the structures that could be tapped are the 58-year-old Morganza floodway near Morgan City, La., and the Bonnet Carre floodway about

30 miles north of New Orleans. The Morganza has been pressed into service just once, in 1973. The Bonnet Carre, which was christened in 1932 has been opened nine times since 1937, most recently in 2008.

During a news conference Tuesday night, Walsh characterized the chances of being forced to open the Bonnet Carre flood gates as "high" and the chances at Morganza as "medium." He expects to decide on the Bonnet Carre as early as Thursday, and on Morganza next week.

He said there are no homes in the Bonnet Carre floodway, though there are scattered homes and farmland in the Morganza floodway.

After Memphis, the Mississippi River is expected to crest May 12 at Helena, Ark., and further south in the following days. Forecasters predict record levels at the towns of Vicksburg and Natchez, Miss.

High water has already shut down nine river casinos in northwest Mississippi's Tunica County, where about 600 residents have been evacuated from flood-prone areas on the inside of the levee, said county spokesman Larry Liddell.

"We're concerned, but as long as the levee holds we'll be all right. And we don't have any doubt that the levee is going to hold," Liddell said. "We have the strongest levees in the country."

Retired Major Gen. Tom Sands, a former president of the Mississippi River Commission and former Army Corps engineer, said the corps was pursuing a plan to manage the high water with spillways and other release valves, such as hundreds of relief wells that take water out of the river.

The Mississippi River is carrying about 2.3 million cubic feet of water per second, and the levee system along it was designed to handle 3 million cubic feet of water per second at the Old River Control Structure, a massive floodgate north of Baton Rouge to keep the Mississippi River from diverting course and flowing into the Atchafalaya River.

Back in Missouri, Mark and Rebecca Dugan took pictures atop the Birds Point levee of their farmland — 3,000 acres. This year's wheat was a bumper crop and ready for harvest. Mark figures it was worth \$350,000 to \$400,000. All told, he estimates he will lose \$1.8 million in gross revenue from the breach.

The couple said the government owes it to landowners below the levee to make full reparations, but both were skeptical it would happen.

"What do they say are the nine scariest words in the English language?" Rebecca Dugan said, "I'm from the government and I'm here to help."

Walsh acknowledged it could be late summer or early fall before the water fully drains off the land. Sediment and moisture could do lasting damage.

"This is where generations and generations live," Walsh said. "I understand that, but this was one of the relief valves for the system. We were forced to use that valve."

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At every cocktail party you attend, you are the most loved person at the event. You are smart, friendly and great at what you do. Soon enough, after a few more great quarters and leading the company into the black yet again, you gain the attention of the national publications.

Your hometown loves you and recognizes you as the prodigal son. As far as they know, you can do no wrong. In an effort to push the company even further, you ask for the company to expand into different countries and for more help around the office.

Without your consent and out of your control, the owner of the company decides to expand into Ethiopia and Burma. You are hopeful that these moves can guide the company to the top of the business world. They, however, backfire and cause a massive loss, destroying your chance to be the best business in the world. Your company has tried to help you — it just did not work.

You have graced the cover of Business Week multiple times in the past couple years. You have been ranked in the Forbes 400 as one of the top earners in America. But that is not enough.

All of your closest friends have moved on to bigger and better jobs, garnering international praise for their superb work. Some of them have guided their companies into the top spot on the Fortune 500 list. You are proud of them, but at the same time very jealous of their accomplishments.

Suddenly, a reputable East Coast firm with power executives already aboard contacts you, offering the same position you had back home. You will have to sacrifice some money and some freedom in your decisions but you realize this is your best chance to rule the business world with a few close friends. The move is popular with your family, who see this as a great opportunity.

You do want to remain loyal to your hometown company, but they have shown that they cannot make your dreams come true and you have reached their ceiling.

Pick a side.

If you picked the snazzy new East Coast firm, congratulations, you have just taken your talents to South Beach. You can now stop hating on the Heat and begin to embrace The Decision.

Because it was your choice too.

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For the sake of life

Many people have written, both here in The Observer and in other publications around the world, about how the killing of Osama bin Laden is not a cause for celebration. They say that it is never right to rejoice at the death of another human being, no matter how heinous his crimes. They make further accusations against the government that orchestrated bin Laden's death and the people who celebrated it that our policies of war and retaliation only increase the hatred directed against us. Some within the Notre Dame community have also said that those Catholics who celebrated bin Laden's death are pro-life only with respect to abortion and have failed to observe Christ's commandment to love one's enemies and forgive those who have done injury.

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I believe that these people, though they are right in many ways, are wrong in others. Americans of all religions, weary of the cost in blood and treasure that we have paid and will continue to pay in the war on terrorism, are losing sight of the reality of human evil within the world. They decry as immoral the regrettable but certainly just and necessary measures civilized people must take to curb such evil and prevent it from infecting every corner of the planet. When we can find no better means of protecting ourselves and our allies, we must fight vigorously and decisively against those who threaten us.

As Catholics, Christ calls us to promote a culture of life throughout the world. Such a culture respects the fundamental right that each person has to live a full life from conception until natural death. Many within the Church argue that the use of military force unjustly violates the right to life of those upon whom we wage war so often, that we can only legitimately use it against a massive direct assault upon our nation.

I respectfully disagree with this view. Osama bin Laden and others like him are sworn enemies of the culture of life. Bin Laden could have chosen to live pleasantly and peacefully as a rich Saudi prince, but instead sought to dominate and control other human beings through violence and fear. Bin Laden's al-Qaida massacred

thousands of innocent civilians in a brutal and unprovoked attack on America and they have also killed tens and maybe even hundreds of thousands of Muslim civilians in the name of expanding their power and influence. No life has any value whatsoever to a man like bin Laden. His organization slaughtered the people for whom it claimed to fight and even encouraged its own members to destroy themselves for the cause by becoming suicide bombers. Such people have no cause other than power and no method other than savagery.

The human race is one body in Christ, but just as our broken and imperfect bodies become diseased and need harsh and painful medicine in order to heal, so the body of humanity sometimes needs to be cut and cauterized to remove those parts of it that threaten to destroy the whole. We are called to love those like bin Laden who have been corrupted and to pray for their conversion, but our leaders cannot stand idly by waiting for a miracle when they have the responsibility to protect both us and the people of the nations with whom we have continuing security arrangements. If the infection of evil continues to fester in the world despite our best peaceful efforts, we have no choice but to excise it through violent means.

Martin Luther King, Jr., a great advocate of peace, brotherhood and nonviolence, once said that, "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." I believe that cancerous members of the human body like Osama bin Laden are a threat to the sanctity of life everywhere and that trying to ignore them into irrelevance by withdrawing from our international diplomatic and military involvements is dangerous and irresponsible. The only reason al-Qaida and similar terrorist groups have not been able to acquire weapons of mass destruction and carry out the kind of devastating attacks that would provoke even the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to take up M16s and charge into battle is that American and allied military and intelligence units have been tirelessly pursuing and eradicating such groups throughout the globe.

Foreign military intervention is still a regrettable occurrence. We cannot and should not deploy troops to resolve every case of injustice, oppression and illegiti-

mate violence that exists in the world. We must work tirelessly to pursue peaceful solutions to the conflicts that threaten Americans and people of all nations. However, when conflicts and tensions escalate too rapidly for nonviolent means to take effect, we must reserve the right to strike quickly and decisively in the interest of our people and of humanity in general.

The recent conflict in Libya is a good example of this. If we consider President Obama's statements and actions leading up to the NATO air campaign, we can see that he desperately did not want to use military force again after Iraq and Afghanistan. He could not stand idly by and watch Gadhafi's forces massacre them and their families in a hail of rockets, bombs and shells, so he offered what forces he had to do what they could, as they are still doing now.

Those Americans who cheered and danced in the streets after hearing that Osama bin Laden was dead celebrated the death of a human being, an occasion for regret, not joy. However, unlike those who celebrated the fall of the World Trade Center, these Americans rejoiced at the death of a man who had dedicated his life to the pursuit of illegitimate power by any means necessary, including the mass murder of innocents. Bin Laden was still an important figurehead and recruiting tool for al-Qaida, the Taliban and their affiliates up to the time of his death. His demise dealt a heavy blow to the radical Islamic terrorist movement and saved the lives of many American, European, Middle Eastern and South Asian soldiers and civilians who would have been killed in attacks by his followers, as well as the lives of those young men whom he would have rallied to death for the terrorist cause with his continued video broadcasts. The protection of these lives is an occasion for hope and happiness. I hope we never have to face such an enemy again, but if we must, I pray that we will have the strength and courage to swiftly end his reign of terror for the sake of life itself.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A sigh of relief

On September 11, 2001 and the time following, our nation had never been so unified. Together we mourned the deaths of hundreds of innocent people and embraced those who were directly affected by this terrible event. We watched in horror and disbelief as people half a world away burned our flag and celebrated the death of our citizens. How could such evil exist in this world?

