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Student Affairs prepares for new leadership

Poorman reflects on term, expresses gratitude for opportunity to serve

By MADELINE BUCKLEY
News Writer

In an administrative position that requires communicating with trustees, University officers, faculty, alumni and students, Vice President for Student Affairs Fr. Mark Poorman said the core of his job is looking out for the individual student's experience.

"Sometimes you never know when you get up in the morning how your day is going to unfold because with 11,400 students, there are a lot of

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Current Vice President for Student Affairs Fr. Mark Poorman speaks at a Men Against Violence event in the spring of 2008.

Doyle 'humbled' and 'excited' to return to campus, take over as VP for Student Affairs

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Editor

When Fr. Thomas Doyle was a student at Notre Dame, he didn't think he was going to pass Calculus — let alone return to campus some day to be the vice president for Student Affairs.

"To think that it's 25 years later, I'm back on campus and I'm on the same spiritual journey with others that I began in 1985, I'm just anxious to continue that journey," Doyle said. "There is just a great privilege and opportunity to be back ... to try to shape and impact something that had such a profound role in my own life."

Doyle said he does not plan

to make massive changes when he takes over the position, but instead has three simple goals for his new job.

"I hope [to be] a good student, a good and effective teacher and a good priest," he said.



Doyle

Doyle, who graduated from Notre Dame and was later ordained in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart in 1998, said his experiences at the

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Fall Forum to bring Friedman to campus

By AARON STEINER
Senior Staff Writer

After a year's hiatus, the Notre Dame Forum will return to campus this fall, focused on the economy, human development and the role of ethics in rebuilding the global marketplace, the University announced Monday.

Prominent New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman has been confirmed as one of the guest speakers.



Friedman

The 2010 Forum is titled "The Global Marketplace and the Common Good" and is scheduled for Nov. 3. According to a press release, the Forum will examine "the inherent demand for an essential moral framework in the quest for human development."

University President Fr. John Jenkins said in a statement that the Forum comes after the world was "shaken" by the current economic crisis.

Jenkins said the Forum will

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New landlord enters off-campus housing market

By AMANDA GRAY AND
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News Writers

When sophomore Meghan Donoghue decided to live off campus her senior year, she worked with Kramer Properties, a local retail company. A few weeks after signing her lease, however, she found out via e-mail that a different company would be managing her house.

"We signed for our house with Kramer, paid the first

and last month's rent and the security deposit and about two weeks later received an e-mail that Kramer was no longer our landlord," Donoghue said. "I know a lot of people who had signed with Kramer were really confused or upset when they heard about the switch."

Campus Apartments, a national retail management company, recently took over a portion of Kramer Properties.

Mark Kramer, owner of

Kramer Properties, said he sold 56 homes and Notre Dame Apartments in February 2008 to Gross and Cohen Real Estate Investors.

Gross and Cohen decided to have Campus Apartments, a national chain managing off-campus housing at schools across the U.S., manage the homes and apartments for them, president Michael Cohen said.

This is the first time the company has worked with Campus Apartments, but "they have great, national

quality," Cohen said.

For students who have not yet signed a lease, the management change could work to their advantage.

Rent for the homes now managed under Campus Apartments is lower than when they were managed under Kramer. Cohen said the lowering of the rent was a joint decision between Gross and Cohen investors and Campus Apartments.

"There were not many

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Community reacts to hunger strike

By TONY RIVERA
News Writer

With the conclusion of a week-long, student-led hunger strike against the University's involvement with HEI Hotels, the administration affirmed that, after carefully looking into the alleged poor treatment of the company's workers, it found no support for the claims and its position had not changed.

The student protestors likewise said their position had not changed.

The hunger strike began last Monday when students gathered in front of the Main Building wearing orange jumpsuits and



Students sat outside the Main Building last week to protest the University's investment in HEI Hotels, and 13 students engaged in a week-long hunger strike.

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INSIDE COLUMN

I don't want to grow up!

Remember when you could spend the whole day outside playing in the mud, just rolling around having fun with your friends? That is until your mom or dad came out and saw how dirty you had become. Then you were unfortunately subject to the most intense cleaning of your life, generally from the harsh spray of a garden hose, but it was still worth it.

As my friend Sheila and I penguin-slid and tackled my friends into the muddy volleyball courts behind St. Mary's Lake this Sunday at Muddy Sunday, we realized that we were getting that chance again. At age 20, we were able to once again be kids, reliving our days as eight-year-old tomboys. Furthermore, it was a great way to blow off steam before we had to buckle down and get down to business before the beginning of finals.

Although I have loved growing up, I really miss the simplicity of my childhood years. I miss the mudpies and the mudfights. I miss the friendly competitions against the kids in my neighborhood.

It's by hearkening back to these ideals that make the best dorm or university events. As much fun as it is to jump around in a bouncy house for a few minutes, it's these simple, seemingly foolish events that bring out hordes of students.

It's why Bookstore Basketball, Muddy Sunday and the Chariot Race are such popular events and have droves of students registering. It's why I think the Farley Fiasco will become a hit.

Bookstore Basketball brings back those days in elementary school when recess in the spring meant scrambling for the basketball or soccer balls. There were so many pickup games going on that spillovers onto the court or field next to you was inevitable.

The Chariot Race reminds me of racing bikes down the street, or Razor scooters when they got popular, hoping to beat out all the boys, swerving around angry motorists. It was just you against them, pumping your legs furiously, aiming to finally beat them and win all the pride that went along with that victory.

Farley Fiasco is similar to this idea; it's a seemingly childish competition in which we all love to participate. Not only that, but it involves bobsledding, one of those sports that you've always wanted to try, especially after watching "Cool Runnings" on every long car ride you've ever taken.

These events are amusing and diverting, bringing joy to students even though there are still parental figures who lecture them about how muddy they have become. I hope that these events will continue for a long time to come. Maybe AnTostal, too, will begin to include them, if it goes back to its roots as a way for students to blow off steam before finals. Childish games and competitions are the best way to do that.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: HEALTH CARE IS...



Andi Rascon

freshman
Welsh Fam

"Something that the Canadian prime minister thinks doesn't work."



Chris DiBernardo

freshman
Morrissey

"Necessary."



Jon Schommer

freshman
Knott

"Caring about health."



Matthew Kudija

freshman
Siegfried

"Healthy."



Sean McPherson

freshman
Dillon

"Another Al Gore invention."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com



SARAH O'CONNOR/The Observer

T-shirts hang on clotheslines on South Quad Monday as part of The Clothesline Project, a program to address the issue of violence against women.

OFFBEAT

Illinois firefighters rescue dog from recliner chair

NAPERVILLE, Ill. — Three suburban Chicago firefighters rescued a small dog that became trapped inside a mechanized recliner chair by sawing the piece of furniture apart.

Eighty-seven-year-old owner Ken Makris says his terrier, Ebonyser, has nerve damage following his Thursday night ordeal but that he is "coming along fine."

Firefighters who responded to an emergency call from the Sunrise of Naperville assisted living

center Thursday arrived to find a nurse's aide hanging onto the chair to relieve the pressure on the dog and allow it to breathe. Firefighter and paramedic Scott Bolda says the chair's electrical controls stopped working when Ebonyser become wedged inside.

Connecticut woman tries to use 911 as a taxi service

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Police in one Connecticut city have a warning for nightclub patrons: Don't call 911 for a ride home.

New Haven police say that's what 28-year-old Quandria (KWAN'-dree-ah)

Bailey did, calling the emergency line six times to request a ride from a nightclub back to her Meriden home.

Bailey was charged with six counts of misuse of the 911 system early Sunday. She was released on a \$1,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in court May 5.

A telephone number for Bailey could not immediately be located Sunday and it was unclear whether she had an attorney.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

An exhibition titled "All Art is Propaganda" will be on display today from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The exhibit will be held in Hesburgh Library's Special Collection Room 102. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

The Kellogg Institute will be sponsoring a lecture titled "Imaginary Communities: Indians and Campesinos in Mexican Social Thought." The lecture will be held today at 12:30 p.m. in Hesburgh Center Room C-103.

The American Red Cross and Notre Dame's Army ROTC will be sponsoring a blood drive. The event will take place today from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. and will be held in the LaFortune Student Center Ballroom.

The College of Engineering will be presenting a seminar titled "Multiscale Modeling of Fracture in Metals" today at 3:30 p.m. The event will take place in DeBartolo Hall Room 138.

The Notre Dame baseball team will face Toledo tonight at 6:05 p.m. The game will be played in Frank Eck Stadium. Adult tickets are \$5.

The Notre Dame Jazz Bands and New Orleans Brass Band will be performing in concert tonight at 7 p.m. The performance will be held in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Admission is free but tickets must be reserved.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu

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College Democrats named top club

By KRISTEN DURBIN
News Writer

When the leaders of Notre Dame's 334 student clubs were notified about the nomination process for the Club of the Year award, the officers of the College Democrats of Notre Dame knew they had a legitimate chance at receiving the honor.

"We listed all our accomplishments throughout the year, and we knew we would be competitive for the award given the consistency of club events and the number of students getting involved," junior Chris Rhodenbaugh, co-president of College Democrats for 2009-10, said.

Rhodenbaugh attributed the club's recognition to the consistency of club activity, including the weekly efforts of students working on health care reform, energy issues and various foreign policy matters.

Senior Henry Vasquez, co-president of College Democrats, said the club's success has been a result of its strong ties to students and other campus organizations.

"The success of the club is inextricably tied to the vision of the College Democrats — to become a nexus for the progressive community at Notre Dame," Vasquez said. "I imagine that we benefited from the nomination process because of our strong relationships with so many students and organizations who were able to express their support for our club."

The club, which regularly attracts 25 to 40 members at weekly meetings, has achieved several substantial

goals throughout the year, including helping secure 2nd district Rep. Joe Donnelly's and Sen. Evan Bayh's, both Indiana democrats, votes for the national health care reform bill.

"We made over 6,000 calls for health care reform this year," Rhodenbaugh said. "We also wrote a letter to Congressman Donnelly and issued a press release explaining our commitment to working for candidates who vote for health care reform."

Rhodenbaugh also said the press release emphasized that the club holds its leaders accountable for their actions and has expectations for the leaders it worked hard to elect in 2008.

In addition, Rhodenbaugh said winning the award outside of an election year and on a limited budget speaks to the dedication of the club's members.

"It's a real honor to win this award because it shows the commitment of our members to changing American politics and accomplishing the goals of the president we worked so hard to elect," Rhodenbaugh said. "Political activism is an essential part of being an American citizen, and I'm proud that so many students were involved in the political process."

The high level of commitment of members of College Democrats has allowed the club to operate over 20 phone banks in cooperation with Organizing for America, co-sponsor a city-wide health care rally, maintain consistent weekly club programming and work extensively on issues such as clean energy, GLBT rights, foreign policy

and labor, Rhodenbaugh said.

"We see ourselves as a club that works hard for candidates and issues that has made a legitimate impact in South Bend and our country," Rhodenbaugh said. "We also serve the purpose of getting students involved and developing the future leaders of our country, regardless of whether or not students end up in politics."

Vasquez echoed Rhodenbaugh's thoughts on the club's role in the local and national political realms and the dedication of its members.

"Our members are an enthusiastic and cohesive family and they don't stop being College Democrats when the meeting is over," Vasquez said. "We are especially proud of our relationship with the South Bend community and the entire state of Indiana."

Rhodenbaugh also cited a commitment to social justice as the motivation for the club's goals of reforming the political system. He said he believes that the club's high level of activism has helped change perceptions of Notre Dame students as predominantly Republican while adhering to the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.

"Much of our activism has been rooted in a holistic interpretation of Catholic Social Teachings," Rhodenbaugh said. "We have worked hard to open minds and challenge traditional views about religion and politics on this campus, and we have had a lot of success."

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SMC senior honored for community service

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
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Saint Mary's senior Lizzy Pugh tutors children, serves as a teacher's assistant at a local primary center and writes letters to grade school students through the College's pen pal program.

But Pugh, a religious studies and German double major, does not clock these service hours to further her major. Rather, she got involved in service to get to know the greater community.

"I wanted to know South Bend," Pugh said. "Service is not only an excellent way to know South Bend, but also to know not only the triumphs, but the tribulations the community faces. You get to get in there and be with them in solidarity, face those things and help them overcome them."

As a result of her efforts, Pugh won the "Patricia Arch Green Award for Outstanding Contribution to the College Academy of Tutoring Program."

The Office for Civil and Social Engagement (OCSE) gave the award as part of National Volunteer Week, which ran from April 19 to April 23.

Green, for whom the award is dedicated, graduated from the College in 1961 and spent her life doing service. In 2008, Green's husband established this award, which goes to a student in the College Academy of Tutoring (CAT) program who has done "exemplary" volunteer work.

Colleagues of Pugh say she is one of these people.

"[Pugh] is an example of service and dedication to others," CAT program director Olivia Critchlow said in a press release. "She leads in a very gentle way

that is far beyond her years and is a very compassionate listener to everyone she encounters. She is an asset to the College, but even more importantly, an asset to our community."

Pugh has clocked over 475 hours of service during her time at Saint Mary's. At Warren Primary Center, Pugh works with children with learning disabilities, such as Attention Deficit Disorder and dyslexia. She said seeing a child transform from a student who cannot stand reading into one who gets excited about it is one of the most fulfilling experiences.

"They would rather be dragged through the mud on a rainy, cold day than read a book," Pugh said. "So, my favorite thing is, even just in a few weeks, they run up to you and say, 'Can you read with me today?' They are just so excited about reading."

