

Seniors revel in final game as students

Senior Day halftime marshmallow fight and other traditions carry on despite rainy weather

By OWEN LANE
News Writer

Notre Dame fans witnessed a disappointing conclusion to the home games this season with a 31-28 Irish loss to the Louisville Cardinals on Saturday.

The result of the final football game was especially disappointing for the hundreds of seniors who came out for their final home game at Notre Dame.

Senior Matthew Metzinger said the game reminded him of the first football game he watched as a student at Notre Dame against South Florida in 2011. The South Florida game also ended in a loss and had to end early due to lighting.

"You know what, you stick with the Irish through good

times and bad," he said. "It would have been better if it were a victory, but it was still a lot of fun to spend the game with the rest of the seniors, the student body and all the fans."

Fans expressed their disappointment with the Irish's inability to win the close game and stressed the insufficient efforts by the defense as a major component in the loss.

Freshman Meghan Brennan said the loss cannot be attributed to one player alone.

"It's unfair to say it's [Kyle] Brindza's fault," she said.

Freshman Elisa Villafana said the efforts of the offense were not supported by a strong defense.

"I think the switch in the safety

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Seniors in the student section partook in a Senior Day tradition by throwing marshmallows during halftime of Saturday's game. The loss dropped the Irish to a 7-4 record.

Man behind ND logo dies

By EMILY McCONVILLE
News Writer

A memorial service and Mass for Jim T. Butz, class of 1949, who worked in the Notre Dame Stadium press box for decades and was instrumental in the creation of the iconic Fighting Irish leprechaun logo, will take place at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Monday morning.

Butz, who died Oct. 12 at the age of 90, will be buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery on campus.

Butz was on the sports information department staff for the football team from 1947 to 1949

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Photo courtesy of Jim P. Butz

Jim T. Butz, class of 1949, died Oct. 12. Butz played a key role in the creation of the Fighting Irish logo.

'Shark Tank' judge visits campus

By JENNIFER FLANAGAN
News Writer

Addressing a maximum-capacity crowd in Mendoza's Jordan Auditorium last Friday, investor Kevin O'Leary of the hit ABC show "Shark Tank" shared his thoughts on great entrepreneurship and judged three business proposals pitched by Notre Dame student entrepreneurs.

Before transforming the auditorium into a mock 'shark tank,' O'Leary first explained what the show reveals about

entrepreneurship.

"The American Dream is alive, and we watch it happen on Shark Tank," O'Leary said. "Watching Shark Tank is watching the pursuit of freedom."

O'Leary shared clips from a previous episode of Shark Tank in which mother-and-daughter team Tracey Noonan and Danielle Vilagie pitched their cupcake-in-a-jar business called Wicked Good Cupcakes to demonstrate how the show acts as a

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SMC seniors promote Type 1 diabetes awareness

By KATHRYN MARSHALL
News Writer

Nine Saint Mary's seniors in communication professor Colleen Fitzpatrick's non-profit public relations (PR) class will put the phrase "Once a Belle, Always a Belle" into action tonight when they host "Open Mic Night" to raise awareness for Type I diabetes in support of class of 2013 alum Katie Schwab.

Schwab, who spent time working with the Notre Dame women's

basketball staff during her time at Saint Mary's, entered a diabetic coma this summer as a result of Type I diabetes, senior Loretto Evans, a student in the class, said.

Hearing about Schwab's situation encouraged Fitzpatrick, who was Schwab's peer mentor during her time at Saint Mary's, to restructure her class in order to help raise support, Evans said.

"I would definitely say this is unique to this year," Evans said. "[Schwab] is no longer a student

here, and yet we're still doing everything we can to make [the event] successful. If you were to tell me a couple months ago I would be this into a class, I wouldn't believe you."

In August, the hands-on class learned PR content such as fundraising and publicity, senior Nia Parillo said. Once the class covered all the necessary material, Parillo said they directed their focus to supporting Schwab.

"Usually what [Fitzpatrick] does is take an already pre-existing local

nonprofit group, and [the class] does PR for them," Parillo said. "But this is a different case. She decided to change the curriculum, and we've been building ground up."

Through collaboration and brainstorming, Parillo said the class decided to host a bake sale and an "Open Mic Night." The class exceeded their monetary goals during the bake sale, and she said they are hoping "Open Mic Night" will be even more successful.

Senior Julia Dunford said the

students selected an "Open Mic Night" format in order to create a unique event for Schwab that would provide opportunities for student interaction as well as discussion about Type I diabetes.

"That's part of the goal of the event, to not only fundraise for Katie and her family, but to raise awareness about Type 1 diabetes and the risks inherent with having Type 1 diabetes, especially as

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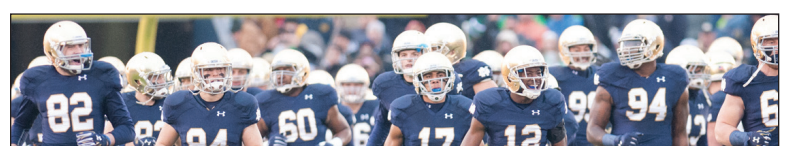
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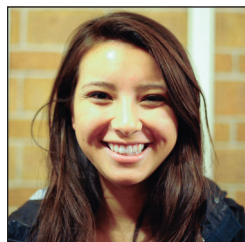
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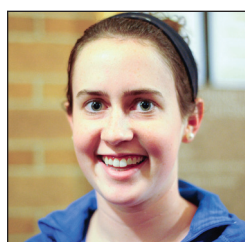
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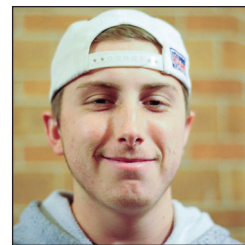
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Corinne Sullivan

sophomore
Badin Hall

"The ones we won."



Ed Kreienberg

freshman
Morrissey Hall

"Stanford."



Faisal Shariff

sophomore
Duncan Hall

"The ones where Everett didn't fumble."



Francis Liang

freshman
Welsh Family Hall

"Northwestern."



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A few devious seniors stick marshmallows on the hat of a fellow student standing in front of them. Seniors traditionally have a marshmallow fight during halftime of the last home game of every football season.

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ACMS Colloquium

Hayes-Healy Center
4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
Alex Perkins will speak.

Women's Basketball

Purcell Pavilion
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Notre Dame vs.
Harvard.

Tuesday

Women's Basketball

Purcell Pavilion
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Notre Dame vs.
Quinnipiac.

Four:7 Catholic Fellowship

Cavanaugh Hall
8:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Faith and fellowship.

Wednesday

Crèches from Around the World

Campus-wide
All day
Nativity scenes from around the world displayed on campus.

Men's Basketball

Purcell Pavilion
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
The Irish take on Grambling.

Thursday

Thanksgiving Day Run

Niles, Mich.
6:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Register online.

Thanksgiving Dinner

North Dining Hall
12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Free to all with an on-campus meal plan.

Friday

Turkey Skate

Compton Family Ice Arena
2:30 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
\$5 for ND/SMC/HCC faculty, staff and students.

Volleyball

Purcell Pavilion
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
The Irish take on Pittsburgh.

Boardroom Insights: Case talks risks, non-profits

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News Writer

Jean Case, CEO of the Case Foundation, gave a lecture on the importance of measured risk-taking and failure in the



Jean Case
CEO, Case Foundation

philanthropy sector as part of the Boardroom Insights Lecture Series on Friday.

Case, who is nationally recognized for her philanthropic work, also serves as an advisor on the National Geographic Society Board of Trustees and the Harvard Business School Social Enterprise Initiative. In 2011, Case and her husband joined the Giving Pledge, a challenge in which members commit most of their wealth to philanthropic causes.

Throughout the lecture, Case said the path to success, far from being simple, is a very "circuitous road filled

with potholes."

"The fact of the matter is, almost anything significant I've accomplished in my life came out of failure," Case said. "Something either didn't go right, or there was an unexpected turn in the road."

Case said well-established philanthropic organizations, fearing the mismanagement of donor funds, are generally unwilling to take risks.

"The big foundations now ... don't want to talk about failure," she said. "They don't want to feel like they wasted someone's money. They don't want to feel like they're wasting grants, but if you're trying new things, experimenting, taking risks, failure should be an option."

Contrasting the more traditional philanthropic business plan, the Case Foundation takes measured risks when investing in people and ideas, Case said.

"If we're going to innovate, we have to try new things, and it's hard to find innovation without risk taking," she said. "We came up with a series of principles that really could be brought together

under the umbrella term 'Be Fearless.'"

Drawing from insights from her philanthropic work, Case

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CEO
Case Foundation

said she challenges young people who have ideas to acknowledge the importance of failure in crafting a successful product.

"I have one really big

concern with this generation, and that is, particularly those of you ... that have had some kind of privilege, they fear failure," she said. "Your generation has the greatest ideas ... but if this fear of failure stops you, you won't be able to fully leverage your greatness."

Case said the most innovative products are not always original, but rather are sometimes refinements of existing ideas.

"Many of the people we think of as geniuses didn't come up with the ideas we associate them with," she said. "They often came later, or they perfected it. You might see something that has potential, but someone hasn't figured out how to take it mainstream."

When solving challenging problems, Case said it is important to recruit people with diverse backgrounds and opinions.

"What's often not understood is the importance of having people around you who are not the same as you," she said. "And I don't just mean in the talent and skill areas ... but people with

totally different points of view, totally different backgrounds. Innovation happens at intersections."

Setting big goals in personal and career commitments is

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a crucial step to maintaining passion in life, Case said.

"To everyone, a big bet is different. Have one in your life, have one in your chosen profession," she said. "If you don't burn to wake up ... to take forward your mission, you're in the wrong place."

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Lecturer examines international law

By **J.P. GSCHWIND**
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Brigham Young University (BYU) law professor David H. Moore gave a lecture focused on the relationship between international law and its domestic enforcement in the United States at the Eck Hall of Law on Thursday, sponsored by the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy.

Moore said there is a fundamental conflict between two concepts: the effectiveness of international law and the integrity of proper domestic governance.

"In my opinion, the Supreme Court is trying to accommodate both concerns in their decisions," Moore said.

According to Moore, the primary sources of international law are treaties, which are formal legal agreements between nations, and customary international law, which consists of non-binding conventions that countries traditionally follow. Illustrating this distinction with an example, Moore said diplomatic immunity existed as a informal mutual agreement between countries before it was codified into law with formal treaties.

Moore then explained the principle of self-execution. International law that is ratified by the U.S. must include a provision that specifies in what way it should be enforced to fulfill the standard of self-execution. Otherwise, Moore said, international law cannot be enforced in the U.S., absent of authorization from a branch of government.

"However, a broad notion of non-self-execution violates the Supremacy Clause [of the Constitution]," Moore said. "This is because the Supremacy Clause states that formally ratified treaties must be treated as the law of the land."

Moore said the case of *Medellin v. Texas* demonstrates the principle of non-self-execution. *Medellin*, a convicted Mexican national on death row, appealed his conviction because Texas legal authorities failed to allow him to contact the Mexican

consulate in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. The Supreme Court sided with Texas and decided that international treaties are not applicable to domestic law unless Congress implements an enforcement statute or the treaties include self-executing provisions.

"There are two basic views on relationship between customary international law and federal common law," Moore said.

The modern position believes international law can be enforced to a large extent by the courts while the revisionist camp argues it can only be enforced as authorized by Congress or the executive branch.

Moore referenced the case of *Sosa v. Alvarez-Machain* to show how the Supreme Court interprets these two views. The case involved a suspected cartel member who had been abducted to face murder charges by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency. The court held that an abducted foreign national could face prosecution, but the act of kidnapping itself might be a violation of international law and thus provide grounds for civil litigation under the Alien Tort Statute.

"Most scholars see the court's decision as a victory for the modern view, but I think they confuse two questions: whether Alien Tort Statute creates a cause of action and whether customary international law is federal common law in the absence of political branch intent," Moore said.

In fact, Moore said the court's analysis actually endorses the revisionist position with its focus on Congressional intent and concern with separation of powers.

"Academic commentary is out of step," Moore said. "Incorporation [of international law] through the political branches is the appropriate direction."

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Prof considers ethics of rhetoric

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Associate professor of English John Duffy examined the quality of American public discourse and its social impact Saturday in his lecture "Beyond Civility: The crisis in American public discourse."

The lecture, the final installment of the Snite Museum's Saturday Scholars series, examined both the current trends in American civil discourse and the measures needed to address the problem effectively. According to Duffy, the problem with contemporary public discourse lies in its polarizing and factually questionable nature.

"We seem to have reached the point in our public deliberation in which there is no widely shared agreement as to the nature of a fact," Duffy said. "There is little place in our public arguments for deliberative language that might express doubt, explore ambiguities, admit errors or acknowledge positions that might depart from orthodoxy."

Duffy said some of the main factors behind the nature of contemporary civil discourse lay in

economics and technology. He said sensationalized, polarizing rhetoric has become more marketable for lucrative corporations and media, while the accessibility modern technology has given to news channels and public radio has created a media climate saturated with misleading and combative discourse from both politicians and media pundits.

"There is nothing new about vilification, but what makes our moment extraordinary is not the fact of our corrosive discourse, rather it's the technologies that allow us to disseminate the discourse so effectively," he said. "We're unique not because of the toxic nature of our rhetoric, but because of the methods we have to liberate the toxins."

According to Duffy, in order to create a more fruitful rhetoric, we must begin to understand the purpose of argument not merely as a tool of persuasion, but also as a way to engage in a relationship with another human being where opinion is well articulated and respectful of the other's intelligence. Duffy said this requires a knowledge of "rhetorical virtues."

"To understand rhetorical

virtue is to understand that speaking and writing are not merely instrumental but are fundamentally ethical activities," he said. "That means we are obliged to answer certain questions of ourselves before we speak or write. How does our speech or writing reflect, say, the virtues of respectfulness, generosity? How does our writing respect the practices of tolerance?"

While many believe the solution to polarizing, ineffective discourse is to encourage greater civility, Duffy said civility is often a "misleading metric." Since civility is both too vague to define and too limited in its approach to rhetoric, Duffy said what is needed in civil discourse is a better recognition of rhetorical virtue and purpose.