Fast forward to the late hours of May 1, 2011. Americans are again unified. Justice has been done and the world is indeed rid of a man who killed without cause and with malice in his heart.

But watching Notre Dame students spill out onto the quads Sunday night left me with mixed emotions. I couldn't help but think back to those burning flags I saw 10 years ago. Is it right to be celebrating death in this way? Or should we once again take this opportunity to embrace the families this man affected and left with gaping holes in their hearts? Though we'd all like to think it, no death of any one man will ever erase what happened, or ever fill the shoes of lost loved ones.

This is without a doubt a time to be patriotic and a time for all of us to breathe a sigh of relief. I am in no way equating the celebrations of American citizens to the celebrations of terrorists after the 9/11 attacks. Let's not even make them remotely similar. Let's make this sigh of relief a somber one and ask, "How could such evil have existed in the world, and how could such evil still remain?"

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May 2

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The camera makes everyone a tourist in other people's reality, and eventually in one's own."

Susan Sontag
U.S. author and literary theorist

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The right word may be effective, but no word was ever as effective as a rightly timed pause."

Mark Twain
U.S. humorist and novelist

True significance of bin Laden's death

Late Sunday night President Obama appeared before the nation and announced Osama bin Laden's death. This announcement sparked exuberant celebration across campus and the entire country. Students ran cheering through LaFortune and crowds gathered in Times Square. There is nothing wrong with celebrating this moment. One of

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Guest Columnist

America's greatest enemies has been brought to the end he so justly deserved.

Unfortunately, the celebration over bin Laden's death misses a larger point: Osama bin Laden hasn't mattered in the global war on terrorism for several years.

The President certainly seemed to think that bin Laden mattered. In his speech he proclaimed, "The death of bin Laden marks the most significant achievement to date in our nation's effort to defeat al-Qaida." However, overwhelming evidence from the security community suggests otherwise. As Dr. James Lindsay of the Council on Foreign Relations points out, "Al-Qaida long ago ceased to be a centralized operation. For the last decade bin Laden has been [more of] a figurehead than a mastermind." Bin Laden was found in a com-

pound with no telephones or internet; security was so tight that trash was burned in the courtyard rather than being disposed of outside. Bin Laden clearly posed little or no operational threat — regional cells assumed that role long ago.

Nevertheless, many American leaders have argued that Osama's death is a large symbolic blow to al-Qaida. This is once again incorrect. As Dr. Lindsay writes, "Men die, symbols don't. In death, bin Laden will continue to inspire jihadists as much as he did in life."

This goes to the heart of the fundamental point: American bullets don't really threaten al-Qaida. For every terrorist killed, more will rise up to take his or her place. What really threatens al-Qaida are the rapid changes taking place across the Middle East. From Tunisia to Egypt to Syria, average citizens are calling for civil rights, representative democracy and greater economic openness. They are rejecting the oppression and stagnation of the status quo in favor of a world that looks much more like the West.

This scares al-Qaida — not a single major figure from al-Qaida has spoken out since the beginning of the Arab Spring. Al-Qaida's philosophy of hatred and spite sits awkwardly alongside the demands of pro-

testers, and al-Qaida's leaders now realize that their beliefs have not taken root in the population at large. Bin Laden's death does not change the basic dynamics of the Middle East. In Egypt, the most important state in the region, 80 million citizens are waiting for economic growth and democratic change. Egypt has the power and influence to help transform the region, but only if Egypt herself can become a true democracy. Economic growth would give a nascent Egyptian democracy time to grow and mature, but if this growth fails to materialize, protesters may demand more radical change, which could only benefit al-Qaida.

The West has the power to prevent this from happening. Egypt needs an investment program similar to the Marshall Plan, which used massive investments in infrastructure to rebuild post-war Europe and prevented the continent from turning towards communism. Such a plan would give Egypt's democracy time to mature, and would help sustain the type of movement toward liberalization and democracy that will one day sweep al-Qaida away altogether.

It is highly ironic that bin Laden's death coincides with the greatest changes the Middle East has seen in 50 years. Bin

Laden's true legacy will be the utter rejection of his philosophy by the people he sought to turn against the West. It is now clear that bin Laden himself has lost.

However, it is far from clear that the West has won. Frustrated protesters across the Middle East may not be so moderate in the future if they have to endure another generation of broken promises. The U.S., in conjunction with her allies and the international community, has the power to prevent this. How appropriate would it be if the U.S. announced a major aid program to countries seeking freedom in the same year that bin Laden was killed?

Americans do not like fighting wars in the Middle East. Nevertheless, we will find that more wars and interventions are the only way to protect our interests unless we have the collective will to invest the resources necessary to make the region forever inhospitable to al-Qaida.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A day of mourning

Following the news about the death of Osama bin Laden, I found myself deeply unsettled by the reactions I observed both in the American public at large, and particularly within the Notre Dame community. After hearing the shouts and chants of the crowd on God Quad from my room on Sunday night, I ventured outside to get a closer look and was greeted with a raucous and joyous celebration not unlike the celebrations we witness after a big football win. It bears considering, however, whether this is the appropriate reaction to the undeniably momentous news of bin Laden's death.

I do not wish to argue about whether his death is an expression of justice, nor do I seek to demean in any way the accomplishment of this operation. However, this is not a victory in a sporting event, despite the nature of the celebrations on campus. First and foremost, this is the death of a human being, something that ought to be mourned, not celebrated. On this occasion, I mourn that we live in a world where it is necessary to end the life of a human being in order to

protect the lives of others, and I mourn that we must continue this most recent cycle of violence that began nearly 10 years ago on September 11, 2001.

To this end, I ask not that everyone agree with me, nor that such celebrations cease. I ask only this: before you use bin Laden's death as a reason to go out and party this week, or post your next Facebook status about the glorious U.S. victory over terror, ask yourself why you are celebrating. The death of one man does not bring back the victims of terrorist attacks, nor does it signal an end to the threat of terrorism. Perhaps then, this occasion ought to serve not as a celebration of an American triumph, but as a solemn remembrance of lives lost as we struggle even now to move on from the tragic events of the last decade.

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May 2

Celebrate America

On Sunday night, most of the student body reacted positively to the successful assassination attempt of Osama Bin Laden. Many rallied, celebrating the demise of America's greatest enemy. Hundreds sang patriotic songs well after midnight and fireworks decorated the sky on Stepan Fields.

But, on Monday, some expressed doubt whether it was right to celebrate anyone's murder, even of someone as evil as bin Laden. After all, Jesus said, "Love thy enemies." Can we justifiably glorify a man's murder? The short answer is no.

But, the real answer is that none of us were celebrating the death of one man. We were glorifying something much greater and more important than any individual.

I'm from New York and I remember 9/11 too clearly. I remember the pain the attacks caused friends and family and I remember the fear that permeated throughout the community thereafter. All New Yorkers, even total strangers, came together. Tragedy made us remember what was truly important.

Of course, the rest of the country embraced and supported the people of New York. A sense of patriotism swept throughout the USA and soon President Bush declared a war on

terrorism that still continues. The war began with a promise to the terrorists that they couldn't get away with attacking the world's greatest country without facing justice.

To that effect, America has been successful. To say the least, Iraq's dictator has been deposed and there have been no large scale attacks on U.S. soil since 9/11.

But, September 11's mastermind still lived. Bin Laden still enjoyed life years after he ordered the killing of thousands of innocents. The man who caused so much suffering and who empowered the world's deadliest terrorist force had not been silenced.

On Sunday, the U.S. showed the terrorists they could not attack our great nation and then hide safely in the Middle East. On Sunday, al-Qaida experienced a serious blow. On Sunday, we made good on that promise. Essentially, we weren't celebrating a murder. We were celebrating the victory of justice over evil.

We were celebrating America.

John P. Hough
senior
off campus
May 3

Call to holiness

Last week, I willingly gave up a night of sleep to watch a European event happen on live television. And no, it was not the Royal Wedding. Instead, very early on Sunday morning, I saw Pope Benedict XVI beatify his predecessor, the now Blessed Pope John Paul II. It was a beautiful and moving ceremony. St. Peter's Square and the surrounding streets of Rome were filled with people there to rejoice with the Church and witness this step of the formal declaration of John Paul II's holiness. Many of those people had probably seen John Paul sometime while he was alive, too. I myself once saw the back of his head as he drove down the street in his Popemobile during a 1999 visit to St. Louis.

As a member of the "JP II generation," he was the only Pope I knew growing up. I am only now beginning to realize the impact he had on the Church, and the whole world through his preaching, his writings, his leadership and his example. He proclaimed a Springtime of New Evangelization in the Church and especially inspired young people to live lives of radical holiness. He embodied the joy of Christian life, but taught us also that this joy does not come without suffering.