Pugh said she remembers one girl in particular who struggled with reading for a very long time because she was coping with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

"She was reading [a chapter book], when the year before I had to pull teeth to get her to read a book," Pugh said. "[It] was really a testament to the work of not only myself, but also the other young women who worked in those classrooms, as well as the teachers."

After graduation, Pugh said she hopes to continue service work, whether in the classroom or aiding women and children.

In addition to her work in the local schools, Pugh has also been involved in campus ministry and OCSE events and planning.

No matter where life takes her, volunteer work will always play a role, she said.

"I know I want to work with kids and faith, or even just service," Pugh said. "Service is just such a part of my life and I can't imagine it any other way."

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Pugh

Leadership award honors late business professor

Senior Kristen Koch receives first annual award

Special to The Observer

As a faculty member at Notre Dame for more than 34 years, Management Professor Robert Vecchio was known internationally as a prolific and respected researcher who studied topics that fell into the nexus between psychology and business. Vecchio frequently provided an expert voice for articles on leadership, workplace emotion and motivation. Students relied on him for advice on management and career matters.

Bob Vecchio tragically passed away in February 2009 as a result of injuries incurred in a fall. In his memory, the Management Department of the Mendoza College of Business announced a new commemorative award, with graduating senior Kristen Koch receiving the first Robert Vecchio Leadership Award.

"I know Professor Vecchio

made an incredible impact on the business school and the entire Notre Dame community," said Koch, who served as the president of the Management Club at the Mendoza College of Business. "I am honored to even be remotely associated with his memory."

"The award is given at the discretion of the faculty to a consulting or entrepreneurship student who embraces the spirit of Notre Dame and has excelled in developing leadership skills," said J. Michael Crant, professor and chair of the Management Department. "Kristie received the nomination from several faculty members."

Recipients of the award will receive a watch and have their names engraved on a wall plaque on display outside the Mendoza College Department of Management office.

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CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Members reflect on past year, look forward

By MEGAN DOYLE
News Writer

The Campus Life Council wrapped up discussions for the year Monday with closing comments on the academic environment on campus and the Council's effectiveness as a part of student government.

Former student body president Grant Schmidt presented an executive summary of the previous weeks' talks on intellectual engagement.

"The point of this document is really a transition piece so the ideas that we have worked on do not get lost in conversation between this year and next year," former chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin said.

The summary included setting up an online debate forum for students to share their ideas in a blog format, keeping lecture topics general and more appealing, encouraging more dorm events and connections between the academic commissioners and televising lecture and events through NDtv.

"One of the great blessings of this University that I have experienced over a period of time is that people are not cutthroat with each other," Sorin College rector Fr. Jim King said.

The suggestions that the Council members will pass on to the incoming student government focus on extracurricular competition that is fun for students and unique to Notre Dame, said former senator Chase Riddle.

The Council also reflected

on other discussions from the span of the year and provided feedback for future Council members.

"The great part of this Council is that it is not just students," Schmidt said.

Rectors and administrators on the council are able to check some student opinions, but also provide affirmation for others, he said.

King said he hoped to see the Council hold future discussions on the role, importance and quality of hall government.

"What attraction do I have to join hall government if I am made to feel like a gopher?" he said.

The government inside residence halls needs to be more autonomous and less directed by outside groups, King said.

Over-programming on campus has led to hall government taking the role of liaison for different agencies, and dorm events fall from the precedent, former director of external affairs Gus Gari said.

"Hall government should be student-based and student-run rather than agency-based," he said.

Former Hall Presidents Council co-chair Brendan McQueeney emphasized the need for tangible goals to bring action to student government rather than turning meetings into lists of announcements.

"By having these simple conversations we are really making a difference and improving the University," Schmidt said.

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Fr. Jim King
rector
Sorin College

Housing

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units rented when [Campus Apartments] took over," Cohen said. "They had to be aggressive."

Junior Mike Delach, who originally signed with Kramer Properties, said he was indifferent to the management change.

"I knew that my lease was going to be honored. They just said it was going to be the same kind of ownership. They didn't make it seem like anything was going to change," Delach said.

Delach said he hopes that he will still be able to have "the college experience" and would be disappointed if Campus Apartments was stricter than Kramer Properties.

The only complaint Delach has so far, he said, is the lack of communication between Campus Apartments and students.

"I'm feeling pretty underinformed from Campus

Apartments," he said. "[I'd like] more information. Security information would be good."

Donoghue said she has not yet been contacted by Campus Apartments.

"Though we have not attempted to contact Campus Apartments, it seems strange to me that they haven't reached out to us at all," she said.

Kramer said he sold the properties to reduce the number of homes he owned and help improve business.

"We like to make it have more of a personal touch," Kramer said. "It was getting quite large. We want to be on a personal level with students."

Kramer said he still has 75 student homes, as well as the Lafayette Square townhomes and other properties.

"Business is still booming," Kramer said. "We're still around and we intend to be in business for a long time."

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Doyle

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University will be beneficial when he takes over as vice president for Student Affairs this summer. He will replace Fr. Mark Poorman, who has held the position for the past 11 years.

"I don't think God wastes anything at all. He takes all of our experiences and all of our gifts and even takes the mistakes that we make and allows us to continue to sort of use them," Doyle said.

As an undergraduate, Doyle lived in Grace Hall, where he was involved in interhall sports and hall government, attended Sunday liturgy and met his first Holy Cross priest. Most importantly, Doyle said, it was where he made lifelong friends.

"I made some of the best friends of my life while I was an undergraduate and living in Grace Hall, including the roommates that I lived with," he said. "I'm still in touch with most of them today on almost a weekly basis."

After graduation, Doyle worked in Seattle for a few years before returning to Notre Dame to be ordained as a priest. He then taught business ethics in the Mendoza College of Business and served as rector of Keough Hall.

"I came brand new with the building," he said. "Grace had shut down and Keough and O'Neil opened up, so I went to live in Keough Hall with people who had lived in the dormitory I lived in as an undergraduate."

"One of the great advantages of living in a dormitory is young people, college students especially, will keep you young. You stay stimulated and not just sort of current issues and current news, but you get to follow all the



Photo courtesy of Fr. Thomas Doyle
Fr. Thomas Doyle poses with University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh in the fall of 2009.

trends that are going on, whether it is music or video games or just culture in general."

Serving as a rector gave Doyle an insight into the rector's life, which he said will be helpful in his new position.

"I think being a rector in campus ministry helped me to understand what happens in a hall and how hard a rector works and what their dilemmas are and how much they care," Doyle said. "It will help me appreciate the work they're doing."

Doyle said when he returns to campus he will live in a dormitory, but he is not sure in which hall.

"I don't know who is moving in or who is moving out," Doyle said. "The one thing that's really important to me is I love living in a dorm."

Since the announcement in November that Doyle would take over as vice president for Student Affairs, he said he has tried to listen and learn as much as possible.

"Fr. Mark Poorman has done such a great job in Student Affairs, as well as all

the people who have worked with him. So even though this has been announced for a while, I really tried my very best to learn as much as I can about the University," he said.

"I've tried to meet as much of the staff as I can, to listen to other parts of the University, to find out parts that are going really well and to find out things that others think we can do better."

Doyle said he is both excited and humbled to take over the position, and said he looks forward to working with fellow administrators and students.

"I think we all deeply have the same goal and I want to find a way for us to get there," he said. "We just really need to stick with things, by each other and extend a lot of courtesy and respect and trust to one another."

"We will try to do that in Student Affairs and we will ask that of the students and our colleagues as well."

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Observer File Photo
Panelists discuss sustainability at the 2008 Notre Dame Forum. The Forum will return in the fall.

Forum

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"create a year-long discussion on the role of ethics, values and morals in the rebuilding and reshaping of the global economy."

Jenkins referenced Pope Benedict XVI's most recent encyclical, "Caritas in Veritate," which discusses global development and economics.

"Pope Benedict issued a reminder [in his encyclical] that 'the economy needs ethics in order to function correctly — not ethics whatsoever, but an ethics

which is people-centered," Jenkins said in the statement.

"That encyclical comes out of a long tradition of the Church's social teaching which asks us to reflect on the moral dimensions of individual and collective economic choices, and evaluate them with regard to their contribution to justice and the common good."

The annual Forum, which was launched in 2005, was not held this past year. University spokesman Dennis Brown first told The Observer last September the Forum would be delayed until the spring semester, and then administrators announced in January a schedul-

ing conflict with a major speaker caused the planned Forum to be canceled.

University spokesman Dennis Brown said Monday the topic announced for the 2010 Forum was not the one planned for the past year.

Next fall's Forum will be the fifth at the University. Past Forum topics have included sustainability, global health and immigration.

According to the press release, the Forum topic was decided after discussion with the Dean's Council. A working committee comprised of faculty, students and administrators will be formed and charged with planning the 2010 event, the release said.

Friedman will be one of a number of notable guests to be featured at a Notre Dame Forum. Past speakers include GE Chief Executive Officer Jeff Immelt, Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter, economist Jeffrey Sachs, Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los Angeles and others.

Friedman is a Pulitzer prize-winning columnist and author of several bestsellers, including "The World Is Flat," and most recently "Hot, Flat and Crowded." As a writer and media commentator, Friedman has examined a variety of topics, including globalization and economic issues, religious fundamentalism and terrorism and conflict in the Middle East.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Judge tosses kidnapping charges

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A Haitian judge said Monday he has dismissed kidnapping and criminal association charges against 10 American missionaries detained for trying to take a busload of children out of the country after the Jan. 12 earthquake.

Judge Bernard Saint-Vil said Laura Silsby, the last of the 10 missionaries jailed in Haiti, still faced a lesser charge for allegedly organizing the effort to transport the 33 children to an orphanage they were setting up in the Dominican Republic.

Silsby faces up to three years in prison if convicted on the remaining charge, the “organization of irregular trips,” from a 1980 statute restricting travel out of Haiti signed by then-dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier.

Canada won't fund abortions in plan

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia — Canada's Conservative government said Monday it won't fund abortions as part of its top foreign-aid initiative at this year's G-8 summit, a stance that U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and other allies disagree with.

Canada has made maternal and children's health its centerpiece issue at the G-8 summit in Huntsville, Ontario in late June.

The stance on abortion is in disagreement with Clinton, who was adamant at a G-8 meeting last month that any international effort to boost maternal health must include family planning, including access to safe abortions.

NATIONAL NEWS

Homeless good Samaritan left to die

NEW YORK — The homeless man lay face down, unmoving, on the sidewalk outside an apartment building, blood from knife wounds pooling underneath his body.

One person passed by in the early morning. Then another, and another. Video footage from a surveillance camera shows at least seven people going by, some turning their heads to look, others stopping to gawk. One even lifted the homeless man's body, exposing what appeared to be blood on the sidewalk underneath him, before walking away.

It wasn't until after the 31-year-old Guatemalan immigrant had been lying there for nearly an hour that emergency workers arrived, and by then, it was too late. Hugo Alfredo Tale-Yax — who police said was stabbed while intervening to help a woman being attacked — had died.

Opponents protest immigration law

PHOENIX — The furor over Arizona's new law cracking down on illegal immigrants grew Monday as opponents used refried beans to smear swastikas on the state Capitol, civil rights leaders demanded a boycott of the state, and the Obama administration weighed a possible legal challenge.

Activists are planning a challenge of their own, hoping to block the law from taking effect by arguing that it encroaches on the federal government's authority to regulate immigration and violates people's constitutional rights by giving police too much power.

The measure — set to take effect in late July or early August — would make it a crime under state law to be in the U.S. illegally.

LOCAL NEWS

Gary receives 2010 tax relief

GARY, Ind. — A state property tax appeals board for the second year in a row has granted the city of Gary and other taxing units in that city budget relief from new state property tax caps.

The Indiana Distressed Unit Appeals Board on Monday granted the city of Gary, the Gary Sanitary District and the Gary Stormwater Management District most of the budget relief it sought for 2010. The action raised property tax caps for Gary property owners.

Preliminary estimates show the 2010 property tax caps will be 1.5 percent for homeowners, 2.65 percent for landlords and 3.79 percent for businesses.

Girl says killer followed her home

California sex offender murdered 17-year-old girl in nearby park later that day

Associated Press

EL CAJON, Calif. — An 11-year-old girl told police a man followed her home from school the day before registered sex offender John Albert Gardner III raped and murdered a 17-year-old girl in a nearby park, according to search warrants unsealed Monday.

The documents also said two women joggers were convinced they had encountered Gardner on the afternoon of Feb. 25, the day he attacked and killed Chelsea King when she went for a run in the park.

One woman said she was convinced a man she briefly spoke with about coyotes and snakes was Gardner.

Investigators linked Gardner to King's murder through semen found on her underwear, according to the search warrants unsealed in response to a request by The Associated Press and other news organizations.

King's body was discovered in a shallow lakeside grave five days after she vanished.

The warrants said authorities seized 11 shovels, three pickaxes and other digging tools from Gardner's home in Lake Elsinore along with a “Hard Rock Cafe Baghdad” T-shirt and other clothing.

They also found a tool case with black electrical and duct tape in a storage unit in suburban Escondido; black duct tape and a fast-food receipt from Feb. 25 in his girlfriend's car; and several “Hard Rock Cafe” shirts and a shovel at his mother's home in San Diego.

Gardner, 31, pleaded guilty April 16 to raping and murdering King and 14-year-old Amber Dubois, who was abducted while walking to school in Escondido in February 2009.

Gardner had served five years of a six-year prison sentence for molesting a 13-year-old San Diego neigh-



John Gardner, right, glances at the gallery after he pled guilty to two counts of murder, Friday, April 16 in San Diego Superior Court.

bor in 2000.