"What the rhetorical virtues offer is something different. They offer a language of assessment and practice of public discourse," he said. "They call upon us to speak and write, not as Republicans or liberals, Libertarians or Democrats, but as a people committed to an ethical discourse and a common good."

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Students delve into solidarity

By **MACAILA DeMARIO**
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Students, faculty and staff gathered in the student center at Saint Mary's College on Friday to hear volunteer groups talk about solidarity from both local and global perspectives as part of the Justice Fridays lecture series.

Students stated that their definition of solidarity was unclear before their experiences, but many, including sophomore Tere Valencia, said their lives were positively impacted after their service.

"[Solidarity is] a connection with people and not just people we understand but people who we want to understand and find justice with," she said. "It is finding peace and a movement that unites and creates a reaction within us."

The first group of students presented their experiences from a fall break Peru pilgrimage that involved travel to Lima, Piura and Matucana, where they visited residents and built a home for a local family.

Senior Sarah Lipinski said she was one of the students who traveled to Peru.

"[I] felt the presence of Christ in every interaction we had," she said. "A little village [was] trying to do so much for one another."

Junior Haleigh Ehmsen, who also participated in the pilgrimage, said the experience was faith-based.

"We were the hands and feet of Christ," she said.

The students described the people of Lima, Piura and Matucana as immensely kind and loving toward one another.

Junior Anne Cahill said language was not a barrier during the pilgrimage and "being human connected us."

"It was a very humbling experience being in those people's homes," Cahill said. "They embraced us as almost a part of their family."

The second group to present shared local experiences of discovering solidarity from St. Adalbert's Church and the community center, La Casa de Amistad. As part of the Justice 305 course, Church In the City – which is offered every fall for one credit hour – the students did a home stay during the weekend and experienced life through the perspective of another family,

according to the SMC bulletin.

"We have heard about [families in need], but it hasn't really affected us until we see it in the light," Valencia said. "And whether it's with ourselves or with our community, going five minutes away from Saint Mary's really taught me that you don't have to necessarily go abroad to get an impact although it is so great to do so."

Valencia described her experience as both having an emphasis on understanding others and working together to seek understanding.

"Like the group that went to Peru, this group found solidarity to have a focus and purpose of understanding people from all walks of life," she said.

Sophomore Maria Hernandez also shared her discoveries on working with immigrants.

"[I was] able to meet other people who trust me with their [immigration] stories with a purpose to educate me so I can go forth and be the voice for them."

"This experience gave me a face to immigration," Valencia said.

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Louisville

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position was good," she said. "But I think our defense gets a little lazy sometimes."

The heavy attendance of Louisville fans also made an impression on the Irish. Metzinger said he was surprised at the large number of Cardinals fans he saw tailgating in the lots, and it was definitely the greatest showing

of opposing fans this season.

Villafana said while some of the chanting from the opposing team was obnoxious, they were generally a well-behaved crowd. While the sea of red shirts loudly supported their team during the game, one post-game incident left a bad impression on some Irish fans.

"It was a little rude, their chanting through the 'Alma Mater,'" freshman Sheridan Foy said. "That was not okay."

The traditions of senior day were alive and well, with a massive marshmallow fight breaking out during half time.

"It was a good time," Metzinger said. "With the rain, it was especially gross, and they stuck everywhere. It was a lot of fun to find your friends around you and just start whipping the marshmallows everywhere."

Students in other sections enjoyed watching the white frenzy erupt in the senior section.

"It looked cool," Brennan said. "I'm excited to do that as a senior. It will be awesome."

Despite the game's disappointing conclusion, the seniors enjoyed their traditional senior day privilege of walking onto the field after the game.

"It was a lot of fun," Metzinger said. "I didn't really become emotional during the game or when we were on the field, but when we were leaving through the tunnel and you can see

Touchdown Jesus, that was a really cool moment, really surreal. I will always remember and cherish that."

Notre Dame fans now turn their attention toward the upcoming game against USC. The Irish hope to close their season with a victory over their long-time rivals this Saturday in Los Angeles.

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Butz

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and returned to Notre Dame every home football game for 31 years to work in the press box as a stringer for United Press, Jim P. Butz, the son of Jim T. Butz, said. In the mid-1960s, the University planned to change its current mascot, an Irish terrier called Clashmore, but Jim P. Butz said his father, who worked at Wilson Sporting Goods at the time, immediately thought of Ted Drake, an illustrator for Wilson.

"Dad said, 'I know exactly the guy you need to be working with,'" Jim P. Butz said. "He called on Ted and said, 'Can you create some symbol for Notre Dame, some example their Irish heritage that they want to exemplify?' And [the leprechaun] was what Ted came up with."

Jim T. Butz gave Drake's drawing to the University, and in 1965, the leprechaun became the official mascot, Jim P. Butz said. Drake, who died in 1999, went on to design the logo for the Chicago Bulls.

"When you think of how many millions of people know that Fighting Irish logo – the vast majority of the people who are alive never knew the University had a different mascot," Ric Jarrett, a friend of the Butz family, said. "They see the ND and Fighting Irish logo ... That one little tiny aspect of his life has touched a couple hundred million people."

Jim T. Butz was devoted to Notre Dame and a lifelong fan, his son said. A native of Akron, Ohio, Jim T. Butz grew up listening to Irish football on the

radio, and after high school he was drafted into World War II. Whenever he could find a typewriter, Jarrett said Butz would write a letter to Notre Dame's dean of admissions and express his interest in attending the University.

"He would tell him he had survived this or survived that and wanted to go to school," Jarrett said. "He did that the entire time he was gone."

Jim P. Butz said after the war, his father had trouble getting into Notre Dame since all the soldiers who had been drafted while they attended Notre Dame had priority so they could finish their degrees. Jim T. Butz asked some friends to put in good words for him, and he caught the attention of Sports Information Director Charlie Callahan, who brought Butz's case to then-University President John J. Cavanaugh.

"Fr. Cavanaugh called for his file, and all of the letters in the file were neatly typed, nothing handwritten," Jim P. Butz said. "It was easy to read. Everything was documented. That's when Cavanaugh said, if Fr. Sorin had not established Notre Dame for students such as this, who did he establish the University for? He asked how many beds they were already short, and he said, 'We're going to be short one more.'"

Before he even started as a student in 1946, Butz was hired by Callahan as a staff member, and Butz soon became a public-relations writer for athletic director and football coach Frank Leahy. For the three years Butz was a student, the football team never lost a game, and in 1947 the

team won one of the four national championships under Leahy's leadership. For all that time, Butz was "Leahy's right-hand man; he was the one speaking for him," Jim P. Butz said.

Jim T. Butz married in 1948, had the first of five children and graduated after three years. Afterwards, he moved to a Chicago suburb to raise his family and work for Wilson Sporting Goods' marketing department. He continued to write, ghost-writing for sports greats such as bowler Joe Wilman and golfer Arnold Palmer, his son said.

Eventually Butz settled in the golf industry, running a variety of golf-related companies until he became acting executive director of the Professional Golfers Association (PGA), which took him to Palm Beach, Florida, his son said. He also lived in Los Angeles for a time before retiring in the Chicago area near his family. For the entire time he worked in Chicago, Butz returned to every Notre Dame game in a media capacity, and he was unfailingly courteous to fans of every team.

"My dad would make a point of greeting visitors from other schools and welcoming them from Notre Dame," Jim P. Butz said. "He'd pull them over to our tailgate, wherever he found them."

Throughout his life, Jim T. Butz always remembered when somebody helped him succeed, his son said, whether Callahan, Leahy or a Belgian family. Jim P. Butz said when his father was behind enemy lines during the Battle of the Bulge in WWII, his squad hid for days in the basement of a house

in Wye, Belgium. Years later, Jim T. Butz returned to Wye.

"He would bring blue jeans. He would bring candy bars to the family whose house they hid out in," Jim P. Butz said. "He just wanted to thank them for having a house, for having someplace for him to hide. They didn't really play any material role in his survival, but he just felt that burden of responsibility, that obligation to them. He felt that toward so many people in his lifetime, and he was always trying to repay favors to people who had helped him."

Jarrett said Jim T. Butz's was devoted to the University for his entire life and several of his children and grandchildren attended Notre Dame or Saint Mary's.

"His family was first; his friends were second," Jarrett said. "Anything and everything Notre Dame would have been right up there. He loved everything about the University. He loved his time there; he loved supporting the school. Having lived through WWII, in his mind it was ... the ideal place to be. He loved it. He loved it in his 20s and he loved it in his 90s."

Jarrett said Butz embodied the qualities of a Notre Dame graduate.

"If you were to roll up all the things which as an outsider you'd think of Notre Dame, that's what he would be," Jarrett said. "He was a kind man, smart, intelligent. He was a real people person. He got everything done ... he lived the real deal."

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Diabetes

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a young healthy woman," she said.

All fundraised money goes directly to a fund in support of Schwab, who is still in a diabetic coma, Evans said. Schwab's family will attend the event as well, she said.

"They are excited we're doing this," Evans said. "They're all educators, so I think it's even more impactful that [the support] is coming from a group of students who made this their mission."

Anyone is welcome to stop by to listen to music, share a talent, read some poetry, sing a song or share a good joke, Parillo said.

There is a \$5 admission fee, which includes two raffle tickets for an array of prizes, which are all donations from local companies and restaurants, Evans said.

Dunford said she hopes attendees walk away with a better understanding of Type 1 diabetes and a greater sense of community.

"We already have such a strong sense of sisterhood on campus, and this is a way to reinforce that, to help a fellow sister and learn a little bit along the way," she said.

Open Mic Night will take place Monday night from 7-9 p.m. in Rice Commons of the Student Center.

More information about Katie Schwab can be found on her [CaringBridge](http://CaringBridge.com) website.

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Shark Tank

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platform to such freedom.

Noonan and Vilagie were put to what O'Leary calls the true test — taking a commodity that is ubiquitous in America and building a national brand. O'Leary said the addition of a platform like Shark Tank to a business like Wicked Good Cupcakes substantially contributes to its success and made it possible to build a national brand on something with little proprietary value. Wicked Good Cupcakes is now the fastest growing cupcake company in America.

"Shark Tank is a giant platform, is a giant infomercial worth about \$12 million," O'Leary said.

Following its appearance on Shark Tank, O'Leary said Wicked Good Cupcakes saw sales increase to 15 times what it was before the show aired.

"The Shark Tank factor is very much alive, and I think America has figured that out," he said.

Shark Tank and entrepreneurship are all about personal freedom, and that's why O'Leary said he came to Notre Dame — to discuss how that personal freedom can be achieved by future entrepreneurs.

O'Leary organized his thoughts into three different lists that exhibit key traits necessary to becoming a successful entrepreneur.

The first list he shared with the audience stated the three commonalities of all deals ever funded on Shark Tank.

First was the ability of the entrepreneurs to articulate the business' vision in 90 seconds or less. Second was their ability to convince investors that they were the right team to execute the business plan, and third was a complete comprehensive understanding of their business models and numbers.

The second list elucidated six attributes of what it takes to make a great entrepreneur.

The first attribute is one's preparation to make a "life/balance sacrifice," O'Leary said.

"There will be no balance during the period you are growing your business because you have to fall in love with your business," he said. "It must consume you. It will eat your hours. If you don't have the passion, your competitor will."

O'Leary said great entrepreneurs have a little knowledge about everything but a lot about what they are selling. Put shareholders first, have a passion for what they sell, use technology to improve efficiency and understand business is a global competition.

An entrepreneur's concept of a global market is one of the most important attributes to have, especially in the modern business

world, O'Leary said.

"For the first time there are more than a billion market cap companies outside the United States ... so in every industry there is a giant competitor," he said.

Addressing the students in the audience, O'Leary said when "when you graduate, think global because your competitor is, and they want your share."

After being an investor for a long time, O'Leary said businesses that sustain and maintain profits understand the following rules: employees are the primary assets and are to be anchored by culture, the customer always come first, service trumps price, the boss does not necessarily make the most money, everybody is replaceable and business is war.

O'Leary said knowing business is war is of utmost importance for any entrepreneur hoping to preserve a business, and he warned prospective entrepreneurs to not be distracted by a desire to solve all of society's problems.

"Your job is go out into the world and understand who you serve, but not solve all of society's problems," he said. "Your job is go into war everyday and win. Stay focused to the mission that business is war."

Next, O'Leary entertained three business pitches from three groups of student entrepreneurs, and he only had harsh remarks for the first business pitch called



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Kevin O'Leary of ABC's "Shark Tank" spoke to a maximum capacity crowd Friday afternoon in the Jordan Auditorium in Mendoza.

Aerofit, a chain of airport fitness centers.

"The truth is some ideas are inherently flawed and this [one] is," he said.

The second team, seniors Joe Mueller and Federico Segura, pitched their business called Sessa, a social investing app, and O'Leary said he was interested and would be in touch.

The final student entrepreneur was freshmen Michael McRoskey who pitched his business called Red Bag, which sells \$5 homeless care packages.

O'Leary said he was reluctant to invest in the company for fear

it would become more of a charity than an actual business.

Audience members then voted for their favorite business idea via Poll Everywhere. Sessa won the audience vote and walked away with a \$100 cash prize and an expectation of a phone call from O'Leary.

O'Leary concluded his lecture with the cheer "Go Irish!" and spent the following day tailgating with fellow Irish fans before attending the Notre Dame vs. Louisville football game.

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INSIDE COLUMN

More to going home

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It's almost Thanksgiving break. And we all know what that means — having five days off of school, eating twice your weight in turkey and mashed potatoes, and finally being able to play Christmas music without being yelled at by everyone you know. And I mean, being thankful for everything we have, of course.

As much as I love all of those things, I'm not going to talk about any of them. Instead, this is a note to the freshmen about another thing that's as closely tied to Thanksgiving as turkey is — going home.

There's this saying that's pretty popular at Notre Dame — "Home is where the Dome is." It's a cute, snappy phrase that I think describes the atmosphere here pretty well. But when I was a freshman, that cute, snappy phrase scared me. Because to me, Notre Dame didn't feel like home at all.

Maybe some of you freshmen feel like that too. Maybe you hear all the students here talking about home and family and you're confused. You're confused because you would never say this campus feels like home, and you don't think you could call the friends you've met here family. And maybe that makes you wonder if you're actually meant to be here.