George Weigel titled his biography of Pope John Paul II "Witness to Hope," and he was exactly that at every moment of his life. He continues to be even after death. He called us to holiness, and is now being held up by the Church as a model of that very holiness and as an intercessor in Heaven. He shows us that sainthood is possible; that saints are real people! More than ever, he is speaking the same words to us as he did at the beginning of his pontificate, "Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!"

Blessed John Paul II, pray for us.

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May 3

Honor the sacrifice

When I heard that bin Laden had been killed, I took to my friend's vuvuzela and I am not ashamed. While I myself did not lose any friends or family on 9/11, my father lost 343 brothers at the World Trade Center. As an assistant chief at my hometown fire department, my father trained in New York City and had many friends who lost their lives that day. It seemed as if he was driving to the city in his class A uniform every week to attend the funeral of a fallen brother. To this day, FDNY is being affected by the events of Ground Zero. A close family friend was forced into retirement because he developed asthma from all the dust at the scene. Every department has memorials outside their doors in honor of those who gave their lives to save others.

Yes, I celebrated and I will continue to celebrate for these men. I will celebrate in honor of every innocent man, woman, and child who died that day. I will celebrate in honor of those who are overseas willing to sacrifice their lives in order to keep me free and safe at home.

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Morrissey Manor
May 3



The Humor Artists Present

QUATRO DE MAYO

A SalsHA Themed Night of Comedy

By ANKUR CHAWLA
Scene Writer

The Humor Artists are performing their annual year-end show in the William J. Carey Auditorium at the Hesburgh Library tonight at 7 p.m. The Humor Artists, the on-campus improv and sketch comedy group with more than 20 undergrads and graduate students, are putting on this show to celebrate classes ending and the imminent summer break.

The Humor Artists have titled their show “Quatro de Mayo — A SalsHA themed Night of Comedy.”

“It’s about awareness. Everyone

knows about the holiday Cinco de Mayo, but nobody knows about Quatro de Mayo. That’s what this show really is about,” co-president Brian Rogers said.

The show will not only feature more than a dozen improvisation games, many of which have appeared on the popular television show “Whose Line is it Anyway?” but also four sketches written by J.P. Zivalich and group secretary Alec Vanthournout.

The sketches for this show are titled “The Ballad of High Pitched Willy,” the story of a man whose voice never changed, “Were they Drunk?” a game show, “The Big

Dance,” which is reminiscent of a junior high dance (or Domerfest) and “What about Bob?” a sketch in which people speculate why a friend is late, giving ridiculous possible explanations.

The show will be the last performance for several seniors, including Mike McDonnell, Kate Hunger, Kaitlyn Conway, Stephen Mattingly and Will Seath — a seven-year member of the group.

“The seniors have been great assets to the group this year and deserve to end with the best improv comedy show this campus has ever seen,” Rodgers said, “That is, until I’m a senior.”

There is a \$1 cover charge, which will go to the South Bend Women’s Center.

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On campus

What: “Quatro de Mayo— A SalsHA Themed Night of Comedy
Where: Carey Auditorium, Hesburgh Library
When: Wednesday, May 4th, at 7.30 p.m.
How much: \$1

FASHION

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The Versatile

Maxi Dress

By FELICIA CAPONIGRI
Scene Writer

Every May, as the spring semester draws to a close and the weeks of final papers and exams fall upon us, I am faced with a most revolting dilemma. This dilemma has stalked me every year of my academic pursuits, and once again I find myself in its clutches. I

know I am not alone in facing this dilemma of epic proportions. Due to the aforementioned mountain of academic commitments, we all find ourselves inside the library or other chamber of study solitude — insert your own favorite study space here — typing away while that gorgeous sun calls to us with its blatantly impassioned rays of light.

This is a dilemma because of the pure torment it creates between our academic and ‘fun in the sun’ personalities. However, when we inevitably meld our



Maria Lamas models the maxi dress

two desires, finally bringing our work onto the quad with reckless abandon in order to accomplish our study goals and get the de rigueur tan we need to start the summer off right, we are faced with a fearful fashion challenge. Grass stains, wind and flying balls from overzealous boys engaging in an outdoor game of baseball now must exist in the same environment as books, loose-

leaf paper, sticky notes and highlighters. What fashion item could possibly serve both the purposes of a study environment and a grassy knoll? In what article of clothing can I both worship the sun, getting minimal tan lines in the process, and still be chic in the halls of academia and out in the elements?

The answer to this question, my fellow fashionistas, has been well hypothesized by our Parisian counterparts. They have faced the same dilemma when studying on the wide grassy

expanse facing Invalides — although there the problem is compounded by very vocal, enchantingly-engaging Frenchmen whizzing by on Vespas and in voitures. What is this article of clothing, which can perfectly meld your study experience with today’s beautiful weather? I give you — the maxi dress.

A longer version of your favorite sundress, the maxi dress is characterized by its length. It should sweep the floor, grazing your ankles at the very shortest. Giving the illusion of a party dress made for day, the greatest thing about the maxi dress is its mobility. The yards of fabric in the skirt allow you to at once protect yourself from the dreadful air conditioning of the indoors, and also artfully arrange the material around your gams, creating the illusion of a shorter sundress. You can lay out in the sun properly and get that tan you so deserve after long hours spent

researching.

Moreover, fret not about the wind. The longer skirt will billow about you producing a most romantic vision of

carefree existence. Color-wise, choosing from a darker palette will deflate any worries about grass stains and such. Of course, if you want to be noticed, brights are enticing against a spring green backdrop. The top of the sundress can be anything from halter to spaghetti strap to bandeau — choose what flatters you most. Flats are of course the most practical shoe with which to pair it, although a high sandal can also give an overall statuesque impression. Material

should ideally be soft cotton. Old Navy currently offers a lovely bright yellow variety for \$29.50. Dilemma, I vanquish you, in the name of summer style.



Yellow Maxi dress, Old Navy, \$29.50

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By MARIA FERNANDEZ
Scene Writer

Name: Shelby Grubbs

Spotted: Lewis Hall

As I was walking to the Lewis Hall Party Room for one of the last dorm activities of the year, I saw Shelby wearing this really cute and stylish outfit. Her dark skinny jeans look great with her ruffled and colorful floral-printed blouse and white short-sleeved cardigan. Her brown flip-flops, big round watch and assortment of bracelets add to and complete her fashionable ensemble. Shelby definitely knows how to mix and match prints and solid pieces, creating the perfect end-of-the-school-year spring look.

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NBA

Rose named MVP, leads Bulls into Game 2

Associated Press

LINCOLNSHIRE, Ill. — Right from the start, Derrick Rose wondered why he couldn't be the MVP. It turns out, nothing could stop him.

Rose officially became the NBA's youngest MVP on Tuesday and joined Michael Jordan as the only Bulls player to win the award, which was no surprise given his spectacular season and Chicago's leap to a league-leading 62 wins.

He has a ways to go before he catches Jordan, who won five MVPs and led the way to two championship three-peats, but he sure is off to a good start.

"I'm not even touching that man right there," Rose said. "I'm far away from him. If anything, it would be great to be close to him. This is a different team, a different era."

In his third year, the dynamic point guard led the Bulls to their best season since the championship era.

The 22-year-old Rose got 1,182 points and 113 first-place votes from a panel of media voters, supplanting Wes Unseld as the youngest to win the award with a runaway win. Orlando's Dwight Howard

(643 points) finished second, Miami's LeBron James was third, the Lakers' Kobe Bryant was fourth and Oklahoma City star Kevin Durant finished fifth.

A product of Chicago's South Side, Rose established himself as one of the top players in the league after going from Rookie of the Year to All-Star in his first two seasons. He took another step this year with one of the best all-around performances by a point guard.

He averaged 25 points and 7.7 assists while leading Chicago into contention for its first championship since the Jordan-Scottie Pippen era. For all the groaning over the Bulls missing out on James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh in free agency, they did quite well for themselves anyway.

Rose showed up to training camp openly wondering why he couldn't be MVP. Then, he backed it up.

"It really just came out," Rose said. "That's the way I thought at the time. I put a lot of hard work into my game, especially during the summer. ... I dedicated my whole summer to basketball. Even though it was tough, I did it."

Rose was a picture of humility during the news confer-

ence. He thanked everyone from the fans to his teammates, coaches and management, and he choked up when he mentioned his mom, Brenda Rose, and older brothers seated in the front row.

At one point, he looked at her and paused.

"Just thinking how hard she works," he said. "Those are hard days. My days shouldn't be hard because I love what I'm doing. That's playing basketball. You keep me going every day and I love you."

Rose ranked seventh in scoring and 10th in assists, making him the only player this season in the top 10 in both categories. The only other Bull to do so was Jordan in 1988-89, when he led the league in scoring (32.5 points) and finished 10th in assists, according to information provided to the team by the Elias Sports Bureau.

Throw in a 4.1 rebounding average, and Rose joins another elite group. He's the seventh player in league history to average at least 25 points, 7.5 assists and 4.0 rebounds, along with Jordan, Oscar Robertson, Jerry West, Larry Bird, Wade and James, according to Elias.