The search warrants said the 11-year-old girl told San Diego police on Feb. 24 that a man in a black car slowly drove by and parked as she walked home alone from school in the Rancho Bernardo area. The driver made no effort to speak with her.

A woman then pulled up beside the girl, told her the man looked suspicious, and offered to follow her two blocks to her house. The man then made a U-turn and drove away.

The girl told a family member the man had stared at her before pulling forward, and that she later recognized Gardner from a photo published after his arrest in the death of King.

Investigators then asked

her to identify the man from among six photos. She picked two of the pictures, and one was Gardner, according to the documents.

One of the women joggers told investigators she spoke with a man in a “Hard Rock Cafe” T-shirt who was drinking beer and smoking a cigarette when she went for an afternoon run on the day King was attacked.

After Gardner's arrest, she told authorities she was positive he was the man she saw along the running trail.

“The person told her to watch out for the snake and she noticed there was a rattlesnake,” the affidavit reads.

The runner, identified as Cindi Jo Stock, spoke with the man again on her way back.

Another runner, Jacquelyn Maxton, also told authorities she saw Gardner that afternoon in a “Hard Rock Cafe Baghdad” T-shirt.

“She was 100 percent positive the person she saw on the trail was the person she saw on television because his haircut and eyes looked exactly the same,” the affidavit reads.

The affidavits also describe a Dec. 27 attack on another jogger in the area. Gardner pleaded guilty to attempted rape in that case.

The jogger, Candice Moncayo, reported saying good morning to a man who returned the greeting then tackled her and began to climb on top of her, pinning her shoulders to the ground.

NIGERIA

Three journalists killed covering fighting

Associated Press

LAGOS — Gunmen shot and killed a Nigerian journalist at his home the same day two others died while attempting to cover fighting between Christians and Muslims in the nation's restive central highlands, authorities said Monday.

The outbreak of violence highlights the daily dangers confronting local journalists in Africa's most populous nation, a country where bribery and corruption prevails at all levels of government and some reporters temper their stories for fear of angering those in power.

In Lagos, police spokesman Frank

Mba said gunmen on Saturday night raided the home of Edo Ugbagwu, a reporter who covered court cases for the daily newspaper The Nation. Mba said Ugbagwu's younger brother witnessed the men begin an argument with Ugbagwu that led to the shooting of the 42-year-old journalist.

Mba said detectives on the case had yet to come up with a motive for the slaying. Lawal Ogienagbon, a deputy editor at The Nation, said Ugbagwu hadn't been working on any controversial stories leading up to his death and had received no threats.

“He worked in the courts. All you do is hear from both sides and whatever the judge does, you report,”

Ogienagbon told The Associated Press. “We can't say why he was killed.”

In Jos, the central Nigerian city at the epicenter of recent religious violence, two journalists working for the Christian publication The Light Bearer newspaper died Saturday. The Nigeria Union of Journalists identified them as deputy editor Nathan S. Dabak, 36, and reporter Sunday Gyang Bwede, 39.

The union said unknown attackers stabbed the two men to death as they were on their way to an assignment. Earlier that day, the body of a 13-year-old boy was discovered in front of a mosque in the city, sparking protests and attacks.

Poorman

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stories, a lot of concerns and a lot of crises," he said.

Poorman, who has headed the Office of Student Affairs for 11 years, announced in the fall that he will step down as vice president — a job which he said is one of the "most gratifying things" he has done as a Holy Cross priest.

Fr. Thomas Doyle, executive vice president at the University of Portland, will replace Poorman June 30.

"It's time. There are some other things I want to do. I always loved teaching, and I want to return to theology and teaching," Poorman said as the end of the year and the end of his tenure approaches. "I think it's time for other people to assume leadership and bring ideas to student life."

Looking back on the past 11 years, Poorman said a constant challenge as an administrator at Notre Dame was balancing academics and Catholicism at the University.

"We have said from the beginning that we want to have both true academic excellence and deepen Catholic character," he said. "We live in a culture that sometimes wonders whether we can do both."

But Poorman cited a strong campus ministry program and students active in religious life as evidence that it is possible to merge academics and religion.

"I think the Catholic character pervades everything we do," he said.

Leading an office with a central focus on student life, Poorman said his tenure as vice president has had several focuses, namely integrating academics into campus life, overseeing construction of two new residence halls, as well as several other building projects and diversity initiatives.

Poorman led Student Affairs through the construction of Duncan and Ryan Halls, the renovation of the counseling and health care offerings in Saint Liam's Hall and the use of Coleman-Morse Center to house Campus Ministry.

Ryan and Duncan Halls, as well as putting into place plans for the construction of two new dorms, were important initiatives for maintaining the quality of life in the dorms and solving the problem of overcrowding in the residence halls, Poorman said.

"There have been lots of initiatives to improve residential life over past 10 years," he said. "We want to un-crowd current residence halls to meet a national standard for personal space, study space and social space."

Poorman said the renovation of Saint Liam's Hall was part of a push to address student health concerns like alcohol abuse and mental health issues.

"I think we have a lot more students with serious issues like depression and anxiety. We've done some soul searching about the appropriate level of service for students

with stronger needs," he said. "That's been with us, and we are constantly strategizing about how to address it."

During Poorman's time in Student Affairs, the Office also created the Gender Relations Center and restructured the Core Council for Gay and Lesbian students.

"In the course of past decade, we have worked really hard to create and sustain a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students, including gay and lesbian students," he said. "I think we have some terrific support for gay and lesbian students, like Coffee in CoMo and StANd Against Hate Week. I'm very proud of what been able to do in last decade."

But he said the accomplishments of the Office in the past 11 years are a credit to a large staff.

"My colleagues in Student Affairs are shining examples of the superb educational and pastoral leadership that characterizes Notre Dame's student life, and I owe them and others an enormous debt of gratitude for all that we have achieved together," he said.

Recently, Poorman helped student government estab-

lished a new Transpo route that runs Friday and Saturday nights, taking students off campus for the evening. Student government did the legwork to create the route and partially funded it, along with Student

Affairs.

"I think at the beginning, we wondered whether the ridership would be strong, but after first couple weekends realized students would actually use service," Poorman said of helping push through the Transpo initiative. "Our primary concern was the safety and welfare of students, and I think the service has been a great step forward."

Former student body president Grant Schmidt, who worked with Poorman on the Transpo initiative, said the priest makes students his first priority.

"What's so incredible is that despite his challenging responsibilities, he fulfills them with such a great approach — an approach that constantly keeps students as the focus," Schmidt said. "And because of that, students flock to him."

Poorman said forming relationships with students is central to his vocation as a Holy Cross priest.

"I live with students, I teach students, I pray with students, I oversee the quality of their lives as an administrator," he said. "I'm very blessed in that all that contact gives me great access to students and vice versa."

In the fall, Poorman will take an academic leave to serve as a visiting scholar at Santa Clara University in California before returning to Notre Dame to rejoin the theology faculty full time. He said he will possibly teach a class in the spring.

"I feel so blessed and grateful," he said of the past 11 years. "My basic sense is just tremendous gratitude."

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Strike

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holding up signs. With a total involvement of about 30 students staying at least part of the time, the strike concluded Friday afternoon with Mass in front of the main steps.

Thirteen of the 30 students engaged in the hunger strike the whole week.

"I think that after this week ... we are more committed than ever," junior Liz Furman said. "Our work is complete when our University upholds the morals and values that it says it upholds on its mission statement."

As the latest chapter in a debate that has stretched on for years, the hunger strike aimed at Notre Dame's continued investment in HEI, a firm that develops many of the country's most well-known hotels.

Students called for the University to withdraw its investment with HEI due to allegations that the company practiced unethical tactics in preventing workers from unionizing.

The University said this week, however, that it has considered these allegations and found them to be unsub-

stantiated.

"In accord with Notre Dame's longstanding social investment policy, the University has investigated and closely monitored recent and ongoing claims made about HEI's labor practices," University spokesman Dennis Brown said in a written statement.

Brown said Notre Dame remains convinced that HEI engages in fair labor practices and is an "outstanding company."

Sophomore Roman Sanchez said the students did not receive a response from the University since their hunger strike.

"We sent letters everyday to the President's Office," he said. "But [we've heard] nothing from an official University spokesman."

He did say, however, that they have been in communication with Chief Investment Officer Scott Malpass, who offered to provide more information about HEI in the future.

Malpass was not available for comment.

Following the conclusion of the hunger strike, Sanchez said he is excited for the future.

"I'm excited to see where we'll go. I really believe in what we're doing, and I

believe that what we're doing is all in the message of Christ," he said.

Sanchez said his complaints were not part of any personal battle with the University, so much as making sure it was being accountable to Christian message.

Furman said she was encouraged by the support of the community and strangers alike throughout the week.

"We received a letter from a clergy group called CLUE (Clergy and Laity Uniting for Economic Justice)," she said. "It was a third party support for us, our hunger strike and the HEI workers."

One of the biggest successes of the strike was the mere fact that they managed to raise awareness, Furman said.

"Just having come out of the hunger strike, and now that there is more awareness of the issue, our campaign is not over," she said. "[Our] campaign will not end just because the school year ends."

Although no immediate next step has been decided, Sanchez said the students will likely continue their efforts and pick up where they leave off in the fall.


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IN BRIEF

Lawmakers mull raising licence fee

OKLAHOMA CITY — Oklahoma lawmakers said Monday they are considering raising the cost of renewing a driver's license by \$8.50, as well as several other fee increases, as they grapple with an estimated \$1.2 billion budget shortfall.

Department of Public Safety Commissioner Kevin Ward told a joint House and Senate budget panel that more than a dozen proposed fee hikes or new fees would generate an estimated \$32.8 million for the cash-strapped agency.

The legislative committee, which asked several public safety agencies to present scenarios for budget cuts ranging from 7.5 percent to 12.5 percent, also heard from the director of the state's prison system, who warned that deeper budget cuts could lead to a major crisis.

Further cuts would mean cutting even more employees that watch over a growing number of inmates, Department of Corrections director Justin Jones said, raising "just one new red flag after another that in my business is indicative that you're heading for a train wreck."

Northrop Grumman to move to Virginia

RICHMOND, Va. — Defense contractor Northrop Grumman Corp. will move its headquarters cross country to the Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C., to be closer to its key customers in the U.S. government, officials said Monday.

Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley congratulated northern Virginia for winning an intense sweepstakes between the two states for the corporate control center. Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell planned to announce the relocation on Tuesday in Arlington.

The company announced in January that it wanted to move from Los Angeles to the Washington area by 2011. A spokesman did not immediately return calls and an e-mail Monday seeking comment on the company's choice.

Northrop Grumman CEO Wesley G. Bush told O'Malley on Monday that the company decided to move to one of two sites in Virginia, O'Malley spokesman Rick Abbruzzese said.

Fundraising spares Hollywood sign

Donation by Playboy founder Hugh Hefner caps drive for land conservation pact

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Hollywood sign, a beacon to stars and star-struck alike, has been saved from urban sprawl under a land conservation pact announced Monday after a donation by Playboy founder Hugh Hefner capped a multimillion-dollar fundraising drive.

"It's a symbol of dreams and a symbol of opportunity and hope," actor-turned Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said at a news conference below the towering letters. "The Hollywood sign will welcome dreamers, artists and Austrian body-builders for generations to come."

The huge sign overlooking the city was in danger of having its distinctive setting on the flanks of the Santa Monica Mountains crowded by construction of estate homes on nearby Cahuenga Peak.

But a \$900,000 donation from Hefner, who helped save the sign itself 32 years ago, and a \$500,000 matching grant completed a \$12.5 million fundraising drive to protect 138 acres from development that would have altered the globally recognized symbol of the world's film and television capital.

"My childhood dreams and fantasies came from the movies, and the images created in Hollywood had a major influence on my life and Playboy," Hefner said.

Schwarzenegger praised the public and private partnership that raised the money to keep the property out of the hands of developers.

The Trust for Public Land conservation group raised \$6.7 million in private funds, the state offered \$3.1 million, and local funds totaled \$2.7 million.



California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger joins officials to announce the success of the "Save the Cahuenga Peak" campaign Monday in Los Angeles.

Schwarzenegger said private donations came from all 50 states, 10 foreign countries, The Tiffany & Co. and a number of individuals, including J. Paul Getty heir Aileen Getty, Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks.

Cahuenga Peak, just west of the sign's location on Mount Lee, features a 360-degree panorama of Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley.

Moviemaker and aviation mogul Howard Hughes bought the property in 1940 to build a home for then-girlfriend Ginger Rogers. But that never came about, and the Hughes estate sold the property in 2002 for \$1.7 million to the Chicago-based investment group

Fox River Financial Resources Inc.

It was put on the market again two years ago for \$22 million, but The Trust for Public Land negotiated a lower price.

Ironically, the sign was originally erected in 1923 to promote a real estate development, with its 30-foot-by-50-foot letters spelling "Hollywoodland."

But as Hollywood was entering its golden age, the sign already symbolized the allure of stardom. In the 1930s a young, struggling actress climbed the sign and leaped to her death.

By the late 1940s the sign was falling apart and the "land" portion was removed, giving it the appearance known today.

It continued to decay even after the city made it a cultural monument in 1973.

Hefner came to the rescue in 1978 by organizing a fundraiser that enabled a complete rebuilding of the sign, which had to vanish from the skyline for several months.

Wildlife Conservation Board executive director John Donnelly said the permanent protection of Cahuenga Peak is a significant addition to the city's 4,210-acre Griffith Park and will enhance wildlife corridors throughout the region.

"Today, we have the Hollywood ending we hoped for," said William B. Rogers, president of The Trust for Public Land.