Or maybe you're struggling in Gen Chem, or Econ, or some other class you're taking. And you're starting to question if you're actually smart enough to go to Notre Dame. Maybe that type A, competitive spirit that so many of us here share is leading you to compare your scores to those of your friends — and you feel like when you do that you come up short. Or maybe your experience in college hasn't been what you had hoped it would be so far, and you definitely don't think it measures up to what all your friends from home are saying and posting about college. Or you feel like everyone here already has a million friends and you don't even know how you could meet that many people that quickly, much less become friends with them. Or maybe you feel all of those things. I definitely did.

For any of the freshmen that feel this way, let me tell you right now — you're not alone.

One of the things that I realized at the end of freshman year was that a ton of the people I thought had it all together had actually felt the same way I did.

Freshman year is a tough transition for everyone, but at the same time everyone feels the pressure to act like they know exactly what they're doing. In the end, everyone thinks that the only one struggling is them. I promise you that's not the case. For anyone who worries they're not meant to be here — you are. The reason you were accepted here is because you have the ability to succeed here. This place might not seem like home now, but give it time. Soon enough, coming back to campus after a break won't just feel like leaving home, it'll feel like coming home too.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Give thanks to dining hall workers

Thanksgiving is upon us. In a day or two, many of us will jump in a car or board a plane to head home, seeking to satisfy the dreams of relaxation and sleep that have been haunting us since fall break.

This Thursday most will gather around the table with family or friends to share an elaborate Thanksgiving meal and give thanks for bounty and blessings.

But why should we wait until then to give thanks for the food in front of us?

Let me ask you another question. How many times have you looked into the eyes of the dining hall attendant serving you when you ask for "two slices, please"? Or how many times have you simply handed your card to a card swiper upon entering the dining hall without even saying hello? Do you know the name of that woman who makes your salad just the way you like? Have you smiled at the man who refills the broccoli tray for you? Not to mention the many anonymous workers in our dining halls who toil behind the scenes to prepare, cook and clean up after each meal that we eat.

I think most days we take the dining halls for granted here at Notre Dame — not only for their sustenance, but also for their employees.

Trust me, I've been there too, more often than not. Because when you're late to lunch since your advising meeting ran over, and you've got 29 minutes before your next class, and you're worrying about having enough time to finish your reflection paper and problem set tonight while also having to apply for two jobs and call your grandmother by tomorrow, it's the simple things that suffer. But in the words of Mother Teresa, "We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do."

So this week, show that smile and give thanks for the food in front of you — and for the hands that put it there.

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Black Friday: a cautionary tale

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Reasonably Right

We hear about it every year on the news, headlines like "Shoppers trampled at local Target" or "Fight breaks out at Toys 'R' Us, shooting leaves two dead;" all this to get an extra 20 percent off of holiday-themed slippers or DVDs at half price. Are we so motivated by our desire to get that high-powered, ultra-high-tech cheese grater that we are willing to treat the retrieval of it as a military directive, aiming to get it at all, however discounted, costs?

As part of an AP Psychology project in high school, I went to a Target on Black Friday to people-watch. I remember my sister standing there with me (as she was kind enough to give me company) in the Target line, hundreds of people long, listening and laughing at the conversations of people around us. There was a group of five friends in front of us who actually drew up a detailed strategic plan to get in and get all the items they wanted, and were reviewing it in line for clarity of purpose and execution.

I was amazed to see how quickly people moved once we got inside. I was further astonished when I saw the quantity of items people were buying. Who knew one person could ever need five digital cameras, eight toasters, and a dozen copies of the movie *Tangled*? The scary part is that I'm not even making this stuff up; I counted and recounted all of it. Now, as a confession, I gave in and bought a copy of the movie *Invictus* for something like four dollars. I heard a lot of good things about it, hadn't seen it, and saw it in passing, and I figured, "Why not?" I still haven't watched it.

It was 9 a.m. by the time I had completed my people watching, and I had been at it for hours. People seemed to fit into a few categories: parents who wanted that sought-after toy for their child, young teenagers and 20-somethings who had their eyes on a few specific items, or parents who had to spend their money carefully and had to take advantage of the Black Friday sales to make their children's holiday season special. I wouldn't condemn any of these groups for going out on Black Friday and, frankly, if anyone were to tell me where I could find complete series collections of *The West Wing* or *M*A*S*H* for less than \$50, I would probably go out myself.

While I don't condemn Black Friday shoppers, I would, however, caution against a few of the perennially infamous issues surrounding the de facto consumerist holiday.

First, if you go Black Friday shopping, just please be mindful of others there. If anyone has fallen down, don't just assume someone else is going to help him or her up. Given how much stores stock up for Black Friday, the extra 30 seconds it takes to help someone out likely won't make you miss out on that military grade microwave.

Second, just because you can buy three washer-dryer sets for the price of one doesn't mean you should actually buy all three sets. Moderation is a good thing, and prices still add up, however discounted they may be. During my venture to Target, it was not uncommon for people to be shocked at the total price of the items they had thrown in their cart.

Third, get some actual sleep before heading out at 3 a.m. for some ridiculous doorbuster sale. Plan it out and be safe while you're out there, which includes being watchful for drowsy drivers on the road that aren't you.

My last precaution is one that ties into debates on Black Friday that have taken place in recent months. In the vast majority of cases, you have some family you could otherwise be spending your time with instead of taking part in Black Friday. As more and more stores try to get the jump on competitors by moving their opening times ahead, Thanksgiving is continually encroached upon. Target, Best Buy, Wal-Mart and Macy's are all opening at either 5 or 6 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, right when many families would have otherwise planned for a Thanksgiving feast. The time you can spend at home cultivating relationships and having fun worth reminiscing is immeasurably more valuable than buying an extra present. Remember the holidays that you might be buying presents for, including the purpose and message behind those holidays.

Be careful out there, and don't do anything that might plague future holiday seasons with bad memories or regret.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Rebuttal to 'SCOP stands against hate'

In "SCOP stands against hate," Tiernan Kane and Tim Bradley argue that, "what is hateful is to choose an action deliberately aimed at depriving oneself or another of living out the comprehensive sexual union of male and female." I disagree with this argument on several fronts.

Firstly, I am perplexed as to which actions Kane and Bradley refer.

They specify that remaining celibate or unmarried are not hateful actions, but fail to include examples of what actions do actually deprive people from "living out the comprehensive sexual union." Possibly because no one is really being deprived. A man and a woman can marry each other in all 50 states. No one is preventing them from entering into sexual union that is "exclusive, permanent [and] procreative." While marriages that do not fit into SCOP's specific definition are increasingly legally recognized by the state, this has no effect on the personal relationships of couples that choose to adhere to this strict

definition of marriage (Unless they are extraordinarily preoccupied with regulating other people's sex lives, which unfortunately is too often the case).

Secondly, I disagree with Kane and Bradley's premise that comprehensive sexual union is a good in itself.

Some people find "comprehensive sexual union" to be a good, but others do not. Not everyone subscribes to this definition of sexual union and marriage. Not everyone is able to have children. Not everyone wants to have children. Not everyone wants to get married or thinks that sex must be for procreation or is in love with someone of a different gender. If I don't value comprehensive sexual union as a good, then it is not an act of "self-hate" to "deprive" myself of such a union. Rather, it would be much more damaging to force myself (and a spouse) into a situation where I would be miserable.

I could argue, however, that love is a universal good in itself.

I personally think that being able to marry the person you love, regardless of their gender or the ability to procreate, is a good. Fortunately, men and women can marry each other in all 50 states whether or not they plan on procreation. However, same-sex couples are not legally allowed to marry in 16 states. In fact, there are even groups that actively seek to deprive same-sex couples of this good by advocating against same-sex marriage. Using SCOP's own definition ("to hate a person is to make it one's deliberate purpose that the person be deprived of some good"), such groups are being hateful instead of standing against hate.

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Thanks for nothing, Betty

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Capitol Comments

The shadow-laden east side of the Samuel Hahnemann monument in Washington offers homeless persons a dark and secluded overnight oasis. Tucked away off Scott Circle — a mere six blocks north of the White House at the intersection where Massachusetts and Rhode Island Avenues converge with 16th Street — a handful of street people congregate there each evening.

Some, like a woman I call "Betty," roll with them as many as three shopping carts overflowing with bulging plastic bags and milk crates. Others have only the clothing on their backs. Regardless of the number of his or her possessions, everyone who sleeps on that triangle of land actually has nothing.

One morning recently, during a predawn walk with my dog Peso, I wandered towards the circle following the source of distinctly different shrill sirens. First a fire truck and then a police car zipped by us and stopped just around the corner. When the monument came into my view, that usually shadowy area had burst into an array of red and blue strobe lights.

As two ambulances arrived screaming their deeper pitched woops, the fire truck trained white spotlights on the motionless body of Betty. Upon my arrival, EMT officers covered her and the police began cordoning off the area with yellow tape.

While it saddened me that I had witnessed her last day on earth, it would have been a bit haunting for me if I had not known her fate. With our long history of street meetings, I would have one day wondered to myself why I had not seen her in some

time. I was reminded of Lucius Seneca (4 BC – 65 AD), the Roman philosopher and tutor to Emperor Nero. Known as Seneca the Younger, he lived during the prime of Jesus. So it seems natural that he is credited with saying, "Nothing is so expensive as that which you have bought with pleas."

I had oftentimes during the past few years spoken to Betty and contributed to her daily existence.

One warm day, I handed her money and told her to get something cool to drink. She promised that she would, explaining that she might also get a pack of cigarettes even though she was trying to quit smoking. But she made it a point to say that only after she got the cool drink that I had requested.

Each time she saw me, she made it a point to say hello. She told me that she was saving up to go back to North Carolina and that she almost had enough money for an apartment. After I handed her \$10, she noted that she would put the entire amount towards her apartment since she already had cigarettes at the time. I told her to at least get a cool drink, which she promised she would do.

For about two months I did not see her, and I wondered if she had actually gone to North Carolina or had something happened to her. Near the end of summer, I did not recognize her since her weather-beaten face had darkened and wrinkled like leather. She saw me from across the street, abandoned her shopping carts and made an effort to dodge rush hour traffic to speak to me at my bus stop. No, she had not gotten to North Carolina but was still trying.

I next saw her in the autumn sitting on a step near my bus stop, but she did not recognize me. I noticed that a bottom tooth had weirdly grown about an inch longer than the others and was now

staying outside her top lip. She was babbling at the sky while flailing her hands to accent her points. I heard North Carolina mentioned, but not in any coherent context. She had no words or promises for me on that day.

When the frigid Canadian air arrived, I ignored her calls from across the street one day when the traffic prevented her from catching up with me. Later that week, she did not see me, but I sought her out in an attempt to right my karma inequities. While I handed her money, I told her to buy some hot soup to warm up. She promised that she would.

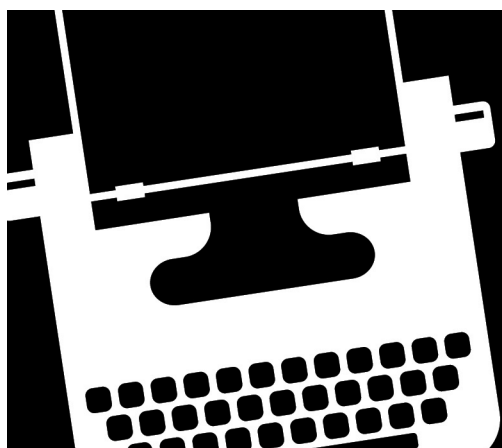
A day later she came up to me and asked if I could help her get some soup. I handed her money and asked if she was warm enough. She said that she was warm and expected to be going to North Carolina soon. I promised her that I would help her get placed in a warm shelter if she got cold. She replied that she did not like shelters, but promised to buy soup. That was the last time I spoke to her.

It is ironic to think of Seneca knowing that those of us with plenty are nothing without those who have nothing.

What would a rich tenet of our religion be without Betty's expensive plea for soup? For Betty, and for the opportunity to have bought her cigarettes for sure, Thanksgiving will be a richer experience for me this week.

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To me, there is no statement more cringe-worthy than the three-word assertion that “women aren’t funny.” Still, I hear it in various iterations and degrees of seriousness by friends, family and anonymous commenters online nearly every day.

The opposite side of the coin can be just as cringe-worthy: the telling of professionally-funny women they are great “female” comedians acknowledges their humor but also qualifies it. So, what’s a “female comedian” to do?

Chelsea Peretti hilariously and intelligently addresses this question — and many more — in her latest stand-up special, “One of the Greats,” now available for instant streaming through Netflix.

The comic, writer and star of Fox’s “Brooklyn Nine-Nine” tackles everything from the public and media’s perception of women to her own questions and insecurities about being a comedian, weaving together layers of jokes and observations through both live stand-up and some especially great editing and off-stage additions.

For example, the stand-up set, which she performed in Oakland, California, native performed in San Francisco (she occasionally quipped with the audience about being from the Bay area) was intercut with short, surreal shots of Peretti dressed up as a clown, mocking herself on stage. At another point, she’s confronted by an image of herself in middle school in the audience, the shot flickering from adult Peretti dressed in young clothes to a photograph bizarrely sitting in a theater seat, coming to life and assuring Peretti she doesn’t have to turn her problems into jokes.

This extra layer of self-awareness within the special makes it especially rich. Peretti is able to simultaneously riff about awkward silences at dinner parties while calling attention to the existential questions she faces by taking the stage. The result is a strange and wonderfully executed meta-comedy that pulls back the curtain on the darkness behind standup while still pulling in laughs.

It seems at first glance that Peretti contradicts herself or doesn’t give us answers we want to the questions she raises about comedy, especially being woman in comedy. At times she talks about the stupidity of the question “What’s it like being a female comedian?” but at other times talks about

uniquely female experiences, what some may interpret as a contradictory act.

But that’s the genius of Peretti’s special. By doing this, both sharing her experiences through traditional standup and revealing her self-awareness and reservation about the act in the off-stage segments of the special, Peretti beautifully reveals the double standards faced by comedians who are women. “One of the Greats” exposes anxiety felt by not just female comedians, but women who want to share their experiences without the threat of seeming cliché or perpetuating stereotypes.

The stand-up is at its best during these most self-aware moments, but to execute such a statement in a special, Peretti also had to be hilarious — and she is. The special cuts to absurd and delightful plants in the audience, perfectly mocking the genre of comedy specials. Within her stand-up performance, her impressions of surfer bros and “hot girls” who give bad dating advice are excellent, and her physical comedy prompts plenty of big laughs several times throughout the show.