"We all knew how good he

could be," veteran forward Luol Deng said. "It's a big surprise for all of us how quick he got there. We knew he was going to get there; we said that from the start. He's just a hard worker, a humble kid. He's really out there just to win games."

In the postseason, he's been just as impressive.

He scored 39 and 36 points in the first two playoff games against Indiana. Then he shook off two sub-par performances and a sprained left ankle to score 25 points in Game 5 as the top-seeded Bulls closed out what had been a tight first-round series with a 116-89 victory.

They stumbled in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinals against Atlanta, losing 103-95. Rose scored 24 points, but he hit just 11 of 27 shots and did not attempt a free throw. He also limped off the court after twisting his left ankle, but expects to be ready for Game 2 on Wednesday.

It's been a rapid, steady climb for a player who came into the league with soaring expectations. He helped Simeon Career Academy become the first Chicago Public League team to win back-to-back state champi-

onships, then led Memphis to the NCAA championship game before the Bulls drafted him with the No. 1 pick in 2008 after defying 1.7-percent odds to win the lottery.

"I'll never forget the morning after we got that pick where we got the entire management staff together to meet," general manager Gar Forman said.

They knew then who they were picking.

And when they started talking to him, Forman said, "It was obvious to us that not only was Derrick a very special talent, but he possessed the intangibles that you need to become a very special player in this league. Going into that draft, I remember our feeling was this is too good to be true."

Now?

"Our feeling is still this is really too good to be true," Forman said.

Rose has added new touches to his game every season, expanding the range on his jumper to go with those explosive drives to the basket.

"He's been everything you could ask for," coach Tom Thibodeau said. "He's been a leader, a player. He's only going to get better."

MLB

Indians' Choo arrested for DUI, remains in starting lineup

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Indians outfielder Shin-Soo Choo was arrested Monday on suspicion of drunken driving after a breathalyzer test showed he had a blood-alcohol level of .201 — more than double Ohio's legal limit of .08.

Choo, the sixth major league player to be cited on a drunken driving charge this year, was arrested by police in Sheffield Lake, Ohio, after he failed a field sobriety test. An officer following Choo's white Cadillac SUV said he was driving erratically before he was stopped.

Choo on Tuesday apologized to fans, the team, the club and his family "for the attention stemming from this matter."

"I am hopeful that this incident will not be a distraction to the Indians organization while we remain focused on continuing to play winning baseball," he said in

a statement released by the Indians.

The 28-year-old South Korean traveled with the team and was expected to be in the starting lineup Tuesday night, when the Indians were to open a three-game series against the Oakland Athletics. Cleveland began the week with the best record in the majors.

Indians general manager Chris Antonetti said the club has spoken to Choo about the incident.

"The Indians organization takes these issues very seriously and we are disappointed in the matter," Antonetti said in a statement. "We will continue to monitor the situation and we will not have any further comment at this time."

According to police, a patrolman first spoke to Choo at 2:25 a.m. He told the officer he was lost and needed directions to Avon Lake. Choo was allowed to

continue driving, but was later pulled over when he twice crossed the double-yellow lines and drifted into a bike path. He told the officer his GPS had broken and he was unable to get directions home.

Choo's eyes were bloodshot and he smelled of "an alcoholic beverage," police said, and he was ordered out of the SUV.

Choo was unable to complete a heel-to-toe walking test, losing his balance and he failed two other sobriety tests, the report said. He was taken to the police station and was given the breathalyzer test. Choo was charged with operating a vehicle under the influence, having an excessive blood-alcohol level and a traffic violation.

He was released without bond and was driven home. While being escorted outside by an officer, Choo reportedly smashed his camera in the parking lot.



Indians right fielder Shin-Soo Choo chases down a grounder in a game against the Baltimore Orioles in Cleveland Friday.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish have eyes set on NCAA Final Four spot

By MATTHEW ROBISON
Sports Writer

Coming into the season, No. 20 Notre Dame had two goals: win the Big East championship and, like last season, make a run at the Final Four and a possible national championship. After this weekend's title win, the Irish are halfway there.

With a 5-2 victory over South Florida in the Big East championship match Sunday at home at the Courtney Tennis Center, the Irish captured their fourth straight conference championship. Tuesday, they earned a berth in the national championships in Palo Alto, Calif.

"We are really excited for the NCAAs to begin," Irish junior Shannon Mathews said. "Coming off the Big East tournament we are really happy with our doubles performances."

Directly in their path to the semifinals is the team that ended their dreams of winning the national title last season. No. 1 Stanford is undefeated and hosts the tournament as the odds-on favorite to take it all. If the Irish want to make it as far as they did last season, they will have to knock off the Cardinals in the third round. Their task begins against Fresno State.

"We know that Fresno State is going to be a tough first round match for us," Mathews said. "We hope we have the opportunity to get some revenge on Northwestern who beat us."

The Bulldogs are 11-13 coming into the tournament, but play in the perennially brutal Pac-10 conference.

"We are excited to play Fresno State in the first round," Irish sophomore Chrissie McGaffigan said. "Northwestern and IPFW are also in our bracket and are both tough."

Although Notre Dame's season has gone according to plan so far — a solid regular season, a Big East title and an NCAA tournament berth — the Irish have not been without their fair share of adversity this season.

In the heart of its regular season schedule, Notre Dame dropped three straight to Baylor, USF and Duke. The Irish could have collapsed and let their season slip through their hands. Instead, Notre Dame battled back and ended the season with five straight wins, seeking vengeance

against the Bulls Sunday to take the conference crown.

"We are continuing to work hard on things the coaches want us to focus on," McGaffigan said. "We are playing stronger with every match and are peaking at just the right time."

A strong corps of veterans including juniors Kristy Frilling and Mathews and senior Kristen Rafael have led the Irish all season. Frilling, the No. 4 singles player in the country, played the entire season at No. 1 singles and did not disappoint. She went 26-5 overall this season and has 84 career victories. Mathews, named the Big East tournament Most Outstanding Player, is similarly strong in her spot at No. 2 singles, going 5-1 in conference play. Mathews has also won her last five starts. Rafael, the lone senior on the squad, went 11-9 in the duals season, earned 67 career victories and won her last six decisions.

With an unusually high number of freshmen on the team, veteran leadership has been a key to Notre Dame's success.

Yet that does not mean freshmen have not contributed as well. Jennifer Kellner has excelled in her first season with the Irish, going 24-5 overall, as she spent most of the season at No. 3 singles.

Doubles has also been a strong point for the balanced Irish squad this season. Overall, the Irish were 64-35 in doubles. Mathews said going into the singles portion with a lead is always positive.

"We hope to continue to build on this momentum in doubles as well as the competitive nature we all demonstrated in our singles play," Mathews said.

With 64 teams in the NCAA championship bracket, the task can seem daunting. But ultimately it comes down to being the better team on any given day, Mathews said.

"We just want to take the NCAAs one match at a time," she said. "There are many great teams in the draw, but we are peaking at the right time."

The NCAA championships get underway May 13 and run until the national championship in Palo Alto, Calif., on May 24. Notre Dame's first matchup is against Fresno State May 13 in Evanston, Ill.

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Saints work out as a team

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Drew Brees was back in the heart of a huddle, albeit an unusual one in an uncertain time.

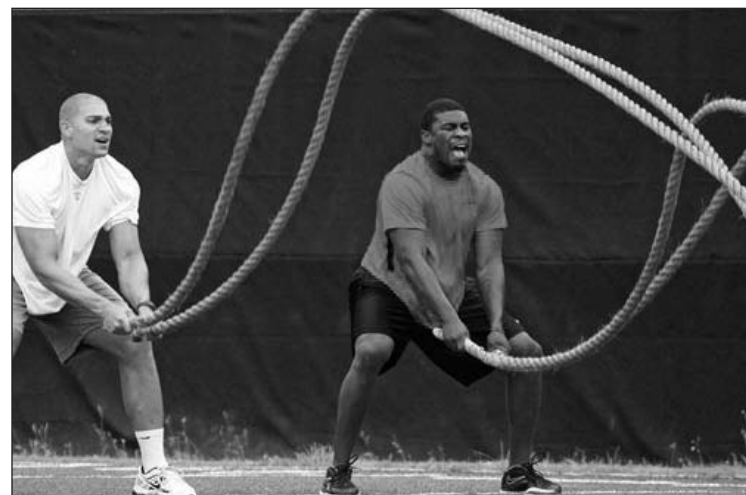
Gathered around New Orleans' star quarterback were not just offensive players, but defenders and specialists. There were players currently under contract with the Saints and some who are not.

Brees secured access to Tulane's facilities and called on teammates to join him for the workouts. Nearly 40 of them did on Tuesday, taking cues from one of the few leaders they have while the NFL lockout prevents them from training on team property or contacting coaches.