Moguls pledge cash to newspaper bid

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Business moguls Raymond and Ronald Perelman have pledged last-minute cash to join local investors trying to keep Philadelphia's two largest newspapers away from creditors at a bankruptcy auction scheduled for Tuesday.

The father and son replaced California billionaire Ron Burkle in shoring up the local bid for the company that owns The Philadelphia Inquirer and Philadelphia Daily News.

Burkle, a major donor to Democratic causes, had agreed at the urging of Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell last week to aid the local bid rather than mount his own bid for the newspapers. But he will now step

aside.

The local group now includes the Perelmans, chemical company heir David Haas and several current investors, including home builder Bruce Toll. They will compete with the creditors group and a third bidder, the Canadian investment firm Stern Partners, at the closed-door auction for Philadelphia Newspapers.

Terms of the three bids were not disclosed.

However, Publisher Brian Tierney said the creditors' bid calls for firing all of the company's 4,500 employees, with a pledge only to rehire at least 51 percent on new terms.

"So, up to 2,250 people could lose their jobs, and even those that retain their jobs could have very different (salaries and benefits)," Tierney said

after a final pre-auction bankruptcy hearing Monday. "It's shocking."

The other two bidders included plans to try to negotiate contracts with the roughly 4,000 unionized workers, the company said. However, Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Stephen Raslavich noted that none of the bids come with any employment guarantees.

Toll, Tierney and other investors bought Philadelphia Newspapers in 2006 for \$515 million, only to see its value slide amid the industrywide falloff in revenue. Tierney himself has had to layoff staff, and the company now has about 500 fewer employees, he said Monday.

The company's current value could be less than \$100 million, company executives and creditors have said.

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The slippery path to a police state

The issue of illegal immigration reform had taken a backseat for the Obama administration and Congress since 2008, with health care and financial reform deemed as more important priorities to resolve first. But now the issue appears to be moving back into the limelight after the state of Arizona signed into law an extremely controversial immigration law last Friday.

The new law in Arizona makes the failure to carry immigration documents a state crime, and gives police the ability to detain people they reasonably suspect of being an illegal immigrant "when practicable." The law also allows citizens to sue their respective cities if they feel the law is not being enforced properly. Illegal immigration is already a federal crime, but this bill allows police to charge illegal immigrants without official immigration papers with a separate state misdemeanor and hand them over to federal officials to be deported. Gov. Jan Brewer, who apparently remained silent on the issue until hours before signing the bill into law, stated that the new law "represents another tool for our state to use as we work to solve a crisis we did not create and the federal government has refused to fix."

The law is a serious step backward in the battle to reform immigration policy and is certainly one that will be fought in the federal courts for its inherent demonization of Hispanic-Americans. Arizona has a majority white population, with close to 30 percent being Hispanic. Although Gov. Brewer acknowledged the criticisms that this bill could lead to racial profiling of Hispanics, she assured the people that Arizona will properly train its law enforcement to carry out the law, and that ultimately, "we have to trust our law enforcement." Frightening

words to say the least, and the hints of an increasing tendency towards a police state should concern everyone. It is utterly ridiculous to suggest that ethnic and racial profiling of Hispanics will not be the most significant byproduct of this law given the demographics of Arizona and the increasing emotional rhetoric being placed upon the immigration question. Arizona currently has an estimated half of million illegal immigrants present in its borders now, and the hunt for this huge population would seriously detract from the basic rights of fellow Hispanic citizens living legally in the state.

The law was under enormous criticism nationally before it was even enacted. President Obama commented on the legislation at a naturalization ceremony in the Rose Garden of the White House stating that the bill threatened "to undermine basic notions of fairness that we cherish as Americans, as well as the trust between police and our communities that is so crucial to keeping us safe." As has been noted in the press reports of the president's speech, it is extremely rare for a president to comment on state laws, and Obama made the point that a federal overhaul of the nation's immigration policy was necessary to avoid the "irresponsibility by others." The Mexican Foreign Ministry stated formally it was worried about the rights of its citizens. The law has even divided those in the law enforcement community, with groups such as the Arizona Association of Chiefs of Police coming out against the law, while others such as the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association promoting the law. But its harshest rebuke came courageously from Archbishop Roger Mahoney of Los Angeles. As leader of the nation's largest and mostly Hispanic Catholic archdiocese, he condemned the law as a "mean-spirited and useless anti-immigrant law," and remarked poignantly that America was "now reverting to German Nazi and Russian Communist techniques."

Finally, thousands of protesters stood outside the capital in Phoenix Friday in defiance of the bill.

What is even more disgusting is the once anti-demagogue Sen. John McCain supporting the Arizona legislation in his own state since he, like Gov. Brewer, is locked in a heated primary within his own party. McCain, bowing to pressure from hard-line conservatives, reversed his 2007 position that "we need to come up with a humane, moral way to deal with those people who are here, most of whom are not going anywhere," adding that no matter how much we improve border security, "we will not find most of them, and we will not find most of their employers." How times change.

While the Arizona law most certainly will be challenged in federal courts and hopefully overturned, it is a wake up call to Washington that immigration reform needs to be brought back into the mix. It cannot be left up to states to enact laws that discriminate against populations and threaten the ideals of America, not unlike many of the measures that were taken out of fear to root out suspected terrorists.

Comprehensive reform will be difficult to achieve anytime soon with financial reform on the current agenda and a Supreme Court confirmation expected to take up a portion of the summer. But if Congress does not act quicker to address the issue, more legislation that espouses ethnic and racial profiling will appear. Congress needs to figure out how to address the issue through other means that do not evoke fear and hate, and invite lawless and abusive police power, or else these deplorable police state techniques will continue to surface elsewhere.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The enthusiasm of a woman's love is even beyond the biographer's."

Jane Austen
British novelist

Three principles of family friendliness

In the midst of recent discussion on the Family Friendly Petition currently hosted on these sites:

◆ <https://sites.google.com/a/nd.edu/familyfriendlypetition/> (for students)

◆ <https://sites.google.com/a/nd.edu/notre-dame-family-petition/> (for non-students),

Richard Klee

Guest Columnist

I would like to clarify a few of the principles behind the petition's composition and their relevance for Notre Dame.

Health care is a human right

Many Notre Dame student spouses and international students' children are uninsured. In a 2004 statement, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops noted that "people who lack health insurance are far less likely to receive basic health care services ... They may delay seeking needed medical care ... or have trouble paying medical bills while meeting other essential needs such as food, housing and utilities. The uninsured receive less preventive care, are diagnosed at more advanced disease stages, and once diagnosed, tend to receive less care ... The Institute of Medicine estimates that 18,000 Americans die unnecessarily each year due to the lack of health insurance coverage."

This letter describes the dangers that face the uninsured as well as the reasons why Catholics promote adequate health care access as a human right. Lack of health care threatens every stage of human life from the womb to adulthood. Such risks are faced now by many uninsured student spouses and international student children. This petition calls on Notre Dame to authenticate its Catholic identity and improve the poor health care access of student families. In doing so it can join the Catholic institutions without hospitals that provide affordable coverage to stu-

dent spouses, from The Catholic University of America and Dayton to Ave Maria and the University of Dallas, as well as private schools like Princeton and Texas Christian. The petition also recommends dependent insurance subsidies for international families whose children do not qualify for state-provided health care. Rather than the imposing \$70 million cost of an endowed fund that would provide such support in perpetuity, this petition asks for a 3.5-year commitment from Notre Dame to subsidize coverage to a level affordable to student families until health care reform provisions begin on Jan. 1, 2014.

Female students with children merit targeted support

Several large scale studies demonstrate the substantially lower advanced degree completion rates of female graduate students with children as compared to males with children and single men and women. This condition worsens as graduate programs lengthen and expenses for prerequisite bachelor and master's degrees increase. Many female students are unable to justify the expense and duration of advanced study in view of family concerns while others opt to delay or even forgo children in order to persevere through a six- to 10-year-long graduate track. In order to promote gender equity in outcomes, many peer institutions such as Duke, University of Southern California, Cornell, Yale, Stanford, Berkeley, Princeton, Brown and others provide student maternity leave with additional funding, longer duration, and automatic milestone extensions, in contrast to Notre Dame. Some of these schools also provide part-time enrollment options and paternity leave, in part so women are not mandated the sole or primary caregivers.

A Catholic university has a wealth of reasons to support such efforts in even greater degree so as to encourage the

participation of students with families in advanced study. In Catholic theology, institutions should act from conviction that the family is the foundation of society. This is not only because of the life-giving power of procreation. Families are donors via the endowment of education, humanity and love provided to their members, upon which society depends and universities in particular draw. Proper university support of student family life acknowledges that the relationship between family life and academic work is honest only when the requirements of each are respected. It further promotes the cultural change that must occur in academia to ensure that the welcome of a child is not considered a threat to career prospects for students or junior faculty.

Financial support should match competitors and need

Many peer institutions offer dedicated funds for student families. Such supports vary in form, with examples such as the low-income family grants of up to \$8,000 after childbirth at Berkeley, to emergency family expense grants and pre-tax health and child care accounts at Michigan, to direct subsidies for child care from infancy at many private and public universities. Such supports provide a more level field for low-income student families, a group that particularly includes minority and international students. At Notre Dame, University-supported child care is not provided until age 2 and requires joining a long waiting list. Stipends are typically raised in response only to competition with peer university stipend offers and are not adjusted in view of family need. There are, however, a few departments at Notre Dame who make generous accommodations for students following childbirth that include financial considerations. This petition recommends that Notre Dame offer child care subsidies directly to

student families from infancy and provide departments and schools with discretionary funds to meet financial needs as low-income student families begin or grow. Addressing these concrete financial needs has warrant not only by a comparative look at peer university practices but also and especially by Catholic Social Doctrine and its insistence that the basic requirements of the family be provided for economic arrangements.

Implementation

This petition is addressed to the fellows, trustees and officers of the University, who must ultimately consider the ethical questions raised by the current situation of graduate families as well as the better practices of peer universities regarding families. They will decide whether to improve conditions at Notre Dame. In addition, due to the leadership of Deans Sterling and Turpin and that of the members of the following commissions, there are recommendations from the Graduate School and the University Committee on Women Faculty and Students due soon on some of the conditions described above. We hope the stewards of the University will consider the benchmarks of other schools and the unique contribution that a Catholic university seeking to educate the heart and the mind can make. We further hope individual departments and students will provoke conversations regarding the place of families within their programs in order to create better conditions for students and faculty considering or already involved with family life.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Finishing next to the 50

Before the race started I thought, "Wow I'll run out of the tunnel just like the football players and cheerleaders onto the field and sprint all the way to the 50 yard line." Of course there wouldn't be the 80,000 person crowd cheering me on, but I would have the satisfaction of actually having been on the field sometime during my time here at Notre Dame.

The Leprechaun started off the race and sent us on our way throughout the campus course. How disappointed I was while running toward the Stadium at the end of the race and descending down the tunnel's path to see men in yellow jackets and yellow caution tape. The men said, "Keep to the right," and the runners were directed to run around the outside of the field. I finished next to the 50 yard line — not on it — and nowhere close to the center of the field.

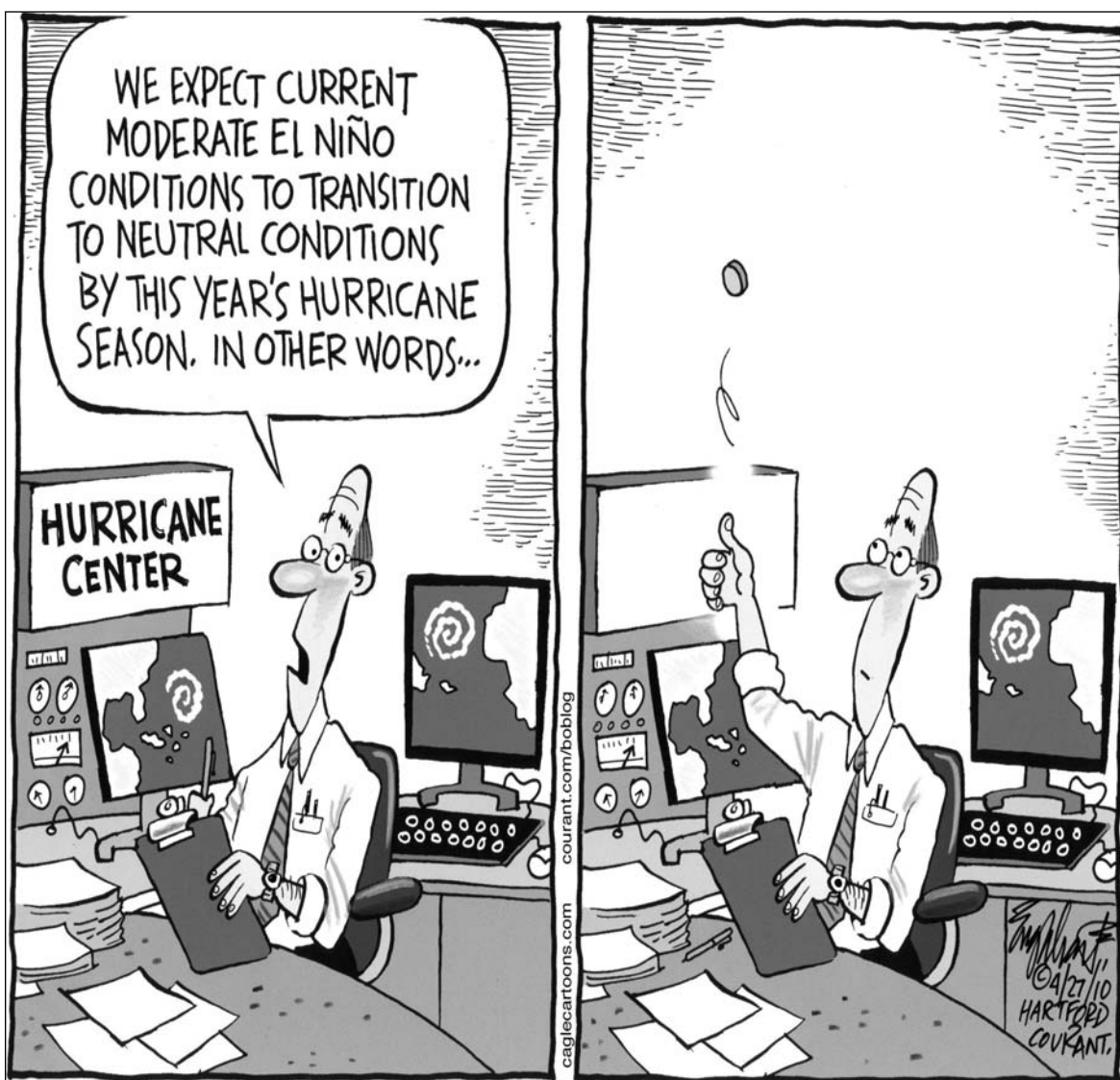
For a race that is called "Finish on the 50," I think the runners should be able to actually run out onto the field. It's false advertising to tell someone that they are going to be able to do something but in reality you never had any intention of letting them. I don't really see how a group of runners in tennis shoes could do any harm to the Stadium's field anyway.