To top it off, Peretti wonderfully balances more subtle humor and nuanced meta-comedy with bold, unapologetic confidence. By titling her special “One of the Greats,” planting super-fans in the

audience and jokingly calling herself a “one of the top touring comedians in the country right now,” Peretti’s attitude is both funny and wildly thought-provoking. (I repeatedly asked myself, “What would I think if a male comedian said that?” or “That sounds like something a male comedian would say,” which I don’t believe was an accidental on Peretti’s part.) At times, she abruptly switches between talking about her insecurities and anxieties to unabashed self-assurance, and through this dissonance reveals so much more than could simply be delivered via punch line.

The subtlety and smartness of “One of the Greats” puts Peretti at the top of my list of comedians. The special is complex, political and hysterical, and Peretti makes it look easy. I can’t wait to see what the comedian has in store. Luckily, “One of the Greats” can be watched again and again, with new layers of jokes and commentary emerging with each viewing like sifting for gold.

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privacy in the private sector

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The era of the unsecured connection is over. With leakers Julian Assange and Edward Snowden becoming dinner table topics and net neutrality being a growing concern outside of inner Reddit circles, there has been a general reevaluation of one’s online activity and security.

Recently, Silicon Valley has ramped up their response to the wary public. In the past month, Facebook announced a Tor-specific site available to those interested in extra levels of security, then in the two past weeks Whatsapp implemented end-to-end encryption for Android devices, with plans to extend the service to iOS devices.

Before you get too lost in the tech mumbo-jumbo in the last paragraph, here’s a bit of background. Facebook’s unveiling gained more visibility for the Dark Web, a collection of websites hidden behind multiple levels of encryption with tools like

Tor and I2P that hide user and site IP addresses. While the Dark Web is famous for big names like Silk Road, an online drug black market, and child pornography, recently it has been enabling more productive services, such as SecureDrop, which allows for the secure upload of leaked documents to news sites.

It may not be clear at first why a site like Facebook, which requires users to give an identity upon entry, would be on the Dark Web, but Tor and I2P work by encrypting and decrypting web traffic in layers through various servers chosen at random around the world. Since each step only removes one layer of encryption, it becomes next to impossible to track the relay of signals back to the user. Although using Tor on Facebook won’t make you a ghost on the network, it gets around local censorship and surveillance. The move from Facebook comes as the next step of customer security, following up on the general SSL security offered by most tech companies today.

Whereas Facebook’s appeal to Tor users is rather specific, Whatsapp’s new encryption service seeks to enable the security of all users, whether or not they understand what is happening behind the user interface. Whatsapp integrated Textsecure into its software, which allows for end-to-end encryption. In the past, messages would be shielded while traversing the space between the users’ devices and Whatsapp servers, however end-to-end security now scrambles messages on the device itself, and only unscrambles them when reaching the target. This allows user conversations to be hidden from not only prying eyes, but the Facebook-owned company itself.

The only other messaging software of similar capacity, according to Wired, is Apple’s iMessage. However, Textsecure has been lauded as a much stronger alternative to the Apple service. A major concern with iMessage is a lack of so called “forward security,” meaning that a single encryption key is generated for each user.

Thus if the user’s key is cracked or obtained in some way, all of her encrypted data is vulnerable. Even more striking though is the prompt to back up iMessages to Apple’s iCloud, which would probably be considered one of the least secure platform by the general public after the photo leaks scandal earlier in the semester.

Both Facebook and Whatsapp represent the necessary next steps that need to be taken by tech companies. Many consider Tor access to be a necessity for any company hoping to keep pace. With the NSA building bigger and better and all the while less-regulated facilities, it makes sense to fear for our information and demand the private sector to address the issue. Even if you have nothing to hide, if you’re uncomfortable with someone looking over your shoulder in person, why should someone doing it online be any more natural?

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Free fall

Notre Dame suffers its fourth loss in last five games, falling to No. 24 Louisville, 31-28, on Saturday

Irish should have gotten more on Senior Day



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This team deserved better than a loss on Senior Day, especially one that came so close to being a win.

We thought if the Irish stayed clean and kept the ball secure the entire game, they would come out with a victory. They turned the ball over only once on a second-quarter interception, but the score still read in Louisville's favor when time ran out.

They deserved better for sticking together when no one thought they could. Many people doubted how good a team this young and inexperienced could be after losing talent like Stephon Tuitt, Prince Shembo and Louis Nix. Then they stuck together after an NCAA investigation took away five of their teammates from games and practices right before the season kicked off.

They deserved better for Everett Golson, who came back from his suspension with a vengeance, boosting himself into Heisman contention for the first half of the season, and who put all of the blame on himself for a horrid 55-31 loss to Arizona State that, for all intents and purposes, derailed Notre Dame's season.

This Golson displayed nothing but maturity and leadership throughout the entire season, and he deserved to walk off the field with a win, even if he gets to repeat Senior Day next season.

The team deserved better for Austin Collinworth, who went around the locker room after the game and hugged each of his teammates and told them how much he loved them. Collinworth captained the Irish from the sidelines despite suffering injuries in the early part of the season that kept him from regular playing time until last week's matchup with Northwestern.

They deserved better for Matt Hegarty, who recovered from a stroke he suffered sophomore year, got stronger and better the last two seasons and became a starter on the offensive line this year.

The Irish deserved better for Joe Schmidt, the heart, soul and

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EMILY MCCONVILLE | The Observer

Irish sophomore safety Max Redfield, left, consoles senior running back Cam McDaniel following Notre Dame's 31-28 loss to Louisville on Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium.

By ZACH KLONSINSKI
Sports Writer

After a slow start, Notre Dame's late fourth-quarter comeback bid was just inches off, as it fell to Louisville on Senior Day, 31-28.

The Irish (7-4) had a late chance to send the game to overtime, but senior kicker Kyle Brindza's 32-yard field goal slid wide of the right upright, handing Notre Dame

its first loss on Senior Day in Irish head coach Brian Kelly's tenure.

With the Irish on the Louisville 10-yard line and 1:42 remaining, a rush by sophomore running back Tarean Folston moved Notre Dame to the nine, before a designed quarterback draw was blown up by the Louisville defense and lost six yards.

"We ran a quarterback draw, and we got our butts

kicked up front," Kelly said.

A pass by senior quarterback Everett Golson sailed over the head of junior receiver C.J. Prosise on third down from the 15-yard line, setting up Brindza's attempt. Kelly said after the game that the hold by sophomore quarterback Malik Zaire was not "executed at the level it needed to be."

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PLAYER OF THE GAME

REGGIE BONNAFON
CARDINALS FRESHMAN QUARTERBACK

The redshirt freshman passed for 180 yards and one touchdown and added 35 more yards and two scores on the ground. He contributed to all but one of the Cardinals' touchdowns, and his game troubled the Irish defense all day.

QUOTE OF THE GAME

"We've lost back-to-back games because we couldn't put down a ball and kick it 32 yards."

Irish head coach Brian Kelly explains Notre Dame's late losses to Northwestern and Louisville.

Young, depleted ND defense exposed vs. Cardinals

By GREG HADLEY
Associate Sports Editor

On a day devoted to its seniors, the exceedingly young Irish defense struggled to play with veteran poise in the first quarter, dooming Notre Dame to an early deficit that it would not escape.

Entering the game, the Irish were already suffering from the losses of junior captain and defensive lineman Sheldon Day and senior linebacker Joe Schmidt, forcing Irish head coach Brian Kelly to play five true freshmen and seven sophomores.

Then, on Louisville's first play from scrimmage, junior defensive lineman Jarron Jones collected a sack, only to come up hobbling and go to the sideline.

"We played pretty much the whole game without Jarron Jones and [all of it without] Sheldon Day [and] Joe Schmidt," Kelly said. "We had a lot of freshmen in there, a lot of young guys, and they battled as best they could. I mean, we're getting everything out of them. They played with great effort. We just made some mistakes."

Jones's absence on that first drive was felt right away as the Cardinals racked up 61 rushing yards on eight attempts, capped off by a 12-yard touchdown rush from freshman quarterback Reggie Bonnafon. Even when the Irish forced Louisville into a third-and-14 situation, senior running back Michael Dyer was able to break through several arm tackles, picking up 21 yards and the first down.

"Just the little mistakes that are adding up to big plays are the things that are really killing us," Irish sophomore defensive lineman Isaac Rochell said.

"The effort was there," Irish sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith said. "It's just about having that physical and mental mentality to the point that we're not going to be denied. And that's where age plays a picture."

For most of the game, the lone veteran on the field for Notre Dame's defense was graduate student safety Austin Collinworth. Collinworth missed seven games this year while dealing with injuries to his MCL and shoulder and said the injury to his shoulder changed his tackling approach.

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REPORT CARD

C QUARTERBACKS

The good news for the Irish was that Golson turned the ball over only once. However, one of his recovered fumbles cost the Irish offense 32 yards in one of the team's worst blunders of the night. His 236 passing yards weren't enough to cancel that one out.

C RUNNING BACKS

Tarean Folston continued to impress, picking up 134 yards on the ground, including one rush for 26 yards and another for a touchdown. However, his performance alone was not enough to balance out the rest of the group, which accumulated just 20 yards.

B RECEIVERS

Will Fuller again contributed the bulk of the load for the receiving corps, and his touchdown off a deflection off a Louisville defender tightened the Irish deficit to three in the fourth quarter. Brown, Prorise and Robinson all added catches of more than 20 yards.

D OFFENSIVE LINE

Golson was sacked three times, the Irish picked up a meager 99 total rushing yards, and Nick Martin's attempt to land on a Golson fumble added to the overall 32-yard loss. On the best play of the game for Notre Dame, the touchdown to Fuller, Golson had to scramble like a madman to avoid the Louisville defense.

B- DEFENSIVE LINE

The line may have been hurt by the absence of Sheldon Day and the early loss of Jarron Jones, but it stepped up to sack Louisville quarterback Reggie Bonnafon four times for a loss of 32 yards. That being said, it also let the Cardinals rush for 229 yards.

B- LINEBACKERS

This was another group that felt the loss of veterans and had to rely on freshmen to fill the gaps. Nyles Morgan picked up 10 tackles before his targeting ejection, and Brian Kelly said Greer Martini impressed him in taking over for Morgan. However, they also let Brandon Radcliff rush for 136 yards and allowed Bonnafon two scores on the ground.

B- DEFENSIVE BACKS

Like Folston, Cole Luke seems to get better in every game of his sophomore campaign. Luke largely limited the impact of DeVante Parker. The rest of the unit struggled, with Devin Butler's blown coverage on Parker's touchdown and Austin Collinsworth missing several tackles.

D SPECIAL TEAMS

Plain and simple, Kyle Brindza's missed field goal with less than a minute left cost the Irish the game. Kelly said he didn't know if that was the fault of Brindza or holder Malik Zaire, but either way, special teams fell through when it needed to put points on the board.

B- COACHING

At least the two-point conversion worked this week. But early gains by Cardinals receivers brought up the question of why Kelly stuck with Collinsworth and Tranquill in the secondary and barely rotated in Elijah Shumate and Max Redfield.



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Irish sophomore linebacker Jaylon Smith drops to one knee after Notre Dame's 31-28 loss to Louisville on Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium on Senior Day.

Loss

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Golson said Zaire held himself responsible for the miss.

"Yeah, I talked to him vaguely about it," Golson said. "I think he took accountability for it."

Notre Dame's penultimate drive ended on the bounce that gave Irish fans hope for a win after one slipped away last week against Northwestern. Down two scores and facing a third-and-13 from the Louisville 28-yard line, Golson broke a couple tackles in the pocket before rolling right and heaving the ball towards the end zone. Intended for 6-foot-4.5 sophomore receiver Corey Robinson, the ball bounced off a Cardinal defender into the air, falling into the waiting hands of sophomore receiver Will Fuller for the Irish touchdown.

"[Golson] keeping the play alive, anything can happen," Fuller said. "I saw Corey covered pretty well, so I was just waiting to see if there was any batted ball, and luckily, it was right there."

Golson worked similar magic on the ensuing two-point conversion attempt. He rolled right originally before backing out and following a couple blockers all the way back across the field to convert the try and move the Irish within a field goal with 11 minutes remaining in the game.

The senior finished the game 16-for-24 with 236 yards and two touchdowns through the air. Fuller led the team with five receptions for 105 yards and one touchdown.

Near the end of the game, Cardinals freshman quarterback Reggie Bonnafon was sacked for a 14-yard loss by freshman linebacker Greer

Martini on third-and-goal. Louisville redshirt junior kicker John Wallace pushed the 37-yard field goal attempt wide right, but the Irish were unable to capitalize.

"We had a chance with the ball in our own hands with a minute to go and a chance to win, and we've got to cash that in and score," Kelly said. "That's how I see it."

The disappointing end followed the Irish battling back into the game after a slow first half offensively. The Cardinals jumped out to an early lead as Bonnafon ran for two early touchdowns en route to building a 17-6 halftime lead.

After forcing a Louisville three-and-out to start the second half, the Irish marched 51 yards in three plays. Folston reversed field and escaped around the left edge for a six-yard touchdown run that cut the Louisville lead to 17-13 just more than two minutes into the third quarter.

"We knew what we had to do coming into the game, coming into halftime," Folston said. "The second half was just continue to play hard and execute better."

"We definitely got back to running the ball a little bit more," Golson said. "I think that opened up a couple things for us."

After another Louisville three-and-out, Irish sophomore running back Greg Bryant returned the punt 61 yards to the Louisville three-yard line. Golson found Robinson on third-and-goal from the seven-yard line to give Notre Dame the 20-17 lead.

"I knew he was going to make something happen," Folston said of Bryant's return. "I told him, 'Just keep your head in it, and you're going to make something happen,' and that's

what happened."

The Cardinals regained control after an eight-play, 81-yard drive capped by Bonnafon's 21-yard touchdown toss to senior receiver DeVante Parker to seize control once again, 24-20. Sophomore running back Brandon Radcliff's 15-yard score on the next drive extended Louisville's lead to 31-20. Radcliff's 136 yards on the ground led the Cardinals, who gained 229 yards on 50 rush attempts. Folston paced the Irish with 134 rushing yards, and senior running back Cam McDaniel added 20 more.