We would all be working out somewhere anyway, so why not do it together and why not do it in an organized fashion where it's very football-related," Brees said. "It's preparing us to have a championship season, and I feel like it's putting us way ahead of other teams around the league, just by the fact that we're so organized."

Normally, May and June are months for organized offseason workouts and minicamps, all of which will be canceled if the lockout lingers into midsummer. So players on a number of teams around the league have begun to gather in some form.

New York Jets quarterback Mark Sanchez invited teammates to join him in California for what he's calling the Jets West Camp. Broncos safety Brian Dawkins has organized some workouts with about a dozen teammates in the Denver



New Orleans tight end Jimmy Graham, left, and linebacker Jolonn Dunbar work out at Tulane University Tuesday.

Cleveland quarterback Colt McCoy hosted some Browns teammates for workouts in Austin, Texas.

More than a dozen Miami Dolphins, including quarterback Chad Henne and have been working out together regularly on a soccer field near the team complex. The group includes Chad Henne and offensive tackle Jake Long.

Falcons linebacker Coy Wire and right tackle Tyson Clabo have organized workouts that about 30 teammates have attended in Cumming, Ga.

After Saints players broke their huddle with Brees, they divided into groups and started conditioning and agility drills. Most wore shorts and T-shirts. None wore helmets.

Brees said work on formations and plays — even film study — may come later, depending on how long the lock-

out lasts, but there will be "absolutely no contact." He added that about three workouts per week are planned for May and parts of June, mimicking what the Saints would normally do in the months leading up to training camp.

Left tackle Jermon Bushrod, fullback Heath Evans and safeties Roman Harper and Darren Sharper were among those who showed up despite not having contracts nailed down for next season.

Bushrod said he saw the workouts as an opportunity to "get back to where I need to be to be successful, and that's pretty much how everybody looks at it, whether your contract situation is a little hazy or not."

Still, some key players whose contracts are in limbo, such as receiver Lance Moore, did not show, but Brees didn't begrudge their absences.

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish dominate Valpo, will host Pittsburgh in doubleheader

By KELSEY MANNING
Sports Writer

With consistent pitching that kept eight Crusaders stranded on base and an explosive offensive effort kicked off by an early two-run home run by junior Dani Miller, Notre Dame dismantled in-state rival Valparaiso by a count of 10-2 in six innings yesterday.

The game showcased the two elements of the game No. 21 Notre Dame (39-8, 14-1 Big East) has improved upon most this season, junior outfielder Alexa Maldonado said.

“Our biggest change [from the beginning of the season] is getting key hits when they are needed,” Maldonado said. “In the beginning of the season we were leaving a lot of runners in scoring position stranded on base. Now we are getting key hits from every spot in the lineup.”

Miller’s first-inning homer was her fourth in as many career contests against the Crusaders, a series in which Notre Dame has now claimed victory for the 30th time in a row. In just her second start as a designated hitter, freshman outfielder Lauren Stuhr added a two-run homer of her own during the fourth to

put the Irish up four. She had two hits and four RBIs in the contest, as did senior slugger Heather Johnson, while Maldonado and senior catcher Lex Clay both scored twice.

Though the Crusaders (30-19-1) managed to get four hits off freshman pitcher Laura Winter and cut the Irish lead in half, two innings of scoreless relief by sophomore pitcher Brittany O’Donnell were enough to keep Valparaiso at a safe distance.

Tonight the Irish face Big East opponent Pittsburgh in a home doubleheader in Melissa Cook Stadium. The game will be televised on ESPNU, and Maldonado said the team is ready to show how far they have come.

“We look forward to our TV games every year,” she said.

“It’s so exciting because it’s like being famous. We are definitely extra motivated to win because we know a lot of people are watching us. We don’t want to embarrass ourselves. We will be looking to definitely playing our best softball.”

As the Irish try to hold on to their top spot in the Big East as the postseason grows closer, Maldonado said the main obstacle will be mental focus.

“The most difficult thing to deal with is staying relaxed and not getting frustrated,” Maldonado said. “The better competition we play, the bigger the challenge. Even if beating these teams is more difficult, we need to stay calm and continue to focus on getting the job done.”

This will be especially crucial as the squad wraps up

regular season play this weekend with a series at Connecticut.

“The biggest challenge that Connecticut will pose this weekend will definitely be that we could have a philosophy to take them lightly,” Maldonado said. “However, we will not do that. As long as we don’t play down to their level, we will beat them. They’re the kind of team that if we let them stay in the game they will keep fighting. We just need to put them away early.”

The Irish will attempt to build on an eight game win streak as they take on Pittsburgh this evening at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. at Melissa Cook Stadium. Coverage will begin at 4 p.m. on ESPNU.

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Belles prepared for NCAAs

By JACK HEFFERON
Sports Writer

After a dramatic come-from-behind victory at the MIAA Qualifier last weekend, the No. 12 Belles will have a chance to prove themselves against the best field in the country at the NCAA Division III championships.

Last year, Saint Mary’s sat

several strokes behind Olivet after the first round of the qualifier, but rallied in the final two rounds on their home course to win the event. They built on that momentum at the national tournament, equaling their best-ever showing at the NCAAs with a fourth-place finish. Besides the trophies and accolades, though, the Belles also gained a wealth of experience, something they hope will help carry them to the top of the leaderboard again this year.

“The experience [from last year] is a huge advantage,” senior captain Mary Kate Boyce said. “Senior Rosie O’Connor, junior Natalie Matuszak and myself have competed in the last two national championships, so we have a feel for the nerves that come with playing in a big event like this. We hope our experience will help the freshmen keep their nerves in check for the tournament, too.”

This year, the Belles hope that history will continue to repeat itself. For the second straight year, the team came back in the final round of the qualifier to beat Olivet, this time after trailing by as many as 12 strokes. Saint Mary’s charged back behind the strength of a phenomenal 315 in the final round, and placed all five of its scorers in the top 10. With the team playing its best golf at just the right time, the Belles hope to ride that momentum to another high finish at the NCAA tournament.

“The berth was essential to going into the national championship with confidence,” Boyce said. “Being able to beat a tough team when we needed to has allowed us to

build our self-confidence. We were able to perform well under pressure which is quite an accomplishment considering we have some young players. I definitely feel like we’re peaking at the right time.”

But while they have had many successes recently, the atmosphere of the national championship will be unlike any other tournament Saint Mary’s has played this year. With so much riding on each shot, keeping their composure in check may be more important than keeping the ball in the fairway.

“We have worked very hard this season to prepare ourselves for a shot at the national title,” Boyce said. “Winning the title will take incredible mental toughness. The competition will be fierce, with 20 great teams all looking to achieve the same goal. The team that can deal with the highs and lows of the round will have the best shot at winning.”

Despite the pressure and expectations, Boyce remains positive and excited, and said she cannot wait to take to the course for her last collegiate tournament.

“I am very excited for the tournament because this is the icing on the cake,” she said. “We’ve made it this far, now all we can do is our best. We hope to be bringing our teammates back a massive trophy.”

The first round of the NCAA Division III championships will begin Tuesday in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla. Tournament action will continue all week, concluding with the final round Friday.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Tough schedule awaiting Irish

By MATT UNGER
Sports Writer

For coach Bobby Bayliss and the Irish tennis team, a bid in the NCAA tournament has become an annual occurrence, as the team was named to the 64-team field yesterday for the 20th time in 21 years. Despite falling to Louisville in the Big East tournament finale Sunday, the team's body of work impressed the selection committee enough to warrant a bid.

However, if the Irish (17-11) look to advance out of the tournament's first weekend for the first time since 2007, they will have to overcome a tough tandem of opponents.

In the first round on either May 13 or 14 in Columbus, Ohio, Notre Dame will face East Tennessee State. If the Irish earn a victory in that match, they will likely take on the Big Ten champion, No. 4 Ohio State (30-2), barring a first round upset by Ball St. (15-14).

East Tennessee State (17-6), the Atlantic Sun champion, will look to repeat their 2008 opening round 4-2 defeat of the Irish, which also occurred in Columbus.

The teams did not meet at any tournaments this season, and their only common opponent was Big East



SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer
Notre Dame junior Casey Watt returns the ball during the Big East tournament this weekend.

champion Louisville. Both squads lost to the Cardinals, although the Buccaneers were shutout 7-0, winning only the No. 2 doubles match. Meanwhile, the Irish fell to Louisville twice in a span of eight days by margins of 4-3 and 4-2.

In No. 1 singles, Notre Dame junior Casey Watt will likely face East Tennessee State senior Grega Teraz. Watt has served as Notre Dame's No. 1 singles player the past two seasons and compiled a 17-20 record this season, with 14 matches against nationally-ranked opponents. Teraz, meanwhile, was inserted

into the No. 1 singles position toward the end of the season, going 6-2 in that role.