Next year's runners should be allowed to run out onto the football field and be proud of being a part of this Notre Dame community. We should all be able to take in for just one moment that amazing feeling of being on Notre Dame's football field. Life is too short to place restrictions on trivial matters of who can be on the field because "runners will tear up the grass."

So next time let us finish on the 50!

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EDITORIAL CARTOON





By MAIJA GUSTIN
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Portland-based indie folk band Horse Feathers is one of those bands you really should know. They stopped in South Bend Friday to play a concert at Subkirke, the South Bend Christian Reformed Church's concert venue, for a small but enthusiastic audience. They are currently on tour promoting their newest album, "Thistled Spring."

Perhaps most comparable to a band like Iron & Wine, Horse Feathers specializes in that type of melodic indie rock that seems most appropriate for listening to in a serene meadow. They use guitars, pianos and drums just like everyone else, but also feature a cello, some violins, banjos and even a saw.

Subkirke is a small venue, located inside the church. The band played by the altar, but the sound quality was great and the setting was incredibly intimate. It was perfect for both Horse Feathers and their impressive opening act Caroline Smith and The Good Night Sleeps.

Caroline Smith, a singer and songwriter from Minnesota, came only with her band's bassist, but put on a really great show. She sounds like a mix between Joanna Newsom and Florence of Florence + The Machine. The duo's live set was excellent. Their harmonies were tight and they played a broad

range of songs, including a Joanna Newsom cover, which showed an impressively talented young band.

Horse Feathers played a great set, featuring both songs old and new. They are of that impressive breed of bands that truly sounds so much better live than on record. That is because, aside from being incredibly talented musicians, the passion in their music is palpable in person. Lead singer/guitarist Justin Ringle is mesmerizing, but backing members Sam Cooper, Nathan Crockett and Catherine Odell take his emotional guitar tunes to the next level, always adding new layers to their songs, each playing several instruments in any given song. Highlights from the set include old songs "Curs in the Weeds," "Falling Through the Roof" and "Finch on Saturday," and new songs from "Thistled Spring," "Belly of June" and "Cascades."

"Thistled Spring," though similar in tone to previous Horse Feathers albums, feels different nonetheless, probably due to the fact that it is the first album recorded by the current foursome of Horse Feathers. Though Justin Ringle has been with Horse Feathers from the start, other band members have come and gone, with Ringle, Cooper, Crockett and Odell as its current incarnation. If anything, "Thistled Spring" feels more ambitious than past albums. That is not to say it's better, but there is a growth and maturity in the sound of the band.

The album opens with its title song "Thistled Spring." It is a beautiful, sweeping piece that really displays the sound of the violin and cello. A great start to a great album.

"Starving Robins" immediately changes the tone of the album, focusing more on the guitar, banjo and drums and picking up the pace of the album. "Belly of June" is the lead single from "Thistled Spring," and it picks up well where "Starving Robins" left off. It's another great upbeat tune, perfect for summer listening at the beach.

"Cascades" takes the pace back again as a beautiful ballad featuring a saw. "The Drought" has some kind of Spanish inspired mandolin going on and is a nice change of pace from the typical Horse Feathers sound. "The Widower" is more of the band's typical slow ballad, but it is easily one of the most beautiful songs on the album. "Thistled Spring" closes much the same way that it opened, with the slow melodic song "Heaven's No Place." It is one of the best examples of Ringle's great vocals and features all that is best about Horse Feathers, incorporating several different instruments and changing throughout.

"Thistled Spring" is a great album by a small indie band that will hopefully start to get more attention and recognition for their talents. There seems to be more in "Thistled Spring" that will appeal to a broader audience, so hopefully this is

the band's chance to really make their presence known. It is also perfect music for a long night of studying for finals or for a calm summer day at the beach.

Although the album, and really any other Horse Feathers CD, is definitely worth picking up, if the opportunity to see them perform live ever presents itself, take it. Their awesome album cannot do their live performance justice.

'Thistled Spring' Horse Feathers

Label: Kill Rock Stars

Best Tracks: "Thistled Spring,"

"Belly of June," "Cascades,"

"The Drought," "The Widower"



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'...AND THEN WE SAW LAND'

CONQUERING
NEW MUSICAL
TERRITORY



By DECLAN SULLIVAN
Scene Writer

Before I really dig into Tunng album "...And Then We Saw Land," just one warning: This is not a style of music that the majority of people will like.

Tunng is a very odd combination of folk music and electronic music that, while some people will think is crazy and ridiculous and awesome, most people will not want to listen to. Think of MGMT, but more folk, less electronica and a lot less druggy and messed up.

If this sounds like something you might be interested in, keep reading. If not, please stop and go away.

I've never really listened to a style of music quite like this before, and although it took a few album play-throughs, I find that I kind of, sort of like it. Tunng manages to take two genres that I would have never associated with each other — folk and electronic — and meld them in an odd, strange way that still somehow works.

The first single from "...And Then We Saw Land," "Hustle," is a great example of this. It starts out distorted, but then suddenly transitions into what sounds like a pretty standard folk song, no electronic treatment. It stays in this vein for a while, but then gradually electronic elements are added back in, until finally by the end, these elements overtake the folksy ones.

The rest of the album is a similar mix of electronic and folk. Some songs are mostly

folk, some are mostly electronic and some are a pretty even mix of both.

Even after listening through the whole thing multiple times, I still can't exactly describe what I like about it. I really like "Hustle," but after that the album just blends together, flowing from electronic to folk and processed to wholly natural music.

The best way to describe it is by comparing it to dipping French fries in a milkshake: It sounds disgusting, but God help me if you try and don't think it is the most divine combination since celery and peanut butter. You can't really explain why it's so good, but it is, so you just enjoy it and try not read too deeply into it. That is what Tunng and "...And Then We Saw Land" is: If you like it, you like it, if you don't, you don't. If your interested, give it a listen and if your not, well, I told you to go away about two paragraphs ago.

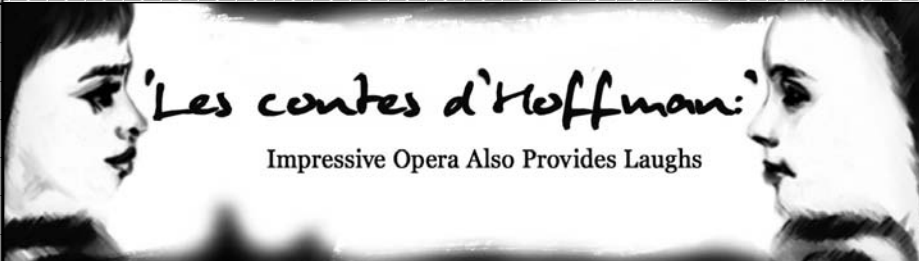
'...And Then We Saw Land' Tunng

Label: Full Time Hobby & Static
Caravan

Best Track: "Hustle"



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Impressive Opera Also Provides Laughs

By ANKUR CHAWLA
Scene Writer

As a first time opera-goer, I was thoroughly impressed with Opera Notre Dame's production of "The Tales of Hoffman." The performers did an incredible job bringing Jacques Offenbach's final masterpiece to life.

"The Tales of Hoffman" follows the life of Hoffman, a poet searching for love. As he meets different women, he is sabotaged and misguided by various people. Nicklausse is a sidekick of sorts to Hoffman, and she helps him along each of his endeavors. Her role was played by sophomore Lina Delmastro (also played by senior Jennifer Valencia) and her voice was possibly the best of the night. At the end of the opera, the Muse of poetry seduces Hoffman and they become lovers.

The first of the three women Hoffman falls for is Olympia. Olympia is a robot, created to sing and look attractive. Coppélius, a nemesis of Hoffman, sells him a pair of magic glasses that make Hoffman think Olympia is real. Once Hoffman discovers that Olympia isn't real, he is mocked and ridiculed. Senior Angela Lauber played the role of Olympia (also played by senior Clarisa Ramos) and her acting was one of the highlights of the night.

The second and third lovers, Antonia and Giulietta, both made Hoffman fall for them using their voices. Giulietta is a courtesan and under the orders of Captain

Dapertutto is paid to seduce Hoffman. Meanwhile, Antonia's father is skeptical of her being with Hoffman and forbids her from singing. Dr. Miracle corners Antonia as she is singing and poisons her. Similarly, as Dapertutto prepares to poison Nicklausse, Giulietta drinks the poison by mistake.

Hoffman, alone and isolated, finally encounters the Muse. The Muse tells Hoffman that she is his true love: poetry. The two of them close the opera hand in hand walking toward the back of the stage.

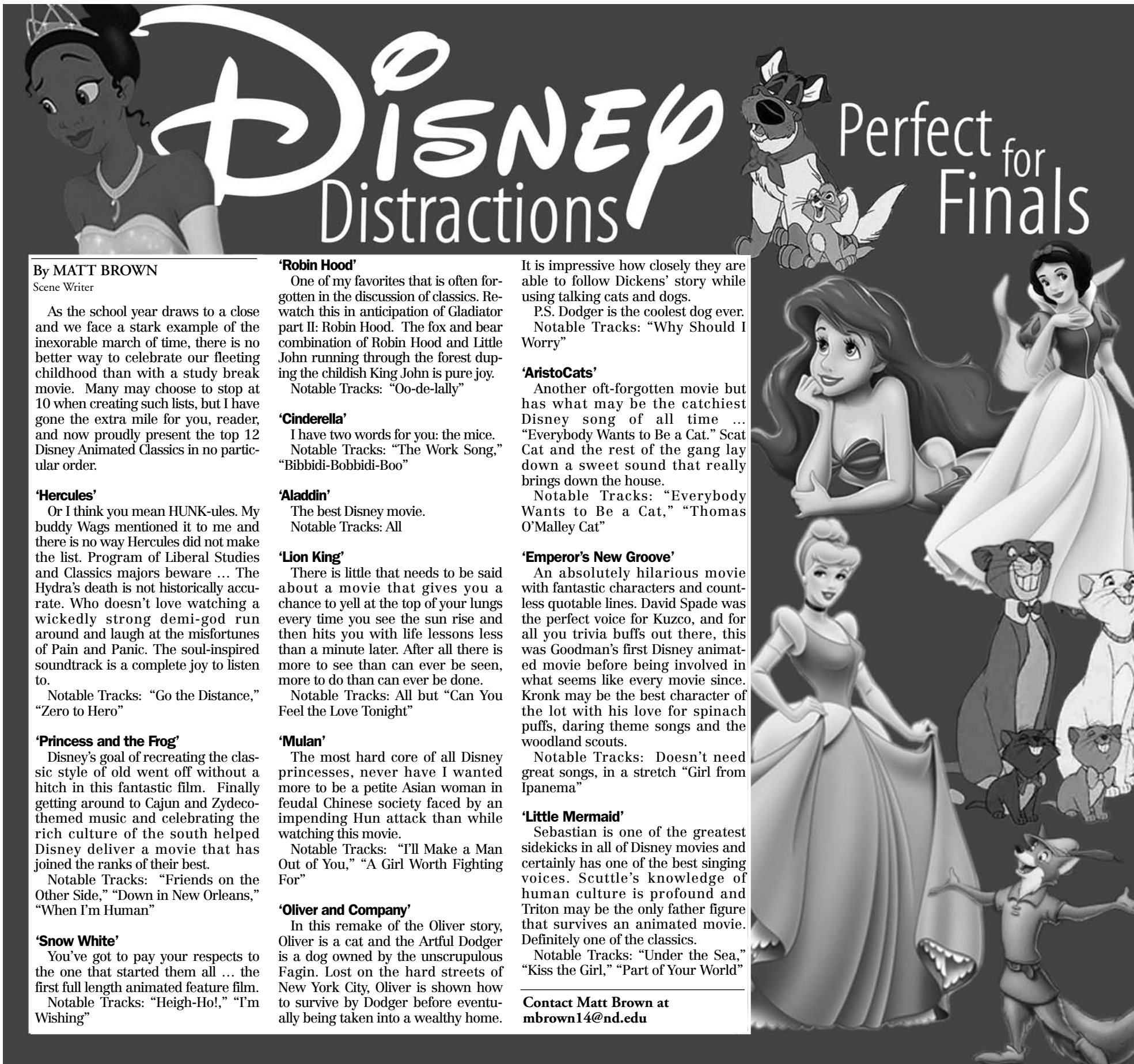
While skeptical before going to the opera, this performance captured my attention from the first act. A bit of comic relief in the middle of the opera came as a butler on stage did a song and dance number. His tap dancing and resonant voice was one of the high points of the night. "Les contes d'Hoffman" was a wonderful production and I applaud everyone who was a part of the show.