The Irish have played many underclassmen this year, and this year's seniors said they tried to impress a positive message upon the younger players after the game.

"I just walked around to every one of the players and told them that I loved them and thanked them," graduate student safety and captain Austin Collinsworth said. "I told them beforehand, 'You leave your soul on that field, and there's no regrets.' And they did, and I love them for it."

The Irish have to regroup to travel west next week for the regular-season finale against USC in Los Angeles. The seniors also had a message ready for their team about that.

"We're a close team and we talked — Cam McDaniel started talking to the team after the game, and we've just got to come together and finish strong," senior offensive lineman and captain Nick Martin said. "But there's no doubt about the talent we have on this team, and we've just got to make plays in those situations."

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The Irish didn't play a bad game, but they certainly did not play one good enough to earn a Senior Day victory. Golson corrected his turnover problems for the most part, but he struggled in other areas. The young defense may have gained experience valuable for next year, but so much inexperience wasn't ideal for Notre Dame on Saturday.

PLAY OF THE GAME

KYLE BRINDZA'S 32-YARD MISSED FIELD GOAL

Notre Dame had a chance to tie the game up at 31 with less than a minute left, and Brindza's kick fell wide right instead of through the uprights. Louisville took over on downs and promptly closed out the game to deny the Irish a victory in their final home contest of the season.



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Irish senior kicker Kyle Brindza misses a 32-yard field goal in the final minute of regulation Saturday during Notre Dame's 31-28 loss to Louisville at Notre Dame Stadium.

Defense

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"It's just hard for me to wrap with that arm. That's the only thing," Collinsworth said. "[I had to change my form] a little bit."

While the Irish suffered from mental errors, they failed to punish the Cardinals for theirs. On its second drive of the game, the Louisville offense committed three false start penalties over an eight-play sequence but was still able to convert on a third-and-16 from its own 35-yard line.

Blown coverage down the middle of field left redshirt senior receiver Kai De La Cruz wide open for a 52-yard bomb from Bonnafon, setting up another rushing score and putting the Irish down 14-3 at the end of the first quarter.

"[It was] zone read, we're [in] great coverage and we've got two guys playing the wrong coverage," Kelly said. "[We] just made mistakes. When we were lined up properly and in our right fits and doing the right things, we did a pretty good job."

Collinsworth took responsibility for the hole in the Irish defense.

"We've got to close in the middle of the field," Collinsworth said. "We just came up a little short, but I've got to be able to overlap a little better than I did."

By halftime, the Irish defense had allowed the Cardinals to convert on four of eight third-downs, including three of 10 yards or more. However, after the opening two touchdowns, Notre Dame rallied to allow just a Louisville field goal the rest of the half.

"We just started to get our cleats

in the grass, talking it over on the sideline," Irish sophomore cornerback Cole Luke said. "We went over the mistakes that we made."

However, led by redshirt sophomore running back Brandon Radcliff, the Cardinals rallied to collect 102 yards on the ground in the third quarter on just five attempts. Radcliff also provided a fourth-quarter score that put Louisville ahead, 31-20.

Despite the young defense's mistakes, Smith said there were still positives to take away from starting so many underclassmen.

"Just the experience ... the atmosphere, even losing in this case, it's something that we're all learning," Smith said. "We're all just continuing to learn."

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Seniors

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"Papa Bear" of the defense, whose injury against Navy ended his senior season in a place no one wanted it to — on the sidelines. If you don't think Schmidt still continues to inspire his teammates, just ask Jaylon Smith why he wore a No. 38 jersey Saturday.

Notre Dame deserved better for Kyle Brindza, who has taken much of the heat for the last few losses and has not received enough credit for going down in the record books as one of the best kickers in Notre Dame history.

They deserved better for the entire senior class honored at midfield before Saturday's game, but they also deserved better for the younger players who had to step in and learn on their feet, like Drue Tranquill, Nyles Morgan and Greer Martini. Those freshmen almost led the Irish to a victory on the last day their oldest teammates took the field at Notre Dame Stadium.

And Notre Dame deserved better for all its seniors, including the ones in the stands instead of on the sidelines. Those seniors stuck with the team through a lackluster 8-5 freshman year, a crushing defeat to Alabama in the BCS National

Championship Game and a final season that saw their team lose at least four of their final six regular-season games. They deserved to sing their final Alma Mater with their heads held high in victory.

Maybe the Irish can earn a win against USC next weekend and then a bowl-game victory after that.

They deserve to have their final season end that way, at least.

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Hayes debuts for Irish

Observer Staff Report

When freshman defensive lineman Jay Hayes took the field for the Irish on Saturday, he became the ninth true freshman to play defense for Notre Dame this season.

Freshman linebacker Greer Martini notched a sack after fellow freshman linebacker Nyles Morgan was ejected for a targeting penalty in the fourth quarter. Under NCAA rules, Morgan will also be suspended for the first half of Notre Dame's game against USC next Saturday.

It was Morgan's third

personal foul in the past two games.

Louisville's eight-play, 93-yard touchdown drive in the first quarter marked the first time this season Notre Dame has surrendered a scoring drive of 80 yards or more.

When sophomore receiver Will Fuller grabbed a touchdown pass late in the fourth quarter, he upped his season total to 14, one score away from the program record of 15, most recently tied by Golden Tate in 2009.

Fuller also entered the matchup tied for the FBS lead in touchdown receptions. He currently sits in second.



Greg Bryant's 61-yard punt return in the third quarter was the longest since 2009 and of Brian Kelly's career at Notre Dame.

Senior quarterback Everett Golson now has 41 career touchdown passes, tying him for fifth in Notre Dame history.

Golson also threw an interception for the eighth straight game. That brings his season total to 13. The Notre Dame record is 18, set most recently in 1984 by Steve Beuerlein.

Golson and the Irish offense failed to score a touchdown in the first half for the first time this season.

SCORING SUMMARY

	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	TOTAL
	14	3	7	7	31
	3	3	14	8	17

1 NOTRE DAME 3, LOUISVILLE 0

Kyle Brindza 28-yard field goal

⌚ 11:54 remaining

Drive: Six plays, 43 yards, 3:06 elapsed

LOUISVILLE 7, NOTRE DAME 3

Reggie Bonafon 12-yard run (Wallace kick)

⌚ 7:01 remaining

Drive: 10 plays, 75 yards, 4:53 elapsed

LOUISVILLE 14, NOTRE DAME 3

Reggie Bonafon eight-yard run (Wallace kick)

⌚ 0:54 remaining

Drive: Eight plays, 93 yards, 3:43 elapsed

2 LOUISVILLE 14, NOTRE DAME 6

Kyle Brindza 37-yard field goal

⌚ 14:51 remaining

Drive: Five plays, 53 yards, 1:03 elapsed

LOUISVILLE 17, NOTRE DAME 6

John Wallace 26-yard field goal

⌚ 9:01 remaining

Drive: Four plays, two yards, 1:54 elapsed

3 LOUISVILLE 17, NOTRE DAME 13

Tarean Folston six-yard run (Brindza kick)

⌚ 12:47 remaining

Drive: Three plays, 51 yards, 0:45 elapsed

NOTRE DAME 20, LOUISVILLE 17

Robinson seven-yard pass from Golson (Brindza kick)

⌚ 9:20 remaining

Drive: Three plays, three yards, 1:26 elapsed

LOUISVILLE 24, NOTRE DAME 20

Parker 21-yard pass from Bonnafon (Wallace kick)

⌚ 5:46 remaining

Drive: Eight plays, 81 yards, 3:34 elapsed

4 LOUISVILLE 31, NOTRE DAME 20

Brandon Radcliff 15-yard run (Wallace kick)

⌚ 14:55 remaining

Drive: Six plays, 80 yards, 3:11 elapsed

LOUISVILLE 31, NOTRE DAME 28

Will Fuller 28-yard pass from Golson (Brindza kick)

⌚ 11:17 remaining

Drive: Seven plays, 73 yards, 3:38 elapsed

STATISTICS

PASSING

Golson 16-24-236 Bonnafon 8-21-180

RUSHING

Folston 18-134 Radcliff 17-136
McDaniel 2-22 Dyer 13-61
Prosisie 1-(-2) Bonnafon 15-35
Golson 6-(-48) Brown 1-4

RECEIVING

Fuller 5-109 Parker 4-65
Brown 4-49 De La Cruz 2-70
Robinson 3-41 Christian 1-38
Prosisie 2-25 Rogers 1-7
Hunter Jr. 1-7
Koyack 1-5

TACKLES

Smith 11 Floyd 8
Morgan 10 Kelsey 6
Farley 7 Sample 5
Collinsworth 6 Reve 5
Matuska 5 Gaines, Mount, Brown 3
Tranquill 5 Rankins, Burgess 3



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Louisville redshirt sophomore safety Gerod Holliman (8) defends a pass from Irish senior quarterback Everett Golson in the end zone during Notre Dame's 31-28 loss to the Cardinals on Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish have lost four of their last five games.

NOT IN THE CARDS

Kyle Brindza pushed a 32-yard field goal wide right with 51 seconds left in regulation, and Notre Dame ended up losing, 31-28, to Louisville on Saturday on Senior Day at Notre Dame Stadium. The young Irish defense surrendered 409 yards of total offense to the Cardinals. The Irish have lost four of five games and now sit at 7-4 heading into the regular-season finale against USC on Saturday.



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Irish freshman safety Drue Tranquill reaches up to haul in an interception at the end of the second quarter Saturday.



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Irish senior running back Cam McDaniel tries to break free from Louisville defenders Saturday.



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Irish freshman running back Tarean Folston scurries through a hole during Saturday's loss.



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The Irish jog onto the field before Saturday's 31-28 loss to Louisville at Notre Dame Stadium on Senior Day. The Irish are now 7-4 after suffering their third consecutive loss.

THANKS A TON: A NON-EDIBLE GUIDE TO THANKSGIVING

By **EMILIE KEFALAS**
Scene Writer

I might be biased because I was born in the fall, but the transition from autumn to winter holidays is on top as my favorite stage of the year. It's like ordering bottomless pancakes with each one more delicious and mouth-watering than the next. We've checked the box on Halloween, and now, in the eloquent words of Mr. Charles Brown, "we've got another holiday to worry about."

No, it's not considered the "most wonderful time of the year," for some. As an 8-year-old, I likened Thanksgiving to the Christmas Eve of the Christmas season. Every little preparation for Thanksgiving was a glorious reminder as to how close Christmas was, replacing the turkey plates and cups with fake pine trees, vibrantly colored lights and the apotheosis of all that is merry and bright: Christmas music. I take an unbreakable vow following every Halloween to shield my ear from the temptation of the early birds' chirp, the sound of those who skip Thanksgiving altogether and project Pandora's holiday station from their cars and quads.

Therefore, in honor of Thanksgiving and all it encompasses for each of us, allow me to turn this page into a sample feast of Turkey Day's finest in entertainment and tradition. You may have tasted some of these before, others you might try for the first time this year. I encourage you to hold off on Christmas for just a smidgen bit longer so that you can savor and enjoy the family, friends and memories of November's last Thursday.

Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade

If you did not grow up watching this signature Thanksgiving spectacle, I seriously question what you were doing instead. To this day, my bucket list includes performing in this cornucopia of giant floats, balloons and performances in every fine arts category, from high school bands to Broadway musicals. The 88-year-old parade is appropriately referred to as the official kick-off to the holiday season, seen by more than 3.5 million people on the streets of New York and an additional 50 million people from the comfort of their home. Originally the parade was called the Macy's Christmas Parade, started by Macy's employees and instantly proclaimed an annual event,

according to the event's website. The first giant character balloon debuted was Felix the Cat in 1927, starting a trend of iconic pop culture character balloons including Mickey Mouse, Popeye, Hello Kitty and the character with the most balloons in history, Snoopy. More than 8,000 volunteers participate in the parade every year, marching all of the 2.5 miles through the streets of Manhattan. Also, the National Dog Show is live immediately after the parade if you find yourself craving cute canines.

Thanksgiving Television Specials

Thanksgiving always manages to bring out the best in cable. When done right, the general themes of family and friendship aren't overly forced upon any characters because the ideals of Thanksgiving provide a backdrop of warm, fuzzy feels. Before wisdom reflects and waxes regret and nostalgia at New Year's, it heats up at the table of Charlie Brown, Fraiser Crane and President Jed Bartlet. Don't forget all the side dishes of wordplay such as "Slapsgiving" in "How I Met Your Mother," "Merry Thanksgiving" from "Two and a Half Men" or "Seinfeld's" chaotic "Mom

and Pop Store."

"A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" taught me some of my first full sentences, like, "Where's the mashed potatoes? Where's the cranberry sauce? Where's the pumpkin pie?" Another Peanuts Thanksgiving-related special not nearly as well-known is "This is America, Charlie Brown: The Mayflower Voyagers," one I strongly recommend if you want to brush up on your history Snoopy-style.

Why rush through the quintessential Americana festivities of this upcoming day of thanks? It's consistent in date and time and promises copious amounts of each individual food group. Christmas is more marketable in comparison, but the retail of Thanksgiving touches exclusively upon the identity and foundation of United States's history. The reunions and togetherness celebrated are bittersweet as families grow, shrink and alter with each year's circumstances. However, in spite of what is lost by year's end, the joy of Thanksgiving manifests in the blessings found in life's unrest, what and who pursues.

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NOT A BARBIE WORLD

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In 1997, pop group Aqua sang, "I'm a Barbie girl, in a Barbie world. Life in plastic, it's fantastic."

But it's not realistic, attainable or something young girls should aspire to, so this past week saw "life in plastic" redefined.

Nickolay Lamm, a Pittsburgh graphic designer, created the Lammily doll with proportions reflecting the average 19-year-old girl. His crowd-funded campaign raised \$500,000, and he has announced the dolls will go into production before the holidays.

The dolls not only channel a more realistic body type — one that can fit a full liver and would be able to walk on two feet in real life, unlike Barbie — but can also be given acne, freckles, scars and even cellulite via a sticker pack.

In a video on Lamm's YouTube channel, second graders at St. Edmund's Academy in Pittsburgh were interviewed about the Lammily doll. The children gave heartwarming feedback like "she looks like my sister." All of the girls interviewed thought the Lammily doll looked more like them

than Barbie and said they would rather receive a Lammily doll than a Barbie.