Team depth in No. 3 through No. 6 singles has been a big strength for the Irish this season. The Irish hold at least a .640 winning percentage in each of those categories, including a 20-5 mark in No. 6 singles.

If Notre Dame gets past East Tennessee State, they will likely face Ohio State for the right to travel to Stanford for the round of 16.

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ND WOMEN'S GOLF

Lady Irish host tournament

By LAURA COLETTI
Sports Writer

The Irish will look to add more success to their season as they host 30 teams for the NCAA Central Regional Championship tournament starting tomorrow.

The squad has enjoyed both team and individual successes this season. Irish coach Susan Holt was named the Big East Coach of the Year, and junior Becca Huffer, senior So-Hyun Park and freshmen Nicole Zhang and Kristina Nhim were each named to the All-Big East team.

Notre Dame is also coming off arguably its best performance of the season and looks to carry this momentum into the tournament. The Irish placed first as a

team at the Big East Championships, with three of the five Irish contenders placing in the top-10 individually.

Nhim led the way, placing third, while Huffer placed fourth and Park finished seventh. Senior captain Katie Conway, who finished 11th, said she was thrilled with her team's performance at the championship.

"The team is really excited about our win at Big East," Conway said. "Having Coach Holt named the Big East Coach of the Year and four of my teammates named to the All-Conference team is a great honor for our program."

The Irish are also very happy to play at home for the regional championship, Conway said.

"Our golf course is in great

shape and we are excited about playing at home," she said. "While our ninth seed puts us outside the projected eight teams that will move on to finals, historically all top eight teams rarely make it and we are confident that we will be one of the eight teams moving onto finals from our region."

The team as a whole is very determined to finish the season on a high note and complete what they set out to accomplish.

"Our goal is to get [to the finals] for the first time in program history," Conway said. "And this year is the best chance we've ever had."

Notre Dame is set to tee off Thursday morning at the Warren Golf Course.

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MLB

Liriano pitches no-no; Twins win

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Francisco Liriano was running low on energy in the ninth inning. A no-hitter within reach but his pitch count climbing, he relied on teammates to help him complete the best game of his career.

When shortstop Matt Tolbert grabbed Adam Dunn's liner for the final out, completing the Minnesota Twins' 1-0 win over the Chicago White Sox, Liriano was mobbed on the mound.

"To be honest I was running out of gas," he said. "I just thank my teammates that they made some great plays behind me tonight."

Liriano (2-4) walked six and struck out two in his first complete game in 95 major league starts. The 27-year-old left-hander, who reached the big leagues in 2005, matched his career high with 123 pitches.

"I can't explain it. I feel so nervous and so happy right now," Liriano said. "I can't explain my feeling right now."

He survived a rocky ninth inning that began when Brent Morel grounded to shortstop and Matt Tolbert made a one-hop throw that first baseman Justin Morneau scooped. Juan Pierre walked and Alexei Ramirez popped to shortstop.

Liriano fell behind Adam Dunn 3-0 in the count, then got a pair of strikes. After a foul ball, Dunn lined out to Tolbert.

"I thought it was a base hit," Liriano said. "When I saw him catch it I was so excited."

Dunn dropped to 0 for 16 against left-handers this season.

"As soon as I hit it, I saw him, and it was right to him," Dunn said. "That's pretty much the story of the day. There were some balls that, again, they made some great defensive plays."



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Lee

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of Notre Dame in the amateurs and other tournaments, I was really grateful that I had that Notre Dame experience under my belt because the Bengal Bouts stage was so huge," Lee said. "I think that got me ready throughout the amateurs and even now in my pro career it got me used to fighting in front on big crowds."

After spending his freshman year of college at University of Missouri, Lee transferred to Notre Dame for his second year, fulfilling a lifelong dream of being a member of the Fighting Irish. After training for Bengal Bouts during the summer, Lee joined the club and met immediate success, winning the 175 lb. weight class championship his sophomore year by a knockout. During his junior year, not only did Lee become a boxing captain but he also won his weight class once again and earned the Notre Dame Boxer of the Year award, an honor generally reserved for seniors. Captaining the club and winning at finals night once again

his senior year, Lee started considering boxing as a professional career. Once Lee defeated five opponents in the 2009 Chicago Golden Gloves to win his class, the decision became clearer.

"Mentally and physically I felt ready and I had been told by a lot of top trainers that this was something I could and should do," Lee said. "It was one of those things that came naturally to me and I fell in love with. There wasn't an exact moment [I made the decision to go pro], but after I won the Chicago Golden Gloves and I started getting offers from some top promotion companies, that was when I sat down with my family and told them that this was what I wanted to do."

Since that moment Lee has never looked back. He graduated from Notre Dame with a degree in finance, signed with Top Rank promotion company, had his father come on board as manager, moved to Texas, started training with Shields and started winning.

All the while Lee has not forgotten his alma mater. He is spearheading an event for next fall — the first professional boxing event on Notre Dame's campus, to take place Friday Sept.

16, the night before Notre Dame takes on Michigan State on the football field. All proceeds from the event will go to Notre Dame affiliated charities, something Lee is equally passionate about.

"I've always said throughout the whole thing that I'm chasing a dream and I want to become a world champion, but I want to try to help people along the way too," he said. "There are a lot of athletes who do that and there's a lot of good that comes out of it and I just want to be a part of that good."

Lee also started a fund to donate to the Holy Cross Missions after he traveled to Bangladesh through Bengal Bouts the summer before his senior year. Top Rank's CEO Bob Arum summed up Lee's dedication to both the sport of boxing and charitable work.

"Mike Lee is a great example of the graduates who Notre Dame produces," he said.

Lee will represent Notre Dame as he defends his undefeated record at the Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino on ESPN2's "Friday Night Fights" this week.

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Feeney

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Feeney has not let his lack of experience prevent him from having a great first year in the program. He hopes to culminate his impressive freshman season with a strong performance at Villanova.

He said he will treat this weekend's races just like any other, but in the back of his mind he knows there is a lot riding on this weekend. He also acknowledged how important these races are to the upperclassmen, who want the

seniors to go out on a high note.

"As of now I am just looking at it as another race, but our seniors have definitely let us know what to expect," Feeney said. "They talked to us before the indoor meet and let us know everything, but gave us confidence to go out there and give our best."

Several Irish runners will go in to the Big East championships riding strong momentum after impressive performances last weekend at Hillsdale and Drake.

On the men's side, the 4x1600 relay team of senior Jordan Carlson, junior Johnathan Shawel and sophomores J.P.

Malette and Jeremy Rae came in second at the Drake Relays and are one of the favorites this weekend.

The women had two first place finishes last weekend at the Hillsdale Relays. Sophomore Rebecca Tracy finished at the front in the 800-meter run and freshman Megan Yanik came out on top in the 400-meter hurdles.

The Big East championship races will take place Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Jumbo Elliot Track at Villanova University in Villanova, Pa.

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish await NCAA tournament seed

By CORY BERNARD
Sports Writer

Now that the regular season has ended, Notre Dame must play the waiting game. The Irish know they will compete in the NCAA regional tournament, and find out Monday evening where they will travel and whom they will face.

The regional competitions, held at six courses around the country, take place from May 19 to May 21. Each pool contains 13 to 14 teams, with the top five advancing to the national competition hosted by Oklahoma State at the Karsten Creek Golf Course in Stillwater, Okla.

Irish coach Jim Kubinski said his team has a 50-50 chance of traveling to nearby Zionsville, Ind. to compete at the Wolf Run Golf Club. However, as is the case with NCAA basketball tournament selections, a balanced bracket may require teams to compete in different regions. In 2006, the last time the Irish competed on the national stage, Notre Dame travelled to Orlando to play in the east regional.

Kubinski said he thinks his club will end up in the bottom half of their bracket due to some uncharacteristically poor performances earlier in the season.

"I expect us to be an eight or nine seed," he said. "We would probably have been a four or five had we not struggled coming out of the gate in the spring."

Far removed from earlier struggles, the Irish have played well in recent weeks. Kubinski said his squad proved their focus by winning the Big East championship.

"The guys are really excited," Kubinski said. "We've played well, and it was nice to go into the Big East champi-

onship with less pressure knowing we were likely to make the NCAAs. Still, being favored to win can be tough, but they got the lead and held it throughout."

The Big East took note of Notre Dame's impressive body of work this season, naming junior Max Scodro Player of the Year and freshman Niall Platt Freshman of the Year. His peers also named Kubinski the Big East Coach of the Year. Kubinski said Scodro deserved the award.

"Max has done everything we've asked of him and more," Kubinski said. "Really, if you look at the stroke averages, he's been our best player all year. Ultimately I think he's proven he's one of the best in the country and we're so proud of him."

Kubinski also praised Platt's efforts in his first collegiate season.

"I had some pretty big expectations for [Niall] coming in and he lived up to those early, beginning with his second place at Kiawah," Kubinski said. "He's been very consistent for us all year and a big contributor."