'Les contes d'Hoffman'

Produced by: Opera Notre Dame



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Disney Distractions Perfect for Finals

By MATT BROWN
Scene Writer

As the school year draws to a close and we face a stark example of the inexorable march of time, there is no better way to celebrate our fleeting childhood than with a study break movie. Many may choose to stop at 10 when creating such lists, but I have gone the extra mile for you, reader, and now proudly present the top 12 Disney Animated Classics in no particular order.

'Hercules'
Or I think you mean HUNK-ules. My buddy Wags mentioned it to me and there is no way Hercules did not make the list. Program of Liberal Studies and Classics majors beware ... The Hydra's death is not historically accurate. Who doesn't love watching a wickedly strong demi-god run around and laugh at the misfortunes of Pain and Panic. The soul-inspired soundtrack is a complete joy to listen to.
Notable Tracks: "Go the Distance," "Zero to Hero"

'Princess and the Frog'
Disney's goal of recreating the classic style of old went off without a hitch in this fantastic film. Finally getting around to Cajun and Zydeco-themed music and celebrating the rich culture of the south helped Disney deliver a movie that has joined the ranks of their best.
Notable Tracks: "Friends on the Other Side," "Down in New Orleans," "When I'm Human"

'Snow White'
You've got to pay your respects to the one that started them all ... the first full length animated feature film.
Notable Tracks: "Heigh-Ho!," "I'm Wishing"

'Robin Hood'
One of my favorites that is often forgotten in the discussion of classics. Re-watch this in anticipation of Gladiator part II: Robin Hood. The fox and bear combination of Robin Hood and Little John running through the forest duping the childish King John is pure joy.
Notable Tracks: "Oo-de-lally"

'Cinderella'
I have two words for you: the mice.
Notable Tracks: "The Work Song," "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo"

'Aladdin'
The best Disney movie.
Notable Tracks: All

'Lion King'
There is little that needs to be said about a movie that gives you a chance to yell at the top of your lungs every time you see the sun rise and then hits you with life lessons less than a minute later. After all there is more to see than can ever be seen, more to do than can ever be done.
Notable Tracks: All but "Can You Feel the Love Tonight"

'Mulan'
The most hard core of all Disney princesses, never have I wanted more to be a petite Asian woman in feudal Chinese society faced by an impending Hun attack than while watching this movie.
Notable Tracks: "I'll Make a Man Out of You," "A Girl Worth Fighting For"

'Oliver and Company'
In this remake of the Oliver story, Oliver is a cat and the Artful Dodger is a dog owned by the unscrupulous Fagin. Lost on the hard streets of New York City, Oliver is shown how to survive by Dodger before eventually being taken into a wealthy home.
It is impressive how closely they are able to follow Dickens' story while using talking cats and dogs.
P.S. Dodger is the coolest dog ever.
Notable Tracks: "Why Should I Worry"

'Aristocats'
Another oft-forgotten movie but has what may be the catchiest Disney song of all time ... "Everybody Wants to Be a Cat." Scat Cat and the rest of the gang lay down a sweet sound that really brings down the house.
Notable Tracks: "Everybody Wants to Be a Cat," "Thomas O'Malley Cat"

'Emperor's New Groove'
An absolutely hilarious movie with fantastic characters and countless quotable lines. David Spade was the perfect voice for Kuzco, and for all you trivia buffs out there, this was Goodman's first Disney animated movie before being involved in what seems like every movie since. Kronk may be the best character of the lot with his love for spinach puffs, daring theme songs and the woodland scouts.
Notable Tracks: Doesn't need great songs, in a stretch "Girl from Ipanema"

'Little Mermaid'
Sebastian is one of the greatest sidekicks in all of Disney movies and certainly has one of the best singing voices. Scuttle's knowledge of human culture is profound and Triton may be the only father figure that survives an animated movie. Definitely one of the classics.
Notable Tracks: "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl," "Part of Your World"

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'GET HIM TO THE GREEK'

FREE PRE-SCREENING

By ANKUR CHAWLA
Scene Writer

With classes done for the semester, head over to the Cinemark 14 Thursday at 8 p.m for a free prescreening of Universal Pictures' "Get Him to the Greek."

Jonah Hill ("Superbad") and Russell Brand ("Forgetting Sarah Marshall") star in this summer comedy. Set to release in June, "Get Him to the Greek" looks like it will be one of the biggest blockbusters and funniest comedies of the year.

In the movie, Hill plays Aaron Green, an intern at a record company hired to accompany the extravagant British rock star named Aldous Snow, played by Brand. For those of you who saw "Forgetting Sarah Marshall," Aldous Snow's character is carried over from that movie, and if you

remember his mantra — he is walking sex.

Aaron is given the career-making task of escorting Aldous to a concert at L.A.'s Greek Theatre. The British rocker is constantly sidetracked searching for the meaning of life. When he discovers his true love is in California, he devotes his time to getting her instead of the upcoming concert.

Aaron has to make his way through Vegas lap dances, London drug lords and New York City parties trying to get Aldous to the Greek Theatre.

Tickets are available at 119 Dillon Hall and at various campus giveaways.

This movie is sure to be a hit, and if you liked "Forgetting Sarah Marshall," you are going to love "Get Him to the Greek."

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NBA

Nuggets unravel as Jazz take control of series

Associated Press

DENVER — The flustered Denver Nuggets are tweeting and teetering.

After losing at Utah to fall behind 3-1 to the short-handed Jazz in a playoff series they were heavily favored to win, All-Star Carmelo Anthony expressed frustration that he wasn't getting more help and J.R. Smith suggested some players were hogging the ball.

Tweeted Smith: "You play selfish you lose selfish that's all I'm saying about the game," which the Nuggets lost 117-106 after committing 18 turnovers to go with just 13 assists.

Chauncey Billups said Monday that he doesn't see the team unraveling as it sits on the brink of elimination. He suggested the Nuggets aren't a high-volume assist team like the Jazz are because they play a different style.

The Nuggets, however, are clearly a troubled group that two months ago was being touted as the team most capable of unseating the Los Angeles Lakers as the top dog in the West.

Then came coach George Karl's throat cancer diagnosis and the Nuggets haven't been the same since.

They've gone 12-11 under acting coach Adrian Dantley after posting a 42-21 mark under Karl, who underwent three dozen radiation treatments that have left him weak and weary.

Dantley said he doesn't think

he's losing his team or that there's fissures that aren't fixable. He said losses bring out negative comments but "if we win Wednesday, we'll feel a lot better."

They'll have to win that game to maintain hopes of becoming just the ninth team to overcome a 3-1 deficit and the first one to do it since 2006.

Anthony avoided reporters Monday by slipping out a side door, but after scoring 39 points Sunday night and watching none of his teammates chip in more than 14, he said he was exasperated to lose three straight to a team that's missing starters Andrei Kirilenko (strained calf) and Mehmet Okur (ruptured Achilles' tendon).

"I'm trying to do everything I can in my power to beat the Jazz, but at the end of the day I need some help," Anthony said. "I'm not sitting here pointing fingers at anybody, but as a unit we've got to do it together. I can't do it by myself."

The Nuggets were first-round fodder in Anthony's first five NBA seasons before reaching the Western Conference championship a year ago.

'Melo thought first-round flops were a thing of the past.

Smith tweeted his frustrations after shooting 3-for-11 from the floor for 10 points to go with his pair of assists, but nobody seemed to know who he was griping about.

"Well, I don't know who was selfish," Dantley said. "A lot of times it looks like that when

you take shots and you miss when it's the same type of shots you took the first game that we made. But when you lose you feel bad, you say some funny things, say negative things. But the main thing I told the guys (was) just stay together, just win Wednesday."

Some in the organization thought it was ironic that Smith, known for firing up 3-pointers in blowouts or putting up long shots before his teammates can get upcourt to run a play, would level charges of selfishness.

Anthony also voiced his frustration during the game when he got on Chris Andersen for a bad shot.

Despite all the angst, Billups said the Nuggets aren't falling apart.

"I'm not really seeing it, man. It's frustrating to lose. People can really say what they want, but at any rate, when we win, we win together," Billups said.

And he said getting just 25 assists to Utah's 51 in the two games at Salt Lake City doesn't mean the Nuggets are selfish, either.

"I think that the style that we play is not a high-assist volume team. Utah, the style that they play, they're going to move it around every time down. They're going to have 25, 30 assists, most nights. That's the system they have in place," Billups said.

Dantley said the Nuggets just need to pick their heads up for Tuesday's practice and win



AP
Denver's Arron Afflalo and Utah's Deron Williams make contact on a Williams layup attempt during Utah's Game 4 win Sunday.

Game 5 at home no matter how many assists they get.

"If we win, we'll feel a lot better Wednesday," Dantley said. "I think we're going to win Wednesday. It's funny that I would never believe that Utah would beat us three games in a row. That's just what I felt."

How about four straight?

Utah point guard Deron

Williams said the Jazz aren't getting ahead of themselves.

"We're confident but we're not just thinking the series is over already," he said. "We have to close this thing out and hopefully we can do it in Denver. If not we'll come back here and play. We're real confident that we can beat this team."

NFL

Embattled QB Roethlisberger will accept suspension

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A chastened Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger accepted his six-game suspension for violating the NFL's personal conduct policy Monday and promised to "comply with what is asked of me — and more."

In his first comments since the NFL handed down the penalty last week, Roethlisberger apologized to his teammates and fans for his behavior last month in a Georgia bar, where a 20-year-old college student accused him of sexual assault.

"The commissioner's decision to suspend me speaks clearly that more is expected of me. I am accountable for the conse-

quences of my actions. Though I have committed no crime, I regret that I have fallen short of the values instilled in me by my family," Roethlisberger said in the statement.

Roethlisberger was cleared of charges, but commissioner Roger Goodell cracked down on one of his biggest stars because "you are held to a higher standard as an NFL player, and there is nothing about your conduct in Milledgeville (Ga.) that can remotely be described as admirable, responsible, or consistent with either the values of the league or the expectations of our fans."

The two-time Super Bowl winner said that while it will be "devastating" to miss games, "I will not appeal the suspension

and will comply with what is asked of me — and more," he said.

"I am sorry to let down my teammates and the entire Steelers fan base. I am disappointed that I have reached this point and will not put myself in this situation again," Roethlisberger said. "I appreciate the opportunities that I have been given in my life and will make the necessary improvements."

Roethlisberger is the first player suspended by Goodell under the conduct policy who hasn't been arrested or charged with a crime. Goodell said the league's conduct policy gave him the right to impose discipline regardless of whether Roethlisberger broke the law.

"In your six years in the NFL, you have first thrilled and now disappointed a great many people," Goodell wrote. "I urge you to take full advantage of this opportunity to get your life and career back on track."

The suspension can be reduced to four games if Roethlisberger completes an evaluation mandated by the league, any action that is mandated by that evaluation and he remains out of trouble. He can practice during training camp and play in preseason games, but cannot return to game action until at least Oct. 17.

Until now, he has sat out only eight games in six seasons due to injury or to rest up for the playoffs.

Goodell also said he has the

right to extend the suspension if he learns of any additional problems.

Roethlisberger was not available Monday for further comment. Because he cannot work out or train with his teammates until the league clears him after behavioral evaluations, he will not take part in the team's mandatory three-day minicamp this weekend.

Roethlisberger was cleared of charges because a prosecutor said the case was not strong enough to pursue, but the quarterback was rebuked by authorities, Goodell and Steelers president Art Rooney II. Georgia prosecutor Fred Bright was especially harsh, telling the quarterback, "Grow up ... cut it out. You can do better."

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4	Ohio State	5
5	Southern California	4
6	Florida	6
7	Stanford	7
8	UCLA	12
9	Baylor	11
10	Texas A&M	9
11	Georgia	10
12	Kentucky	8
13	Texas Tech	16
14	Illinois	13
15	Louisville	15
16	California	13
17	Duke	14
18	North Carolina	19
19	Mississippi	18
20	Virginia Tech	21
21	Oklahoma	20
22	Pepperdine	22
23	Wake Forest	23
24	Georgia Tech	NR
25	Washington	24

Women's Division I Tennis ITA Poll

	team	previous
1	North Carolina	1
2	Baylor	2
3	Florida	3
4	Michigan	4
5	NOTRE DAME	5
6	Northwestern	9
7	UCLA	7
8	Clemson	8
9	Stanford	10
10	Duke	6
11	Miami	11
12	California	12
13	Tennessee	14
14	Florida State	15
15	Georgia	13
16	South Carolina	18
17	Mississippi	17
18	Southern California	16
19	Texas	20
20	Georgia Tech	25
21	Illinois	NR
22	VCU	24
23	Arizona State	NR
24	South Florida	19
25	Arkansas	23

Men's Division I Lacrosse USILA Poll

	team	previous
1	Virginia	2
2	Syracuse	1
3	Maryland	5
4	North Carolina	3
5	Duke	4
6	Loyola	7
7	Princeton	6
8	Stony Brook	12
9	Massachusetts	16
10	Cornell	8

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MLB



AP

The Phillies and power-hitting first baseman Ryan Howard agreed to a five-year, \$125 million contract that could keep him with the team until 2017. The two-time All Star will become the second-highest paid player in baseball behind Alex Rodriguez.

Phillies lock up Howard with extension

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Ryan Howard preferred securing his future in Philadelphia to testing free agency in two years.