Barbie has a reputation for bolstering restrictive gender role ideals, famously pointed out by Lisa Simpson who worried that her Malibu Stacy doll would have girls growing up thinking they could "never be more than vacuous ninnies." Mattel, however, has tried to expand her career endeavors past model and make-up artist — careers the second graders at St. Edmund's pictured her doing. However, an attempt at a computer engineer Barbie proved futile and has gone viral.

In 2010, Mattel released a computer engineer edition of their Barbie book series "I Can Be ..." Now, the book has come under media fire after blog posts exposing the book, which perpetuates the idea that women need men in shining armor — or graphic tees — to help them solve problems. Excerpts include a conversation between Barbie and her sister, Skipper about the computer game Barbie is working on.

"I'm only creating the design ideas," Barbie says, laughing. "I'll need Steven's and Brian's help to turn it into a real game."

Mattel and Random House have since announced the print and e-book

publications will be discontinued.

In the midst of the controversy, the story has been reworked by Casey Fiesler, a PhD student in computing, into "I (Really) Can Be A Computer Engineer." She features Barbie as a competent coder, frustrated that her friends would assume boys coded her game for her after she posts a screenshot on Twitter.

It is refreshing to see the call for an updated, empowering role model for young girls, but elsewhere, the focus has shifted to a fresh series of toys aimed at young girls aspiring to more than a Malibu Beach house.

Chances are you've seen the viral commercial set to the Beastie Boy's "Girls" that features three girls bored with the pageants on TV and proceed to repurpose their pink toys to create an elaborate Rube Goldberg machine and empowering message from the emerging brand GoldieBlox.

According to the company's website, its goal is to "disrupt the pink aisle and inspire the future generation of female engineers." GoldieBlox's CEO, Debbie Sterling — an engineer and Stanford graduate, wants to increase the number of females in engineering. As of now, only 11 percent of the

world's engineers are women.

In a more recent commercial the GoldieBlox marketers set the gold standard even higher, channeling a "1984"-esque scene in which Big Sister repeats: "You are beauty and beauty is perfection." Young girls in pink fur vests and sparkly heels pick up dolls off of an assembly line to Metric's "Help I'm Alive."

Conveying a message addressed in the "Girls" commercial, a girl in denim overalls and red Converse takes a hammer to the machine. The doll production stops and the girls gleefully take off their heels. The ad is to sell an action figure for girls that channels the overall-ed rebel and challenges fashion dolls that fly off the shelves.

The idea of toys that allow girls to do more than take clothes on and off of unattainable — or "normal" — plastic bodies is a promising trend. These new toys break the pink, bedazzled, bow-shaped mold and encourage girls to become independent problem-solvers.

These days, it's hard to be a Barbie girl in an evolving world.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

Okafor aims to lead Duke to top

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The road to March Madness — one of the greatest American cultural phenomenons — is now underway, and as we watch the elite teams distinguish themselves from the pretenders, it would be a travesty if we fail to recognize the play of some of the best players on the court. Specifically, I would like to highlight the play of Duke's preseason All-American, Jahlil Okafor.

The freshman center is already terrorizing opponents in the paint, five games into his collegiate career. He is averaging 15.8 points, eight rebounds and shooting 60 percent from the field while leading Duke to an early 5-0 record. Before going to play for Blue Devils coach Mike Krzyzewski, Okafor was projected to be an NBA lottery pick based solely on his high school play.

Okafor played his high school ball at Whitney Young High School in Chicago, where he led the Dolphins to a state title as a senior. Being from Chicago myself, I was lucky enough to watch him play a couple of games. Against another basketball powerhouse, Simeon, Okafor played an outstanding game against another former Duke star, Jabari Parker, but lost.

Despite that, it was clear that Okafor was incredibly talented. His physicality was second to none, and he was unstoppable when scoring. Similar to his current style of play, Okafor combined old-school physical basketball with a smooth finesse in the post. His versatility obviously served him well, as he went on to win MVP of the 2014 McDonald's All-American game, 2014 Illinois Mr. Basketball and National Player of the Year for USA Today and the Chicago Sun-Times.

In addition to his success in Chicago, Okafor made his stamp in international competition. He won gold medals in three straight summers playing for team USA's U-16, U-17 and U-19

teams. While playing for Team USA, his recruitment activity shot through the roof as he was working with elite college basketball coaches like Florida coach Billy Donovan.

Following Parker's footsteps, Okafor decided to commit to Duke after carefully considering other offers from Kentucky, Michigan State, North Carolina and Kansas. Competing against other recruits like center Cliff Alexander from Curie High School for the top spot in the 2014 recruiting class, Okafor proved that he was a national recruiting gem after leading Whitney Young to the Class 4A state title while scoring well over 20 points per game his senior year.

When it was time to announce where he would be playing college basketball, Okafor's decision came down to being able to play with his childhood friend, Tyus Jones, who is now the point guard for the Blue Devils. Already on the watch-lists for the Wooden and the Naismith awards, Okafor is primed to have a big season at Duke.

Not surprisingly, Okafor's family consists of former and current basketball players. Both of his parents received athletic scholarships to play basketball, and his distant cousin Emeka Okafor is a free agent center in the NBA. After losing his mother when he was nine, Okafor was raised by his father Chukwudi Okafor, who was an All-City basketball player in high school, and his aunt Chinyere Okafor-Conley, who became a mother figure for Jahlil.

To clear up any questions, I'm not a Duke fan. It just happens that one of the more interesting and dominating players in the country plays for Duke. Regardless of who you are a fan of, it's only fair to recognize when someone's great play unfolds before our eyes.

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ND VOLLEYBALL | NORTH CAROLINA 3, ND 0; NORTH CAROLINA STATE 3, ND 0

Irish suffer double losses

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame continued to struggle in ACC competition this weekend, losing at home to No. 7 North Carolina on Friday and North Carolina State on Sunday in a pair of 3-0 sweeps.

The Tar Heels currently top the ACC leaderboard with a 15-1 conference record and 24-2 record overall, but North Carolina struggled Friday in the first set, as the Irish (6-21, 3-13 ACC) came back from an 18-12 deficit to tie the match at 20 points apiece. Notre Dame fought hard to keep the game tied at 23, but dropped the first set after back-to-back kills by redshirt senior outside hitter Chaniel Nelson and junior middle blocker Paige Neuenfeldt gave the Tar Heels the victory.

North Carolina took complete control in the second set. Despite the Irish's attempt to

stay on par with the Tar Heels early on, North Carolina went out on a 4-0 run midway through the frame to give themselves a 19-13 lead and ultimately the set.

North Carolina's dominance continued in the final frame, as the Tar Heels jumped out of the gate with a 7-2 lead. They maintained control throughout the rest of the frame and kept the point margin wide to take the last set, 25-16.

Notre Dame continued to struggle in Sunday's match against North Carolina State, losing in a 3-0 sweep against the Wolfpack. The Irish could not offer any response to the Wolfpack's powerhouse offense. The Wolfpack (15-13, 4-12) amassed 53 kills throughout three frames of play, with three North Carolina State players reaching double digits.

Notre Dame held its own in each set, tying the Wolfpack at

23 in both the first and third set, while falling one point behind them in the second set, 23-22. The Irish offense was led by freshman middle blocker Sam Fry, who finished the match with 12 kills, and sophomore middle blocker Simmone Collins, who recorded 6 kills, 3 blocks and a .417 attack percentage.

In the Sunday loss, senior middle blocker Jeni Houser recorded nine kills to bring her career kill total to 1,291, moving into 10th place in Notre Dame history. She is only nine more kills away from becoming the eighth Notre Dame volleyball player to reach 1,300 career kills.

The Irish look ahead to their final match of the season when they welcome Pittsburgh to Purcell Pavilion at 4 p.m. Friday. The Panthers swept Notre Dame, 3-0, on Oct. 10 and are 10-5 in conference play with an overall record of 22-6.

ND CROSS COUNTRY | NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seidel races to top 20

By **MANUEL DE JESUS**
Sports Writer

After being among the last teams to qualify for the women's NCAA championships, Notre Dame finished in 29th place out of 31 teams Saturday, adding another All-American to its program in junior Molly Seidel at Terre Haute, Indiana.

Seidel, who has led the Irish in each race she had run in throughout the season, completed the six-kilometer race in 20:23.4. In addition to placing 19th overall, Seidel was the first ACC runner to cross the finish line. Although Seidel said she was excited to have won All-American honors, the first Irish woman to do so since 2009, she also said she knows she has potential to be even better.

"It's really amazing to step to the line at a national meet with the fastest women in the country, and then to come away from it as an All-American is just an unbelievable honor," Seidel said. "It's great to know that the enormous amount of work you put in over the summer and fall and all the sacrifices you've made really have paid off when it matters most, so I'm pretty ecstatic about how the season finished up.

"At the same time, I'm really not satisfied yet — I know that I can do better and want to keep

pushing so that I can be up with the girls at the very front of the race. I think that's what great about cross country — that you always have something bigger to strive towards no matter where you finish."

Seidel's most impressive performances this season include finishing first at the National Catholic Championships, fifth at the ACC championships and fourth at the Great Lakes regional championships. Leading the women's squad all the way to a NCAA championship appearance, Seidel said she is satisfied with the way she carried herself throughout the season.

"I'm pretty happy overall with how I finished throughout the season since I was able to keep building and getting stronger as time went on," Seidel said. "In the past two years I've had a pretty good start only to get injured and then race poorly or not at all the rest of the season, so it was really important for me to stay healthy and keep gradually improving at each race."

Seniors Emily Frydrych, Karen Lesiewicz and Katie Moran finished 122nd (21:23.1), 174th (21:43.7) and 216th (22:07.7), respectively. Junior Danielle Aragon wrapped up the top five, finishing in 226th place (22:17.9).

In terms of improving the overall team's performance for

next season, Seidel said she is confident in her team's ability to become a national championship contender.

"Cross country is such a team-oriented sport, and because of this, I think the all-American honor is more of a reflection of our team rather than me individually," Seidel said. "I run with these girls every day in practice, gotten my butt kicked more times than I can count by them too, and I know that there is so much potential for success in every one of them."

"I think from here it's not a matter of practicing harder but rather practicing smarter and mastering the mental component of racing. It's doing all the little things over time, like getting enough rest, managing small injuries and having confidence to race aggressively, that's going to take us from being a team that is 29th at nationals to one that's contending for the national title."

On the men's side of the race, junior Michael Clevenger represented Notre Dame as an individual. He finished the 10-kilometer race in 31:29.9, putting him in 92nd place.

Now that the cross country season is over, the Irish will look towards the indoor track and field season on Dec. 5 when they host the Blue and Gold meet.

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HOCKEY | ND 2, UMASS LOWELL 2

Notre Dame settles for tie after video review

By **ALEX CARSON**
Sports Writer

A controversial overturned goal was the main story of the weekend as Notre Dame and No. 5 UMass Lowell tied 2-2 Friday night at the Compton Family Ice Arena.

With the teams tied 2-2 and just more than six minutes to play, it appeared the Irish (6-6-2, 2-2-2 Hockey East) went ahead on a goal that would have been credited to senior winger Austin Wuthrich. However, after a lengthy review, the officials waved off the goal as junior center Thomas DiPauli was in the crease.

"I've never seen a ref call it that close, especially because I never touched the goalie," DiPauli said. "So that was a little bit soft, but at the same time, we kind of knew they were looking for something the whole game."

"It is what it is; you can't do anything about it, but it kind of sucks."

Rule 73.1 in the NCAA hockey rule book states that "if an attacking player enters the goal crease and, by these actions, impairs the goalkeeper's ability to defend the goal either visually or physically, and a goal is scored, the goal will be disallowed."

While DiPauli did not physically make contact with River Hawks junior goaltender Kevin

Boyle, it was ruled that he obstructed the goalie's vision while entering the goal crease. Irish coach Jeff Jackson disagreed with the call.

"[The referee] wouldn't talk to me about it," Jackson said. "I got a chance to watch it too. ... I saw a power-play goal."

The waved-off goal was not the only — or first — source of frustration for the Irish on the evening. UMass Lowell's first goal came directly following what could have been an offside call against the River Hawks.

Video replay may be used "to determine if a goal was scored as the result of an offside play"; however, the play was not reviewed, and River Hawks freshman center John Edwardh's goal stood to cut the Irish lead to 2-1 with 1:23 to play in the second period.

Jackson said he tried to get the play reviewed, but the official did not acknowledge his desire.

"[The referee] wouldn't look at me," Jackson said. "I tried to call a timeout so they could review it, but he wouldn't look at me."

Unlike in Thursday's 3-1 loss to UMass Lowell, Notre Dame struck first Friday as junior winger Mario Lucia broke a five-game scoreless streak with his ninth goal of the season.

The River Hawks botched a clearance attempt that fell straight to Lucia, who one-timed

the puck past Boyle to give the Irish a 1-0 lead just 1:52 into the game.

Notre Dame got some assistance from video replay to go 2-0 up in the game when junior winger Sam Herr deflected the puck just over the line for his fifth goal of the season.

The goal was initially waved off on the ice, but the officials later deemed that the puck did in fact fully cross the goal line. Freshman winger Jake Evans picked up an assist on the goal as did freshman defenseman Luke Ripley — the first point of his collegiate career.

UMass Lowell closed the gap to 2-1 with just 83 seconds remaining in the period when Edwardh poked home a shot that Irish sophomore goaltender Chad Katunar seemed to save. After the initial stop, the puck trickled behind Katunar, and Edwardh was in prime position to put secure the score.

The visitors leveled the score just 3:23 into the third period when sophomore center Joe Gambadella beat Katunar for his sixth goal of the season.

After neither team could find a goal in the rest of the third period, the two teams headed for a five-minute, five-on-five, sudden-death overtime period. In the final seconds, the Irish nearly gave the game away.

A turnover in the attacking



CAITLYN JORDAN | The Observer

Irish junior winger Sam Herr shields the puck during Notre Dame's 5-3 win over Lake Superior State on Oct. 17.

zone sent Gambardello off on a breakaway with a chance to bag his second goal of the game and the win for the River Hawks, but Katunar came away victorious in the one-on-one battle, saving Gambardello's shot with his left toe in the game's final 10 seconds.