With two weeks left before regional action begins, the Irish hope to have injured junior Tom Usher back in time for the NCAA tournament. Usher has been sidelined with a broken hand since early April. Kubinski said he hopes to have the junior back soon, but needs to be sure of his ability to compete.

"Tom would go if he could prove he can go around or two at a high level," Kubinski said. "He's been hitting some one-armed shots and doing putting work because that won't aggravate anything. Hopefully we get him fully healthy."

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NBA

Griffin to be named NBA Rookie of the Year

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles Clippers forward Blake Griffin will be named the NBA's Rookie of the Year on Wednesday, a person familiar with the news told The Associated Press.

The person spoke Tuesday night on condition of anonymity because the formal announcement hadn't been made. The Clippers announced a news conference at their training complex for the presentation of a major NBA award, and Rookie of the Year is the only award left.

Griffin's victory is absolutely no surprise after his spectacular season. The No. 1 draft pick out of Oklahoma in 2009 easily led all rookies in scoring and rebounding after

missing all of last year with a broken kneecap.

Griffin averaged 22.5 points, 12.1 rebounds and 3.8 assists while playing in all 82 games and earning a reputation as one of the NBA's most fearsome dunkers, with his alley-oop slams and one-handed jams making high-light reels nightly.

The 6-foot-10 power forward made the West All-Star team, becoming the first rookie All-Star in eight years, and even won the dunk contest in front of his Staples Center fans with an iconic dunk while flying over a car.

Griffin was named the Western Conference's Rookie of the Month six times, becoming the first player to sweep that award since Chris Paul did it with New Orleans in 2005-06.

Aoki

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It was just one of those tight games."

Notre Dame (16-22-1, 7-10 Big East) failed to capitalize on a solid pitching performance from sophomore right-hander Adam Norton, who tossed six innings, struck out seven batters and allowed only one earned run. Fitzgerald yielded the long ball to Crank, who notched his team-leading sixth home run of the season.

While Aoki gave credit to Michigan starter Matt Broder for subduing the Irish offense, he added that Norton pitched just as well.

"Broder did a good job," Aoki said. "I think he pitched the best game that he's pitched all-year long against us. Certainly give him some credit. [Norton] did a really good job in a couple situations where he was able to prevent Michigan from scoring. They made one more play than we did."

The Irish squandered an excellent scoring chance in the top half of the seventh when freshman first baseman Trey Mancini led off the inning with a double. However, he was picked off at second base by Michigan catcher Cole Martin after straying too far off the bag in a sacrifice bunt attempt by junior centerfielder Alex Robinson.

Coyne

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in Arlotta Stadium April 23 for its only victory over a ranked opponent this season. During the win, the Irish scored six unanswered goals in the first half and strung together four in the second half. Coyne said Thursday's contest will again depend on her team's effort and desire against a familiar rival.

"We match up well [against Georgetown]," she said. "It will come down to how well we read what the defense is giving us. We need to play with intensity and heart."

Coyne said her teams have traditionally enjoyed playing in the nation's capital. She attributes the comfort level to the scores of Irish faithful that usually attend tournament games.

"Our fans travel really well," Coyne said. "Sometimes we'll have a bigger crowd than the home team. In 2004 when we [as a program] were first getting things going, I remember people showing up early and tailgating in the parking lot. That kind of support really sets the tone for our team."

Notre Dame will need the extra support, as tests and papers have curtailed the squad's practice time recently. Coyne said the team practiced only an hour Tuesday and would not practice at all today. Once arriving in Washington, teams may practice only during specific times. Coyne said the tournament structure dictates that practices cover only certain aspects of the game.

"Once you get to the tournament, your schedule is very regimented," she said. "We'll work on situational-type preparation. We'll only cover the essentials — end-of-game scenarios, and things like that."

No. 2 seed Syracuse (10-7, 7-1) will face No. 3 seed Loyola (14-2, 6-2) in the contest immediately prior to Notre Dame's 8:15 p.m. game against the Hoyas Thursday.

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"I think [Mancini] assumed the ball was going to get put down instead of seeing it down," Aoki said. "He wanted to make sure that once the ball was put down that he was going to get a good enough jump to get to third base. It's just a mistake where maybe he wanted to make a play."

Notre Dame fell quietly in the ninth inning, as Michigan reliever Tyler Mills set the Irish down in order.

Aoki's squad takes on the Wolverines (14-28, 6-9 Big Ten) again tonight with a chance to even the series with a victory at home. The Irish skipper said he will be looking for his players to erase Tuesday's loss from their memories and rebound with a focused effort, unlike last season when the Irish dropped the second game of a home-and-home series against Michigan 13-1.

"Last year we came up here and lost a tight ballgame and the next day we absolutely handed it to them," Aoki said. "I'm more concerned our kids are locked in and we do a go a good job of competing. Hopefully we're able to scrap together tomorrow and come out with a better outcome."

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Corrigan

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to playing our best lacrosse," Corrigan said. "I don't think we lost any confidence, I think we are more acutely aware of what it takes to beat the very best teams. Every time [you play], I think you should learn a little something more about yourselves, if nothing else, so I think we have, and I think we'll be better prepared to play Friday night because of our experience in the dome last Saturday."

The Irish took all they could from the game against the Orange and have shifted their focus to the immediate future.

"We know that we have to play our best to win every game — no one is invincible at this level," sophomore attack Ryan Foley said. "We've broken the game down, pointed out our mistakes and hopefully we can bring improvement to those areas this week in practice. It's all about UNC now."

Heading into the game against the Tar Heels (9-5, 1-2 ACC), Notre Dame must prepare to match up with a talented North Carolina team. The Notre Dame

defense, which dropped to second nationally with 6.36 goals allowed per game after surrendering a season high 11 scores to the Orange, will be called on to slow down North Carolina's potent attack.

"They're a very talented offensive team that really puts a lot of pressure on you because they just have athletes everywhere," Corrigan said. "I think they probably have as good of an attack unit, and particularly as good a dodging attack unit, as you'll find in the country. So they put an awful lot of pressure on you from both ends of the offense, and I think defending them is where [our focus] will start."

North Carolina's offense is led by senior attack Billy Bitter and freshman attack Nicky Galasso. Bitter was recently named to his third straight All-ACC team and ranks second on the team with 34 points this season. Galasso, who leads the team with 51 points, including 29 assists, was named the ACC Freshman of the Year.

One of Notre Dame's keys to hindering North Carolina's prolific offense and generating some offense of its own will be to play a physical match, Corrigan said.

"I just would like to see us come back and challenge a little bit,

physically challenge our individual matchups a little bit more — be a little more confrontational in our individual matchups," he said.

Even with the challenges presented by North Carolina, the Irish are confident that their final regular season game will be one of their best.

"This week presents an opportunity to play a very hungry UNC team, and get back to playing the way we know we can," Foley said.

Though the Irish are focused on preparing to meet the Tar Heels in the primetime matchup, if Syracuse were to stumble against unranked St. John's (4-9, 2-3 Big East) Saturday, the Irish could find themselves with a share of the Big East title.

"We're just focused on getting ourselves prepared for North Carolina," Corrigan said. "Any of the rest of that is out of our control. The only thing we can do is to prepare ourselves to be at our best this Friday at North Carolina."

Notre Dame will try to conclude the regular season with a win when it faces North Carolina Friday at 8:00 p.m.

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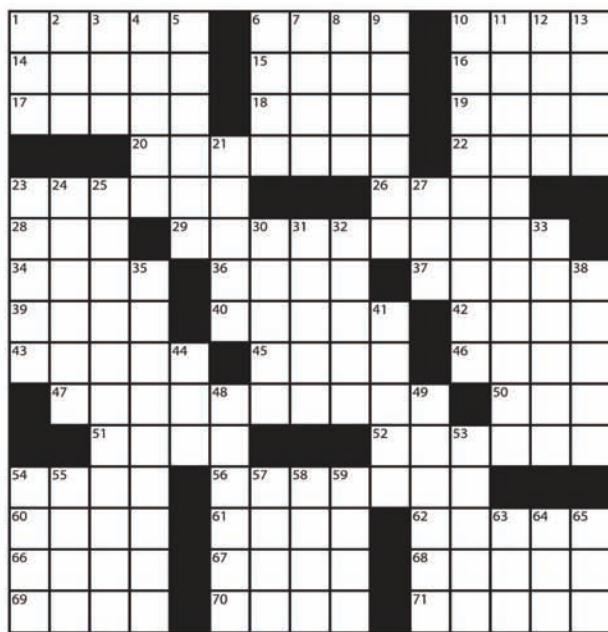