The slugging first baseman agreed to a \$125 million, five-year contract extension Monday that could keep him with the Phillies until 2017.

The 30-year-old Howard will make \$20 million each in 2012 and 2013 and \$25 million annually from 2014-16. The Phillies have a \$23 million club option for 2017 with a \$10 million buyout.

"This is a very good contract for him," Howard's agent Casey Close said. "The reason he felt the time

was right was he loves his teammates, he loves the city. He wanted to be a part of something special for a long time to come."

The two-time All-Star led the Phillies to two straight trips to the World Series, winning a championship in 2008.

The \$25 million guaranteed average salary in the extension will be baseball's second-highest behind Alex Rodriguez's \$27.5 million average under a 10-year contract with the Yankees running through 2017.

One of the factors that might have influenced Howard in agreeing to the deal now is that he would have been eligible for free agency after the 2011 sea-

son, when he will be 32.

After being briefly stuck in the minors while Jim Thome manned first for the Phillies, Howard was the 2005 Rookie of the Year at 25, the same age A-Rod signed his first free-agent deal — \$252 million with Texas in 2001.

Howard, the 2006 NL MVP, is earning \$19 million this season as part of a \$54 million, three-year deal that pays him \$20 million in 2011.

He signed that deal in February 2009, avoiding a potentially contentious arbitration hearing.

Close said the sides began talking about a long-term deal during spring training, before the rumored mega-

trade of Howard for St. Louis star Albert Pujols surfaced on the Internet and was quickly quashed.

Howard hit .279 with 45 homers and 141 RBIs last season and has three homers and 16 RBIs in 80 at-bats this April.

While he has put up monster numbers, averaging 49.5 homers and 143 RBIs over the past four years, he has averaged 191 strikeouts over that span.

Howard's deal could influence Derek Jeter's next deal with the Yankees and Pujols' next contract with the Cardinals.

Jeter, who also is represented by Close, is in the final season of a \$189 million, 10-year contract.

IN BRIEF

Former Houston Oiler charged with DWI

BRYAN, Texas — Former Houston Oilers quarterback Dan Pastorini has been charged with driving while intoxicated following a traffic accident in Bryan, Texas.

Officer Jason James says Pastorini was involved in a three-vehicle collision late Sunday. He was arrested Monday after being treated for minor injuries, then freed after posting \$3,000 bail.

James says the 60-year-old Pastorini, who lives in Houston, about 90 miles southeast of Bryan, also was cited for failure to control speed. Blood test results are pending.

James says Pastorini was alone when his car rear-ended a pickup, which then clipped another vehicle.

Electronic jail records did not list an attorney for Pastorini, who was with the Oilers in the 1970s, then played for the Los Angeles Rams and the Philadelphia Eagles.

Titans sign former Oregon running back Blount to squad

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — LeGarrette Blount, the Oregon running back suspended for punching a player last season, agreed to terms Monday with the Tennessee Titans as an undrafted free agent.

Blount missed eight games in 2009 for punching Boise State defensive end Byron Hout in the season opener Sept. 3. Blount returned late in the season and played in the Rose Bowl loss to Ohio State.

Titans coach Jeff Fisher said in a statement the team talked to a number of people, including Blount, before offering him a deal.

"He was a good college football player who, after talking to a number of people, merits a second chance," Fisher said. "Certainly LeGarrette should understand consequences at this point and we have explained what our expectations are for him to be successful with this opportunity."

Mieuli, former Golden State Warriors owner, dies at 89

OAKLAND, Calif. — Franklin Mieuli, whose deerstalker cap, substantial beard and casual style made him one of the NBA's most colorful figures in his 24 years as owner of the Golden State Warriors, died Sunday. He was 89.

Mieuli died of natural causes in a San Francisco Bay Area hospital, the Warriors said in a statement.

Mieuli was the principal owner of the Warriors from the time they moved to the Bay Area in 1962 until he sold them in 1986. He won an NBA title with the team in 1975, still the club's only championship in nearly a half-century in California.

"Franklin was truly one of the innovators in our league, who was so proud of the Bay Area and his ability to maintain a team there," NBA commissioner David Stern said in a statement Sunday night. "I have always fondly remembered ... his warmth and his belief in the importance of sports to a community."

NFL

Traded veterans define NFL draft

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Time to draft and time to trade ... and trade ... and trade.

NFL teams were almost as busy dealing veterans as they were making draft picks Saturday. Jason Campbell, LenDale White, Kirk Morrison, Leon Washington and Bryant McFadden all changed teams on the final day of the draft.

With Donovan McNabb now in Washington, Campbell became expendable and was sent to Oakland for a fourth-round pick in 2012. Where that leaves JaMarcus Russell, the top overall pick of 2007 who has struggled with the Raiders, is anyone's guess.

The Tennessee Titans dealt White to Seattle, reuniting the running back with his college coach, Pete Carroll. Later, the Seahawks acquired another runner, versatile Leon Washington, from the Jets — who also released standout guard Alan Faneca.

"Just a great one-two punch to add to our team," Carroll said of the new runners, both of whom come with question marks. "We're real excited about Leon Washington. Our guys loved him."

Washington missed half of 2009 with a severe leg injury. He recently re-signed with the Jets, for whom he has starred as a kick returner, runner and receiver.

"It's a great opportunity," he said. "I'm just excited."

The burly and bruising White helped Carroll win a national championship with the Trojans. But he lost his starting job to Chris Johnson and had problems being on time for meetings.

"As far as LenDale falling out of favor, he practiced," Titans coach Jeff Fisher said. "He was prepared to play. I think I can't blame him for wanting to play more. That's the kind of players you want on your roster. Considering the circumstances, he handled things. There were issues I don't need to bring up. I thought he handled things reasonably well."

Oakland also sent starting middle linebacker Morrison to Jacksonville as the bartering got heavy in Round 4.

"For me, it's a new beginning. I feel like I was drafted all over again," Morrison said.

Pittsburgh's fifth-round deal brought back McFadden, who won a Super Bowl with the Steelers in 2008. Arizona drafted quarterback John Skelton of Fordham with the pick it received in the trade.

The fourth round began with St. Louis further bolstering its anemic offense by taking wide receiver Mardy Gilyard, who once lost his scholarship at Cincinnati and even lived out of his car.

When new Seahawks coach Carroll dealt for one of his mainstays at Southern California, getting White from the Titans for Seattle's fourth-rounder and sixth-rounder, Seattle also received defensive tackle Kevin Vickerson. The Titans selected UCLA cornerback Alterraun Verner with

the spot acquired in the deal.

Vickerson was suspended for four games in 2008 for violating the NFL performance enhancers policy. He's been a situational player for Tennessee.

Southern Cal tight end Anthony McCoy, who tested positive for marijuana earlier this year, went 185th overall, also to Carroll in Seattle. McCoy was academically ineligible for the Emerald Bowl last season, the last game Carroll coached for the Trojans before taking the Seahawks job.

Oakland selected one of the draft's fastest players, wide-out Jacoby Ford of Clemson, with the pick acquired from the Jaguars for Morrison. After drafting Rolando McClain in the first round to take over at middle linebacker, Morrison became expendable despite leading the Raiders in tackles the past four seasons.

"I definitely didn't see a slip in my play," Morrison said. "Now I can move to Jacksonville and show what I can do."

St. Louis made quarterback Sam Bradford the first overall selection Thursday night and began the second round Friday by choosing offensive lineman Rodger Saffold from Indiana.

Gilyard was pick No. 99 overall and one of the most high-profile players still available. He should help the Rams on kick returns, too.

"It's like slim to none that kids actually get to go pro," Gilyard said. "My mom, she's bananas right now. She's going to call me about eight times in a row."

In another deal, the Jets moved up to Carolina's spot to draft USC's Joe McKnight at No. 112. That freed the way to deal Washington, and New York chose Kentucky fullback John Conner with the pick secured from Seattle.

All-American tight end Aaron Hernandez of Florida went to New England, the second tight end chosen by the Patriots. When DE Eric Norwood of South Carolina was taken by the Panthers at No. 124, every eligible All-American except placekicker Leigh Tiffin had gone.

The only Rhodes scholar chosen came on the final spot in the sixth round when Tennessee chose Florida State safety Myron Rolle.

"I sacrificed a lot in my Rhodes scholarship experience to stay in shape, make sure I was ready and pride myself for this exact moment," Rolle said.

Wide receiver Tim Toone of Weber State was Mr. Irrelevant, the 255th and final pick. Unchosen were Oregon running back LeGarrette Blount, who was suspended for most of last season after punching a Boise State player in the opener; wideout Danario Alexander of Missouri, who led the nation with 1,781 yards receiving; and quarterbacks Javon Snead of Mississippi and Max Hall of Brigham Young.

NASCAR

Harvick wins Talladega thriller

Associated Press

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Kevin Harvick had the last laugh in the best place, Victory Lane, with an overdue but well-timed celebration.

Harvick used a last-second pass of Jamie McMurray to snap a 115-race winless streak Sunday at Talladega Superspeedway, where he closed out a dramatic week for his race team. Shell Oil Company told Richard Childress Racing this week it was moving its sponsorship at the end of the season, pushing the organization into a search for the funding necessary to sign Harvick to a contract extension.

Harvick, who won the 2007 season-opening Daytona 500 in his first race with Shell, couldn't help but delight at the timing.

"I think it's great karma with everything that has happened this week with the sponsor," he said with a sly smile. "I think it's kind of funny in itself. I think, all in all, it was really good for our team, good for all the cars that have been running well all year and we've been really close to winning races."

"But the karma thing is the best part."

Harvick did it with a slingshot pass that he devised in conversations over the week-end with crew chief Gil Martin and their RCR team.

Harvick lurked behind in traffic, trying to move his way into second place as the race hit the closing laps. His plan was to set himself up for one



Kevin Harvick celebrates his last lap win at Talladega Sunday. Harvick passed Jamie McMurray on the last lap to secure the win.

attempt at the lead, which he made roughly 500 yards from the finish line by sliding inside of McMurray then drag-racing him to the checkered flag.

"We made a plan, and I'm telling you, every piece of it played out exactly how we wanted to play it," Harvick said. "Coming into the last lap, that's exactly how we planned it out on paper."

The win came in the longest Talladega race in Sprint Cup history. Because NASCAR's new overtime rule allows for three attempts at its version of overtime, the race went 12 laps past the scheduled distance of 188 trips around the 2.66-mile superspeedway.

It covered a record 88 lead changes among a record 29 drivers, and the final pass was the one that had everyone talking.

"I hate to show my age, but that was a tremendous pass just like the old days, like you would have seen Buddy Baker or Cale Yarborough," Martin said. "That was a tremendous pass, and it was timed perfectly."

McMurray, this year's Daytona 500 winner after winning the October race at Talladega, couldn't hide his disappointment at misplaying the final half-lap. Seeking his third consecutive restrictor-plate victory, he stretched his fuel tank to the bitter end while racing wide-open to the finish line.



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NBA

Celtics eager to finish off Wade, Heat in Boston

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — You guard Dwyane Wade too closely and he drives to the basket. Give him some room and he sinks a 3-pointer.

What are the Boston Celtics to do?

"It's a tricky situation," Ray Allen said.

Allen has the unenviable task of being the Celtic assigned to defend the Miami Heat star most of the time — his next chance comes Tuesday night in Game 5 — although Allen's teammates are supposed to help. None of them did well enough on Sunday.

Wade raced in for layups and soared high for long-range jumpers. His 46 points,

a franchise playoff record, helped keep the Heat's season alive. They won 101-92 at home, cutting the Celtics lead to 3-1 and forcing the best-of-seven series back to Boston.

"We're not easy opponents," Wade said. "They're going to make some runs. We've got to be able to be tough and not say 'Well, guys, it's been a good year.'"

That's just what Paul Pierce would like to hear from the Heat. His jumper at the buzzer gave the Celtics a 100-98 win in Game 3, setting up the possibility of a sweep.

That didn't happen and now he's eager to wrap the series up in front of his home fans.

"There's a lot of urgency," Pierce said. "Next time I go to Miami, hopefully I'll be on vacation."

First he and his teammates have a tough work day. And it's not just Wade who causes trouble.

On Sunday, Quentin Richardson scored 20 points, Udonis Haslem grabbed 11 rebounds and Michael Beasley converted a key offensive rebound late in the game.

"Wade is going to have the

ball most of the time," Pierce said. "You've got to expect him to have big numbers because of that, but it's the other guys that we have to

shut down and I'm a big part of that when I'm the guy guarding Quentin Richardson."

A win by Miami would send the series back there for a sixth game on Thursday night.

The Celtics spent about an hour watching film on Monday,

a session coach Doc Rivers thought would take 20 minutes. Then they practiced for

"Next time I go to Miami, hopefully I'll be on vacation."

Paul Pierce
Celtics swingman

about an hour.

Rivers doesn't expect major adjustments in the Celtics defense. He does want them to play it more intensely.

"Dwyane Wade's a great player. Give him that. But we're going to defend him and it's going to be tough," Rivers said. "If I can find a guy in the league that can just keep Dwyane Wade in front of him whenever he wants to, we're signing him."

Wade has increased his scoring in each game from 26 to 29 to 34 to 46. He's hit 52 of his 86 shots (60.5 percent) and 13 of 30 of his 3-pointers (43.3 percent). He was at his most accurate on Sunday, hitting 16 of 24 shots and five of seven 3-pointers.

"Shooting 67 percent is the bigger number for us," Rivers said. "The 46 we could live with if it was 25 percent."

And don't forget his average of five rebounds and six assists in the series. But his personal numbers aren't Wade's main focus.