"You want to back your teammates up, you know, my guys played their [butts] off tonight," Katunar said. "An unlucky play like that at the end? I don't want that to determine the outcome of the game."

The sophomore goaltender finished with 32 saves on the

night.

"[Katunar] played extremely well," Jackson said. "You don't shut a top power play in the country without great goaltending."

Notre Dame is back in action this weekend as the Irish host the Shillelagh Tournament at Compton Family Ice Arena. Friday's first-round game will pit the Irish against No. 15 Union, the defending national champion. The puck is scheduled to drop at 7:35 p.m.

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Belles claim first win of season

Observer Staff Report

Saint Mary's stifled Trinity's offense Saturday to claim its first victory of the season, 79-36, at the Chicago Marriott Naperville Tip-Off Tournament.

The Belles (1-3) quickly took a ten-point lead over the Trojans (0-8), establishing their presence in the paint early with points from senior forward Ariana Paul and freshman forward Gabby Diamond.

Saint Mary's did not relinquish this early lead for the remainder of the game. The Trojans did not establish a shooting presence throughout the game, particularly in the first half, when they converted only three field goals in 32 attempts. The Belles, on the other hand, made 36 percent of their first-half field goals.

The Belles also performed well at the foul line in the first half, making eight of 10. The Trojans went to the free throw line only five times and converted three. Several scoring runs for the Belles gave them a 32-11 lead at the conclusion of the first frame of play.

Foul trouble continued to be a problem for the Trojans in the second half. The Belles scored thirteen

more points from the line to bring their total free throw percentage to 75 percent on the evening. The Trojans totaled 26 total personal fouls compared to 16 for the Belles, allowing Saint Mary's to compensate for the scoring of Trinity sophomore guard Ariel Miree, who paced the Trojans with 16 points on the night.

The Belles pulled away with a 16-4 run midway through the second half, giving them a 30-point cushion.

The Belles also out-rebounded Trinity by a 69-35 margin. Three Belles — Paul and junior forwards Krista Knapke and Elani Shea — ended the game with more than 10 rebounds, earning each of them a double-double. Diamond and junior guard Sarah Macius also scored in double digits for the Belles.

Saint Mary's concluded its participation in the tournament with one win and one loss. Paul's efforts earned her a place on the all-tournament team.

The Belles continue their road swing with a trip to Anderson, Indiana, where they will face the Anderson Ravens (1-1) at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

W Basketball

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"I love it," Loyd said of Johnson's game. "Everyone on the bench was going nuts and encouraging her, and we were telling her, 'Keep shooting, keep playing defense.' Everyone who comes off the bench is ready, and we love it. We loving cheering them on. I'm their biggest cheerleader for sure, and it's great to see."

Though the Irish held a slim rebounding advantage at the half, with 15 to Chattanooga's 11, they controlled the boards in the second half to put together a final 40-25 margin.

"We finally started rebounding, and I think that's what changed the game," McGraw said. "... We finally hit the boards, and Mychal came in and hit some 3s, and that was pretty much the game."

Against Holy Cross, on the other hand, the Irish set the tone right away when freshman forward Brianna Turner easily won the tipoff to pave the way for a quick layup by Loyd, who finished with 17 points, six rebounds and five assists. Those two points turned into a double-digit lead in less than 13 minutes of play.

"I was pleased with the game," McGraw said. "I thought there were a lot of good individual performances but I thought we really shared the ball well today and shot a little bit better from the perimeter. Defensively, I thought we did a lot of good things. We were able to get some traps, get some steals, and our transition game was in high gear."

When junior guard Michaela Mabrey started hitting 3-pointers, Holy Cross was forced to abandon

its zone defense game plan, which allowed Notre Dame to run over the Crusaders in the paint.

In particular, Holy Cross had no answer for sophomore forward Taya Reimer or Turner, who took charge on the inside both offensively and defensively. Reimer recorded eight points, four blocks and 10 rebounds, while Turner ended the game with 19 points and seven rebounds, though she played only 17 minutes.

"I'm particularly pleased with what Brianna did in just 17 minutes," Irish head coach Muffet McGraw said. "She's an amazing defender when she can get out on the perimeter and get some steals. We were hoping for a dunk, but we didn't get one of those tonight, so we'll have to keep waiting."

The score was 46-16 at the end of the first half, and the Irish did not let up as they began the second stanza with 21 unanswered points.

Before long, most of the starters were sitting, but the Irish reserves continued to widen the gap. Freshman forward Kathryn Westbeld added 15 points to lead all reserves.

"I really like what the bench is doing right now," McGraw said. "Everyone that comes in the game is doing exactly what we want them to do. ... I think we've got 10 people [we're comfortable with] right now and all of them are really contributing."

Notre Dame continues the Hall of Fame tournament Monday with a game against Harvard in Purcell Pavilion at 6 p.m.

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coach Mike Brey said in an interview with UND.com. "But you know, when you're playing on the road, a lot of times you don't get that call."

Henton's end-of-game block closed out a frenetic second half that featured several lead changes. Notre Dame, which trailed by four at the start of the half, took a 66-58 lead with 5:22 left in the game, but the Irish saw that lead evaporate less than two minutes later. The teams traded leads over the next few minutes, but Providence went ahead with Henton's 38th point of the game, his career-high.

Henton made 14 of his 19 field-goal attempts, include four of eight 3-pointers.

"Henton was fabulous," Brey said. "We had a hard time dealing with him, and we tried a couple different guys on him. We doubled him a couple of times, but he made every big shot."

All five Notre Dame starters finished the game in double figures. Grant led the Irish in scoring with 20 points, while Connaughton scored 13 points and snatched 11 rebounds for

the double-double. Junior forward Zach Auguste finished with 15 points and sophomore guards Steve Vasturia and Demetrius Jackson totaled 11 points apiece.

"... I love our group," Brey said. "There's a lot to work with here, and I love our character and toughness."

Brey said he was particularly impressed with the efforts of Grant, who scored 16 points in the second half.

"Jerian made unbelievable plays to make us believe," he said. "... It's great to have him back because he's one of the great closers in the game."

The Irish bested the Minutemen (4-1) on Saturday afternoon behind a 33-9 run to end the first half and start the second. Massachusetts jumped out to early leads of 19-9 and 24-15 before Notre Dame's defense clamped down to limit it to only two field goals in the final eight minutes of the first half.

Grant led the team in scoring with 24 points on 10-of-13 field goals from the field while also dishing out a team-high eight assists. Connaughton chipped in 18 points while going 4-for-7 from behind the 3-point arc. Jackson and Auguste also registered double figures for the

Irish, with 16 and 11 points respectively. Auguste recorded his first double-double of the season as he also pulled down a team-high 10 rebounds.

The Irish forced the Minutemen into 18 turnovers on the night. Jackson led the team with five steals while sophomore guard Steve Vasturia had four swipes of his own. However, the Irish also turned the ball over 17 times, well above their 8.3 turnovers per game average coming in to the game. Connaughton turned the ball over seven times after only turning the ball over twice combined in Notre Dame's first three games.

The Irish turned those 18 takeaways into 23 points whereas the Minutemen managed only 17 points off Irish turnovers.

Notre Dame out-rebounded Massachusetts, 31-28, but gave up eight offensive rebounds, leading to eight Massachusetts second-chance points.

Notre Dame will return to action Wednesday night when the Irish host Grambling State at Purcell Pavilion at 7 p.m.

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W Soccer

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absolutely shut down one of the better teams I've seen all year. The defense was also fantastic and the forwards created a lot of opportunities ..."

The Irish finally broke through to tie the game in the 72nd minute when freshman defender Sabrina Flores sent a corner kick into the penalty area, where the ball found freshman forward Karin Muya, who poked it by senior goalkeeper Jordan Day.

Muya's goal marked her fourth of the season and second in the past two games. She also added an assist in Notre Dame's 2-1 second round win over Texas on Friday.

"[Karin's] always dangerous on the ball," Romagnolo said. "She can score. She can get an assist. She's a very exciting player."

Texas A&M entered the match with the nation's 11th best scoring offense (2.57) and average over 20 shots per game, but the Irish limited the Aggies to below their season average with just 12 shots, six of which were on goal. Still, letting up multiple scores in a contest was something the Irish could not afford to do, Romagnolo said.

"You just can't allow two goals at this stage of the tournament,"

Romagnolo said. "Defensively, you have to be better. ... You can't allow two goals and expect to win a Sweet 16 matchup, and certainly beyond that as well."

Texas A&M came out aggressively from the opening whistle, recording three shots in just over five minutes while Notre Dame stayed back on defense. Then, in the seventh minute, Monogue took a corner kick that curled towards the net, deflected off a Notre Dame defender and got by sophomore goalkeeper Kaela Little to stake the Aggies to an early lead.

"The first goal was definitely savable," Romagnolo said. "But if people are going to make mistakes, then the rest of the team needs to respond to that."

Texas A&M took the lead for good in the 82nd minute when a poor clear from the Notre Dame defense squirted loose at the top of the 18-yard box. Monogue grabbed the turnover and beat Little with a right-footed blast.

"The second goal was a bad clearing decision," Romagnolo said. "We didn't take care of the ball so two poor goals allowed."

The loss, Notre Dame's first true road loss of the season, knocks the Irish out of the NCAA championship and ends their season.

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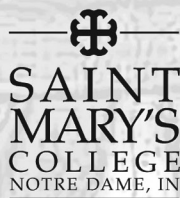
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WOMEN'S INTERHALL | PANGBORN 18, WELSH FAMILY 7

Pangborn upsets Welsh Family behind Gargan

By DANIEL O'BOYLE
Sports Writer

No. 3 Pangborn upset No. 1 Welsh Family, 18-7, to take home the women's interhall championship at Notre Dame Stadium on Sunday.

The game came down to the final minute with a goal-line stand by the Phoxes (8-1) ending the Whirlwinds' hopes of completing a perfect season before Pangborn added another score as time expired.

Phoxes senior quarterback Caitlin Gargan had three total touchdowns on the day, making her responsible for all 12 of her team's scores this post-season. However, she said she owed much of her success to her teammates.

"I've been able to find a lot of success because my team is so strong around me," Gargan said. "I've definitely had a lot of help on the outside."

Gargan added that the Phoxes' preparation was the reason why they were able to claim the championship.

"Today, I think we came out and ran our plays really well," Gargan said. "Everybody knew their job and executed their role on our offense today. We

practiced a few times this week and that really helped."

The Whirlwinds entered the game 8-0 on the season. On the game's first drive, sophomore quarterback Rachel Wimsatt connected with senior receiver Mary Knapp for a touchdown after only three plays. Sophomore receiver Ariel Navotas made a fingertip catch on a low pass for the one-point conversion.

Pangborn, however, was quick to reply. After completing a fourth-down pass and making a 31-yard run earlier in the drive, Gargan threw a screen to junior running back Katherine McManus, who scored from 12 yards out. An unsuccessful point-after try made it 7-6.

Conditions soon made the game difficult for both offenses as heavy rain fell and neither team found the end zone during the remainder of the half.

The rain eased in the second half, and the Phoxes took advantage. Gargan found sophomore receiver Anne Arnason on three consecutive plays to set up a first-and-goal at the eight. From there, she escaped heavy pressure and ran for a

touchdown to give her team a 12-7 lead.

With the league's top two scoring defenses on display, neither offense created an extended drive for the rest of the half until the Whirlwinds found some momentum late in the game as the heavy rain returned.

Wimsatt led Welsh Family down the field, and an interference penalty against Pangborn extended the drive on fourth-and-five. After a series of runs, the Whirlwinds were faced with another fourth down, this time needing a touchdown from three yards out. Wimsatt's pass into the end zone was tipped and almost landed in the hands of a receiver, but ended up incomplete. She gave credit to Pangborn's defense for the offense's inability to convert.

"They put good pressure on me, so I had to scramble, and they had our receivers covered," Wimsatt said. "It was an incredible defensive play by them."

On the game's final possession, Gargan had the option to kneel, but chose instead to run and made it 71 yards down the sideline to the end zone as the



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Pangborn senior quarterback Caitlin Gargan eludes a Welsh Family defender during the Phoxes' 18-7 win Sunday at Notre Dame Stadium.

clock hit zero.

"I think everybody thought I was just going to kneel, but once I was outside with my flags still on I just went for it," said Gargan. "I don't know if they were too happy about that, but it was great to seal the win and bring it home."

Wimsatt said just playing in the championship game at Notre Dame Stadium was a

great achievement for Welsh Family.

"It was incredible playing in the Stadium," Wimsatt said. "We had a great turnout this year also. I feel like the Stadium really legitimizes the flag football program here at Notre Dame."

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MEN'S INTERHALL | MORRISSEY 3, KEENAN 0

Manor claim first title in eight years over Keenan

By HUNTER McDANIEL
Sports Writer

In an old-school defensive struggle, Morrissey completed its perfect season by knocking off Keenan in the interhall championship game with a 3-0 victory Sunday at Notre Dame Stadium.

The game-winning points came early in the second quarter from the foot of Morrissey (7-0) junior Ryan Lindquist, who launched a 45-yard field goal through the uprights to give the Manor the only score of the

game.

"We kind of know my range is around that, and I mean it's the championship game," Lindquist, also the quarterback for the Manor offense, said. "We figured if we could put some points up, we knew our defense could hold them, so just grab that lead and never look back."

Forced to play under unrelenting rain, the game was a defensive struggle, and both teams combined to enter the red zone just once.

On the only scoring drive of

the entire game, Morrissey drove the ball to the nine-yard line, but Keenan (5-1-1) was able to push them back to the 28 by fourth down. Unfortunately for the Knights, however, this was not enough to push Lindquist out of field goal range, and he converted on what would turn out to be the deciding factor in the championship game.

Though the game turned out to be a low-scoring affair, it was not without drama or excitement. Sophomore defensive lineman Nicholas Haydel affected the

game on a number of occasions and recorded sacks on Keenan's opening possession and late in the fourth quarter.

Keenan junior quarterback Aaron DiGenova was intercepted three times over the course of the game — by defensive backs freshman Declan Zidar, sophomore Nicholas Sywyj and senior James McEntee.