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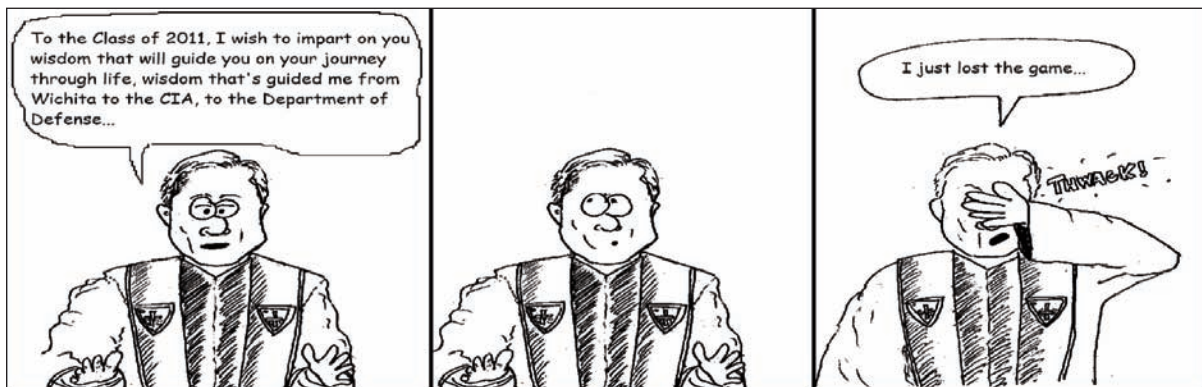
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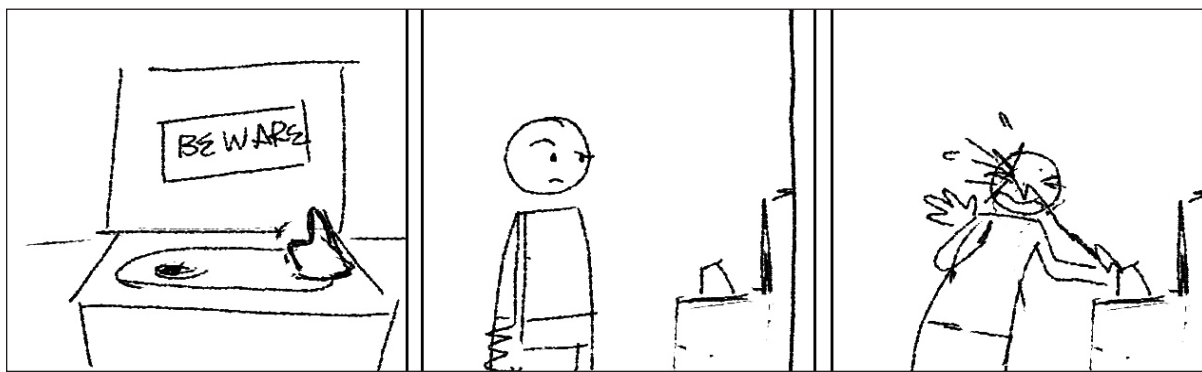
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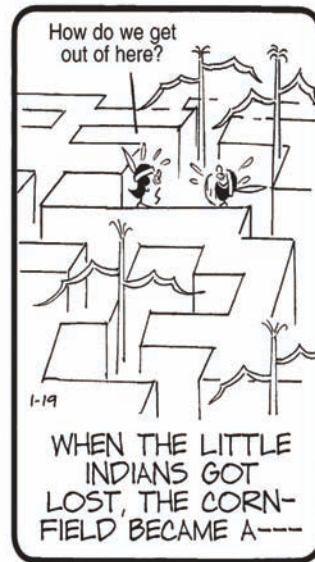
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MEN'S LACROSSE

Carolina in my mind

Irish look to bounce back from first defeat

By **JOSEPH MONARDO**
Sports Writer

Its two-week reign atop the NCAA men's lacrosse world came to an end Monday, but No. 3/4 Notre Dame has an opportunity to regain its momentum, and perhaps a spot or two in the rankings, with a win over No. 12/12 North Carolina in the regular season finale Friday.

Less than a week after suffering their first loss at the hands of now top-ranked Syracuse (13-1, 5-0 Big East), the Irish (10-1, 5-1) will face a challenge again when they travel to Chapel Hill.

Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said the loss, although disappointing, provided the Irish an opportunity to gain experience against one of the country's best, and could begin to pay dividends for the Irish immediately.

"I think our guys are motivated to get back to work and to get back

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GRANT TOBIN/The Observer
Notre Dame sophomore attack Ryan Foley passes the ball against Ohio State March 23. The No. 3/4 Irish defeated the Buckeyes 8-7, and face No. 12 North Carolina Friday.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish take on Hoyas at Big East

By **CORY BERNARD**
Sports Writer

Though their chances appeared slim early in the season, the Irish will make their fifth straight appearance in the Big East tournament Thursday. The game in Washington, D.C. pits unranked, fourth-seeded Notre Dame (9-8, 6-2 Big East) against No. 16, first-seeded Georgetown (9-7, 7-1).

Notre Dame's victories in the last three games came at the right time, as the team's only winning streak of the season gave it the necessary momentum to prepare for tournament. Irish coach Tracy Coyne said her team has realized the difficulty of winning.

"We learned how to win, how to finish games," she said. "We had to realize that everything doesn't always go your way in the season."

Notre Dame defeated the Hoyas

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BOXING

ND grad Mike Lee readies for bout in 'Friday Night Fights'

By **KELSEY MANNING**
Sports Writer

When 2009 Notre Dame graduate and professional boxer Mike Lee called world-renowned trainer Ronnie Shields with the hopes of getting Shields in his corner, he was asked when he could come down to Texas for a tryout. Lee responded in a fashion indicative of his entire boxing career.

"Tomorrow," he said. "I'll be there tomorrow."

"He laughed because he thought

that I was joking, but I wasn't," Lee said. "I spent a week down at their training camp in Houston. I remember I finished a workout with my dad there, and after the workout I ran over to a garbage can and threw up. I turned to my dad and said, 'This is it. This is the camp. We have to be here.' No one had ever pushed me that hard."

It is that level of dedication and work ethic that has not only gained Lee a trainer — one who has worked with the likes of world heavyweight champions Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield —

but has catapulted the 23-year-old into the professional boxing spotlight. Lee's heavy hands have earned him an undefeated 4-0-0 record, including three knockouts thus far in his budding career. Most recently the light-heavyweight-class fighter knocked out Pablo Gomez in the first round of a bout at The Palms Casino Resort in Las Vegas, and was subsequently featured in a two-page spread in ESPN The Magazine in March.

Friday Lee will fight in his most publicized match yet, taking on

Gilbert Gastelum at the Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, a fight that will be featured on ESPN2's "Friday Night Fights." Rather than letting the pressure of his network debut along with an undefeated record get to him, Lee said he is looking forward to showing the country what he can do.

"Every fight I've had cameras in my face and my last fight was nationally televised, but ESPN is a whole different animal," he said. "But I am definitely one of those athletes that performs better and

looks forward to pressure situations and a bigger stage. [The pressure] doesn't seem to phase me. I know I'm going to put on a good show. We have been working really hard and with this ESPN fight I'm starting to show people how good I've gotten and that I should be considered a top prospect in the division."

Lee attributes this mentality in part to his time at Notre Dame competing in Bengal Bouts.

"When I started to fight outside

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BASEBALL

Bats quiet in close defeat

By **CHRIS MASOUD**
Sports Writer

Michigan left fielder Coley Crank lived up to his namesake Tuesday, belting a solo home run in the bottom of the eighth inning to give Michigan a 2-1 victory over Notre Dame.

The narrow margin of victory marks the second time in two years Notre Dame has fallen to the Wolverines on the road by one run.

"Certainly we had a couple of opportunities we weren't able to take advantage of," Irish coach Mik Aoki said. "[Freshman reliever] Sean [Fitzgerald] made one bad pitch, the kid made a good swing on it and hit it out of the park. I thought our kids did a good job in terms of competing."

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ASHLEY DACY/The Observer
Irish junior infielder Tommy Chase tries to avoid the tag against Seton Hall April 28. Notre Dame fell 2-1 to the Pirates.

ND TRACK AND FIELD

Notre Dame looking to improve outdoors

By **JOE WIRTH**
Sports Writer

The Irish hope to avenge the men's second place and the women's eighth place finishes in the Big East indoors earlier this year by taking the outdoor title this weekend at Villanova.

The men came up five points short in the indoors and hope they can make the difference up with the hard work they put in during the outdoor season.

"Our team goal is to just simply win. We got second in the indoor by less than six points, so we are going to give our best to get those extra points," freshman Patrick Feeney said. Feeney, who is coming off a 10th

place finish at the 4x400 relay at the Drake Relays last weekend, said he may be a freshman, but that does not diminish his expectations heading into the races.

"For the 4x100 there is a lot of competition. We are looking to place in the top three, but definitely going for the win. My goal for the 400 is to win. I know there is great competition, but that's when my best races come," Feeney said.

"Our 4x400 is very close to the top times and I think it's going to be close between about four or five teams, but with good splits all around we are going to give our best to win."

Despite being a freshman,

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