The Knights showed promise on several drives, moving the ball efficiently and attacking Morrissey's secondary. Early in the second half, DiGenova found sophomore receiver Michael Koller on a fourth-down play to keep the drive alive, then followed that up with a completion to freshman receiver Gregory Brainard to push the ball deep into Manor territory.

The drive came to halt when Sywyj came down with his interception on a long fourth-and-15 pass play.

As the game entered the fourth quarter, Morrissey aimed to run out the clock as junior running back Hunter White touched the ball on nearly every snap down the stretch.

The Manor relied on their strong defense to keep the Knights off the scoreboard, the first time any opponent shut out Keenan all season. The strategy worked, and Morrissey celebrated their first interhall championship in eight seasons.

Keenan junior captain and middle linebacker Jon Wiese has already shifted his focus toward redemption next season.

"We have to focus a little more on our offense," Wiese said. "I think we showed that our defense is far and away the best in the entire league. It was a game of inches today, and they won it out. I think these are two teams, if we play ten times, I think each one wins five. We're losing some good talent in our senior class, but our freshmen are going to continue to grow. We're getting some guys back from abroad next year, and we're hoping we're going to have a strong freshmen class as well. I can tell you that this team is hungrier than ever to win next year."

Morrissey junior running back and captain Erik Rayno said the title means a great deal to his squad.

"[The championship] means a ton to all of us," Rayno said. "I say it all the time, we've had the talent. It was really nice just to see it come to fruition. Everybody put it all together. You know, this team has been playing for four years, and I couldn't think of a better way to send them off before graduation. I couldn't be happier. It's been an eight-year drought, so I'm really proud of everybody."

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A Keenan running back cuts upfield during the Knights' 3-0 loss to Morrissey on Sunday in Notre Dame Stadium. Both the Knights and the Manor were forced to run often due to heavy rain.

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the intended target.

"By the time we finished our warm-up, the pitch was just waterlogged," Gallagher said. "It turned into a kick-and-run game just because we can't play those short passes with the puddles."

"It was not ideal conditions for the way we play," Irish graduate student goalkeeper Patrick Wall said. "Luckily our grounds crew did a very good job. They got the field in the best position it could have been in."

Buckeyes (9-8-5) junior midfielder Zach Mason, who played hero for Ohio State (9-8-5) in the 15-round shoot-out victory in the first round against Akron, had a chance to put the Buckeyes up in the 10th minute, but Wall made a diving save to his right to keep the match scoreless. Wall finished with five saves on the night.

"Our style of play is short, and we try to play through teams, but it was kind of hard to do that," Wall said. "We were kind of sticking to our guns and being a little bit stubborn, and then in the second half, we stepped out and clipped some balls farther down, and it worked better for us."

In the 29th minute, Irish senior forward Vince Cicciarelli, returning to the lineup for the first time since Nov. 1 against Pittsburgh, was brought down inside the penalty box by Buckeyes junior defender Kyle Culbertson. Culbertson was shown a yellow card on the play, and sophomore defender Brandon Aubrey buried the penalty shot inches inside the right post to put the Irish up 1-0.

"That was [the players'] decision," Irish coach Bobby Clark said of Aubrey's taking the shot. "I always just let them — whoever is feeling good at it take it."

The lead lasted all of four minutes. Ohio State sophomore forward Danny Jensen slammed home a loose ball off a corner kick in the 33rd minute to tie the game at 1-1. Wall made a save on a free kick just prior to the goal but was unable to keep the clean sheet.

The Buckeyes almost took the lead shortly before halftime when Jensen appeared to redirect a free kick past Wall. However, the referee ruled Jensen had intentionally deflected the ball with his hand, canceling the goal and earning Jensen a yellow card.

"I was disappointed that we took too long to adapt," Clark said. "It took us until we came in at halftime and said, 'Look, we've got to change this a little bit.' And it's maybe not the way we would want to play all the time, but I always say to the boys that the game is going to give you things. ... You've got to recognize how you should play."

The action slowed after halftime before Gallagher's third goal of the year came on the first Irish chance of the half. Notre Dame missed extending its lead twice in the minutes following the freshman's goal when junior midfielder Patrick Hodan's drive slid inches past the left post.

"We had a little chance with Patrick Hodan," Clark said. "It just slipped past the post. If that goes in, you can cruise home. You can light up your cigar. But that didn't happen, so we were camped, playing right to the very end."

Ohio State pushed its offense forward as the time ran down but was unable to generate a dangerous scoring chance. The Buckeyes finished with a 12-10 shot advantage and 6-5 in shots on goal.

"It's quite good to learn to play like that because if you think of last week, we were playing to the end against Clemson," Clark said. "We were holding a lead, and then we lost that lead with under two minutes to go."

With the win, Notre Dame advances to play a familiar foe in the third round. The Irish will host ACC rival No. 16 Virginia for the third time this season. The two teams tied 1-1 Sept. 21 in Charlottesville, but it was Notre Dame who clinched the 3-0 victory in the quarterfinals of the ACC tournament on Nov. 9.

The round of 16 match will kick off Sunday at Alumni Stadium at 7 p.m.

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provided him with several important skills that have prepared him for MLS.

"Another thing for me was leadership," Shipp said. "Not just ... yelling-at-people leadership, but knowing how to do the little things every day to make people respect you and kind of how to earn people's respect, and Bobby kind of forces you to do that."

"And also we do a good job of responding to negative things that might happen. We're calm whether or not things at Notre Dame were going well. ... Once you get to the professional game, the highs are higher, and the lows are lower, so the more you're able to stay calm and not worry about things when things aren't going the best, that's going to lead to success."

The ups and downs of year one

When Shipp came to the Fire from Notre Dame, he was used to playing in the center of the field. However, with the Fire, Shipp was deployed in a wide midfield role for long stretches of time by Fire coach Frank Yallop.

"You're dealing with a lot more athletes out wide," Shipp said. "Defensively, it's tough — you're more isolated so, you know, there's more pressure on you to take responsibility defensively, and attacking-wise, I think sometimes you're kind of forced to things that you wouldn't normally do centrally in terms of having to overlap players, kind of

create more space."

Perhaps the brightest spot of Shipp's first season came when he netted a hat trick against the New York Red Bulls on May 10. But Shipp said it was not a clear-cut top moment.

"The hat-trick game was obviously special," Shipp said. "But I think, not even in the regular season, just playing that first pre-season game and getting a goal and having the first time in an actual scrimmage playing with the guys that I was going to play with for the rest of the year [was just as special]."

After a blazing start, however, Shipp did not record a goal or an assist from mid-July to mid-September, a run that saw him dropped from the starting lineup.

"I think my body got worn down a little bit physically, and when that happens, you kind of break down mentally," Shipp said. "But I went into the season knowing there would be ups and down and that it wouldn't be perfect. ... There were a couple of weeks where I wasn't playing my best soccer, but I thought I responded in the last month or two of the season"

Being Chicago's first homegrown star

When Shipp signed for the Fire in January, he started the process of becoming one of Major League Soccer's first homegrown stars. As Shipp played with the Fire's youth teams earlier in his career, he was eligible to forego the MLS Superdraft and sign for his hometown team. The Lake

Forest, Illinois, native said he cherishes playing for the team he grew up rooting for.

"It's definitely special," Shipp said. "I remember going to games with my sisters and parents when I was younger, and my club coaches growing up were ex-Fire players. ... It's kind of crazy now that there's guys on our team that I've been watching for eight, 10 years, and it's kind of weird to be playing on the same field as them."

Shipp said that playing in Chicago keeps him from feeling too much pressure.

"I was so familiar with the city and the people there that it took the pressure away from actual soccer practice and even soccer every day because I had a life outside of soccer," Shipp said. "So for me, I enjoy that because it lets me just stay relaxed and not put so much pressure on myself when I am playing."

And as for what Shipp thinks of his prospects of playing for the national team someday?

"Obviously, that should be every American soccer player's dream if they're playing professional soccer ... but it's not something I think about on a daily basis," Shipp said. "It's one of those things that'll be the next step in my career when I hit that path. I'm not ready right now, but hopefully in the next few years I'll keep improving and growing as a player, and one day, I will be ready, and hopefully then, stars align to make it work out."

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MEN'S SOCCER | ND 2, OHIO STATE 1

Notre Dame tops Ohio State, advances to third round

By ZACH KLONSINSKI
Sports Writer

A steady rain failed to dampen Notre Dame's outcome in Sunday's NCAA championship second-round contest, as a Jon Gallagher goal in the 69th minute lifted the Irish, 2-1, over Ohio State at a soggy Alumni Stadium.

The freshman forward made good use of the first Irish chance in the second half. Fellow freshman forward Jeffrey Farina played a through ball just inside the Buckeye penalty box, and Gallagher sped by the Ohio State defender to give No. 1 Notre Dame (12-4-4) the lead on a shot into the bottom left corner.

"[Farina] did what he does best, just flicked it around the corner," Gallagher said. "I just ran on and saw the corner of the goal and scored."

Wet conditions affected



KEVIN SABITUS | The Observer

Irish sophomore defender Brandon Aubrey lines up a penalty kick during Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Ohio State on Sunday night.

the game's flow from the beginning. The grounds crew tried to fill in puddles forming on the pitch before team introductions, but as the game wore on each bounce

of the ball or plant of a foot caused a large splash. Players overran their own dribbles, and passes died en route to

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WAKING THE ECHOES | HARRISON SHIPP

Shipp conquers new challenges

By ALEX CARSON
Sports Writer

Harrison Shipp won a national championship last year in his senior season at Notre Dame. This spring, he became the first homegrown player to appear for the Chicago Fire. Today, he might be named Major League Soccer's Rookie of the Year.

"[Winning the award] would kind of validate the hard work I put in," Shipp, a midfielder for the Fire, said. "Not just this year but kind of since I got to Notre Dame and just continually growing and improving as a player. ... But, you know, it's not the end-all, be-all—win or not, you've still gotta grow as a player, and it's gonna be more important where I am five years down the road than winning this award."

Shipp is also up for the Xbox Individual Fair Play award, given to a player that exhibits sportsmanlike behavior.

"To be honest, I didn't even

know it was an award," Shipp said. "I was not consciously trying to win the Fair Play award, but it would be funny if it happened."

Preparation for the pros

Shipp is up against FC Dallas forward Tesho Akindele and D.C. United defender Steven Birnbaum for Rookie of the Year honors. If he were to win, it would mark the second straight year Notre Dame produced the MLS Rookie of the Year. Colorado Rapids midfielder Dillon Powers took home the honor in 2013.

"I think [Irish coach Bobby Clark] really more so than most college coaches, he makes you think about the game," Shipp said. "In turn, it makes players really mature soccer players and ready to play their first year, I think. They've been forced to think so much about the game their four years here."

Shipp said the Irish program

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | ND 81, MASS. 68; PROV. 75, ND 74

Squad splits weekend on road



EMMET FARNAN | The Observer

Irish freshman guard Matt Farrell surveys the court during Notre Dame's 104-67 win over Coppin State on Nov. 19.

By BRIAN HARTNETT and
ZACH KLONSINSKI
Managing Editor and Sports Writer

Notre Dame took to the road for the first time this season over the weekend, splitting a pair of games with Massachusetts and former Big East rival Providence in the Hall of Fame Tipoff Tournament at the Mohegan Sun Arena in Uncasville, Connecticut.

The Irish (4-1) beat Massachusetts, 81-68, on Saturday, but fell to Providence, 75-74, on Sunday in a game that came down to the final

possession.

Notre Dame trailed the Friars (5-0) by one point after Providence senior forward LaDontae Henton sunk two free throws with 14.8 seconds left. Irish senior guard Jerian Grant went for a layup, but was blocked by Providence freshman forward Ben Bentil. On the ensuing throw-in, senior guard/forward Pat Connaughton had a look at the rim, but Henton tipped his attempt as time expired.

"I thought maybe [Jerian] got bumped a little bit," Irish head

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER | TEXAS A&M 2, ND 1

Irish knocked out of NCAAs

By GREG HADLEY
Associate Sports Editor

Entering the final 10 minutes of regulation in the third round of the NCAA tournament, the fourth-seeded Irish were dominating almost every facet of play and seemed prepared to enter overtime tied, 1-1, against top-seeded Texas A&M on Sunday.

However, one poor clear by the Irish was all it took for the Aggies to pounce, break the tie and abruptly end Notre Dame's season, 2-1, in College Station,

Texas.

"I was very proud of the effort," Irish coach Theresa Romagnolo said. "I thought it was the best game we played all year. It was unfortunate that we weren't able to score goals and the other team was the one to put two in, but overall I thought we were the better team, which in some ways makes it sting more."

Texas A&M senior midfielder Kelley Monogue accounted for both Aggie goals, bookending the game in the seventh and 82nd minutes on unassisted

attempts.

In the 70 minutes between those goals, Notre Dame held the advantage in shots, shots on goal and corner kicks, while dominating possession in the midfield to push the Aggies defense to the limit.

"The midfield was the best I'd seen it all year," Romagnolo said. "They dominated. They won everything in the air. They won every 50-50 ball. They came away with the possession. They

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | ND 88, CHATTANOOGA 53; ND 104, HOLY CROSS 29

ND overwhelms opponents

By MARY GREEN and
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Notre Dame dominated in all phases of the game in a pair of weekend wins, blowing out Chattanooga, 88-53, on Friday and Holy Cross, 104-29, on Sunday.

The victory over the Knights was the fifth biggest margin of victory in program history and marked the first round of the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame Challenge.

The Mocs (2-2), on the other hand, kept it close with the Irish

(4-0) through the opening minutes, holding a lead until almost nine minutes into the first half.

At that point, Irish sophomore guard Lindsay Allen sprinted downcourt after a missed Chattanooga 3-point shot and weaved through Moc defenders to notch a layup at the other end.

Notre Dame took the 17-16 lead, went on a 29-5 run to close the half and never looked back.

"A little sluggish at the start—I couldn't figure out why that was happening, but we worked it out," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said.

Junior guard Jewell Loyd paced

the Irish with 20 points, but it was the game of freshman guard Mychal Johnson that fired up the crowd at Purcell Pavilion.

Johnson hit five 3-pointers in six attempts, collecting 17 points off the bench.

Shortly after Allen made her layup to give Notre Dame the lead, Johnson blocked a Chattanooga 3-pointer and then hit her own shot behind the arc at the other end off an assist from Allen, sending the Irish bench and fans into a frenzy.

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