"I don't know if I'm going to score 40 again. I don't know if I'm going to score 14," he said. "My job is to do whatever I can to make sure we win the ballgame."

The Heat dropped the first two in Boston — 85-76 and 106-77 — when they lost their composure for key stretches.

They led the opener by 14 points midway through the third quarter. In Game 2, they allowed a 44-8 surge that turned a 29-25 lead into a 69-37 deficit.

Miami is 1-6 against the Celtics this season but had a solid chance in five of those losses.

"We've shown we're capable of beating them. We just had to go ahead, go out there and finish, complete it," Richardson said. "And now we need to do it again."

He left Sunday's game with a bruised left hand and will play Tuesday night after an MRI showed it wasn't broken.

"We've been measured there mentally more than anything, and, at some point, they've gotten us to break," Miami coach Erik Spoelstra said. "They've been able to control the games, particularly in the fourth quarters. And (Tuesday), we're looking for our breakthrough. It's got to be different."

Boston's Allen hopes it is — at least from the free throw line. He struggled there Sunday despite shooting 91 percent this season.

He hit one free throw with 2:36 left, cutting Miami's lead to 96-92. Then he missed his next three, only the 10th time he's missed that many in his 1,103 games in the regular season and playoffs.

So he did some extra free throw shooting Monday.

"I took about 150. I missed five of them," he said.

If he had made those three on Sunday, or if Wade had missed a few more shots, the series might already be over.

If Miami wins Tuesday, it will continue.

"The world is all about 'what ifs,' " Allen said. "We don't want to be in 'what if' forever. We want to control our destiny."

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Big East

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appropriate.”
The Cardinals’ depth and experience aided in their victory — their second Big East title.
“They have had a terrific year, being ranked somewhere between 10 and 15 most of the season and it showed,” Bayliss said.

The Cardinals jumped to a 1-0 lead early in the match by winning the doubles point in two tightly contested matches at the No. 2 and No. 3 positions.

At No. 2, Notre Dame junior Tyler Davis and sophomore Niall Fitzgerald lost 8-5 to Austen Childs and Viktor Maksimcuk. Davis and Fitzgerald fell behind early, but tied the match at 4-4. Childs and Maksimcuk took four of the next five games for the win to stop the Irish duo’s comeback.

Louisville grabbed the doubles point after the Irish No. 3 pair of juniors David Anderson and Daniel Stahl were defeated by Robert Hall and Chidi Gabriel 8-4. The Cardinals team started with a 4-3 lead that the Irish couldn’t overcome.

The No. 1 doubles match went unfinished after the doubles point had already been won by Louisville. Junior Stephen Havens and sophomore Casey Watt were tied 8-8 with Simon Childs and Alejandro Calligari to go into a tiebreaker. Havens and Watt had been leading 7-5 before Louisville struck back as the match was ended.



QUENTIN STENGER/The Observer

Sophomore Casey Watt serves in a singles competition Sunday. The Irish fell 4-0 to Louisville in the Big East title match.

“We competed hard in doubles and might have won at No. 1, but they were just a little bit too good,” Bayliss said.

Louisville’s success carried into the singles competition, where Anderson first went down 6-3, 6-0 to Andrew Carter at No. 5 singles and Watt fell 6-0, 6-2 to A. Childs at the No. 1 spot.

Notre Dame fought back in the others singles contests with sophomore Samuel Keeton, Havens, Stahl and freshman Blas Moros all extending their matches. Hall’s 6-3, 6-3 defeat over Moros at No. 6 singles gave Louisville the crown. Hall went on to be named the tournament’s Most Outstanding Performer.

With its No. 38 ranking, Notre Dame has a strong chance of playing in the NCAA

Championships for the 19th time in the past 20 seasons with an at-large bid, and Bayliss said he is confident in his team’s chances.

“Now it is all about getting ready for the NAAs and making whatever improvements we can to give us a chance to do some damage there,” Bayliss said. “We find out where we will go next week. There are some areas in which we can gain some ground now that we are away from competition for awhile and this is the time to make those moves.”

The Irish will find out their fate at 5 p.m. on May 4 when the NCAA Division I Tennis Championships Selection Show takes place on ESPNEWS.

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77. The 1-2-3 finish powered the Belles from a five-stroke deficit entering the day to a 28-stroke lead over second-place Olivet heading into the final round. With the Saturday total of 311, Saint Mary’s set a new school and course record for the low score in an MIAA competition.

“It was a great round,” Hamilton said. “[Boyce] had it going. She had a great day.”

The final round of the MIAA qualifier Saturday tested the Belles. Olivet fired a low score of 328, while Saint Mary’s limped to a 348, which was good enough to earn an overall eight-stroke victory.

Matuszak again played well, turning in a round of 81 for the second-best score of the day. O’Connor came in second for Saint Mary’s with an 85 to tie for ninth overall.

“She had a really good round at Blackthorn, and kept it together on Saturday,” Hamilton said. “Consistency-wise she did a great job. She kept us in the game on Saturday.”

Despite the Belles’ struggles Saturday, Hamilton said he was happy with his team’s ability to do what was necessary to pull out the victory.

“We did what we had to do, and whether we win by one stroke or 30 strokes, we

got it done,” he said.
Now that Saint Mary’s has earned a berth in the NCAA championships, they turn their focus to the national competition just after finals.
“It’s tough to stay sharp with finals. I would really like to finish in the top four and bring hardware home,” Hamilton said. “We’ll have to play our best for four days and it’s tough to do, but it’s totally doable.”

Even though the team’s season is not over, Hamilton said he already considers his team’s spring campaign a positive one, especially considering the team’s losses of Martyna Mierzwa and

Emily Gore.
“I’d say this year’s definitely been a success,” he said. “You’d be hard-pressed to find a team that could lose two top players and qualify for the national championship.”

With the NCAA championships looming, Hamilton and the Belles are optimistic about their chances.

“This team is peaking at the right time,” Hamilton said. “We’re looking now for some hardware.”

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SMC TENNIS

Belles close regular season with win

By ANDREW OWENS
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The Belles picked up a strong victory in their final match Monday before the MIAA Championships with an 8-1 victory over Olivet at Michigan State University.

Saint Mary’s (11-8, 4-4 MIAA) has now won the last three conference matches of its regular season, with victories over Bethel and MIAA rival Adrian last week.

“It’s always good to end with a conference win, and we’ve won two in a row now,” Belles coach Dale Campbell said. “We have some momentum leading up to the tournament, which is good.”

The No. 3 doubles duo of junior Jessica Kosinski and freshman Care Rectanus began the day with an 8-2 win over Jenna Baker and Leanne Scudder. Senior captain Camille Gebert and jun-

ior Franca Peluso extended the Belles lead with their 8-2 victory over Olivet’s Celeste Gruber and Kelsey Singer.

Saint Mary’s suffered its first and only loss of the day when No. 1 doubles pair of Jillian Hurley and Mary Therese Lee were defeated by Giana Guerra and Caitlin LaValley 8-3.

The Belles came back in the singles divisions, and let no one stand in their way as they won all six of the singles matches.

At No. 1 singles, Hurley defeated LaValley in a 6-1, 6-2 victory while Lee picked up a 6-0, 6-3 win over Paige Sedgewick at the No. 5 position, with both players giving up only three games in each of their matches.

Gebert won 6-2, 6-2 at No. 2 singles over Guerra in yet another victory for the team leader while Peluso defeated Gruber 6-3, 6-2 at No. 3. At

fourth singles, Kosinski beat Singer in a three set match, 3-6, 6-2, 1-0 (10-7).

Rounding out the singles was junior Monica Way, winning 7-6 (7-5), 6-2 against Baker.

The Belles now turn their attention to the MIAA Championships, which will be held Friday and Saturday at Hope College in Holland, Mich. In preparation for the tournament, Campbell knows where his team needs to keep their focus.

“We have two more practices,” Campbell said. “We need to divide the attention between singles and doubles, work on a few strategic things, and play more aggressively.”

Saint Mary’s enters the tournament ranked fifth behind Calvin, Hope, Kalamazoo and Albion.

“We just need to believe in our shots and our ability to hit the shots we know we need,” Campbell said. “We need to make teams react to us in double as opposed to us reacting to them.”

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seven straight outings out of the bullpen, and he has not issued a walk against 63 consecutive hitters.

Toledo will be a tough non-conference test for the Irish, with a 23-16 record on the season. The Rockets lineup is batting .324 this season and is averaging almost nine runs per game.

But the Toledo staff has not provided the offense with the same support, with a staff ERA of 8.74. Notre Dame could be in for a high-scoring contest against the powerful lineup but weak pitching staff.

First pitch against the Rockets from Frank Eck Stadium will be at 6:05 p.m. today.

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Senior Ryan Connolly has helped in Notre Dame's turnaround this season to bring them up from a 2-7 start.

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doubles teams came out strong, playing solid tennis and pushing the top Irish duo of sophomore Kristy Frilling and senior Kali Krisik to a close 8-6 decision, with Notre Dame ultimately securing the victory.

The Irish clinched the doubles point when freshman Chrissie McGaffigan and junior Kristen Rafael scored a 6-2 win at third doubles.

"Our third team won quickly, which made things easier, and they've been playing well since we put them together," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "But [DePaul's] doubles teams came out really strong, and they were much tougher than the last time we played them, especially their second team."

Several strong singles performances paced the Irish against DePaul, which spent a good portion of the season in the top-25.

Senior Cosmina Ciobanu, whose strong play at fourth singles paced the Irish all season, finished her match against Sandra Zmak first, pulling off a 6-2, 6-1 victory, closely followed by 16th-ranked Frilling winning her match at first singles over 79th-ranked Anna Redesci by the score of 6-1, 6-2, to put the Irish within one point of the title.

The clinching point came from senior Kali Krisik, whose 6-4 6-3 victory over Gia McKnight capped a tournament in which she went a combined 6-0 in singles and doubles matches en route to winning her seventh straight con-



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Senior Kali Krisik earned the final singles point Sunday over DePaul to clinch Notre Dame's third straight Big East title.

test and the Big East Tournament's Most Outstanding Player award.

"It was great because usually the top singles player wins the award, but it was nice for her to get it," Louderback said. "Most of all it was nice to get her back and playing at full health."

The enormity of the feat and the fact that it took place at home made the victory extra special for the Irish squad.

"Playing DePaul for the third time was really tough," Louderback said. "But our kids have been working on playing with poise and to win it at

home was really nice."

The tournament win clinched Notre Dame a place in the NCAA tournament starting May 14. Louderback said he believes the endurance the team showed in the Big East tilt, as well as the potential opportunity to host tournament games in South Bend, gives the Irish a good chance at advancing deep into the tournament.

"Playing three days in a row, which is something we'll have to do in the NCAA's, was something that will really help us prepare," Louderback said.

Notre Dame is in the running to host the NCAA first and second rounds for the second straight year, but will not find out the early-round locations and pairings until early May.

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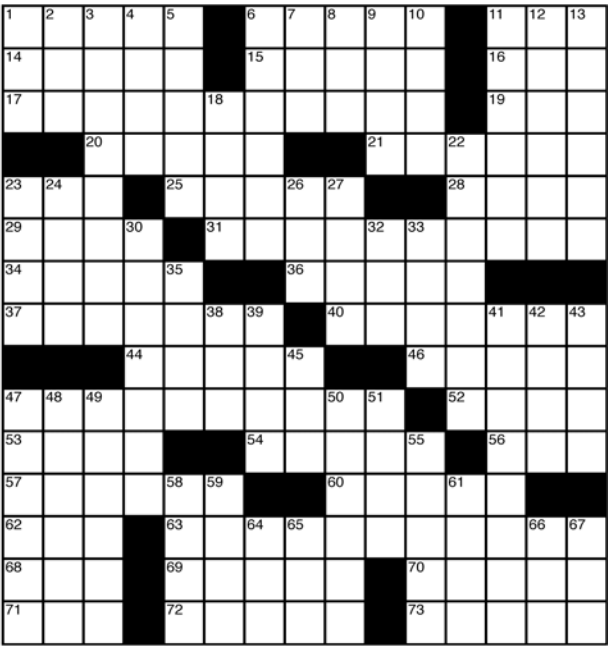
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't let anyone get you down. Be original and build your own pathway to progress and success. It's your ability to be cutting edge that will keep you in the game. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may feel a little impatient and impulsive but that isn't going to help you settle matters of concern. Don't rush into anything that could cause you to lose time and money. A passionate encounter could lead to an irreversible mistake. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll be more interested in social activities and having fun when you should be focusing on getting ahead professionally or scholastically. Money, legal and health issues will all prevail if not taken care of properly. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stifle an emotional situation at home before it has a chance to become uncontrollable. Be cautious about the signals you send. As soon as you let someone get the upper hand, you could get the short end of the stick. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may be at odds with what you should and shouldn't do but don't pass up any opportunity that will bring you greater passion. Travel, learning and expressing your ideas and plans will lead to special benefits. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can make some new contacts by getting involved in a networking event, conference or convention. Show your skills masterfully and you will be recognized and offered opportunities. Change is upon you. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Nothing but your own laziness will stand between you and getting what you want. You can push your ideas and charm people into getting on board with you. Children, creative hobbies and self-improvement projects will all play a role. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Contractors, renovations and domestic purchases will all cost more than you bargain for. You may want to make a few alterations that will save you money and keep you from being swindled. Don't believe everything you hear. ★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be trapped into doing something you never thought you would do. A commitment is apparent that will tie you up in more ways than you imagined. Love and romance are in the stars and can bring you a lot of joy. ★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Get your papers in order and take care of any matters concerning your home, family or property. Be careful not to give information to someone who may use it against you. A lost love will cause you some problems. ★★★

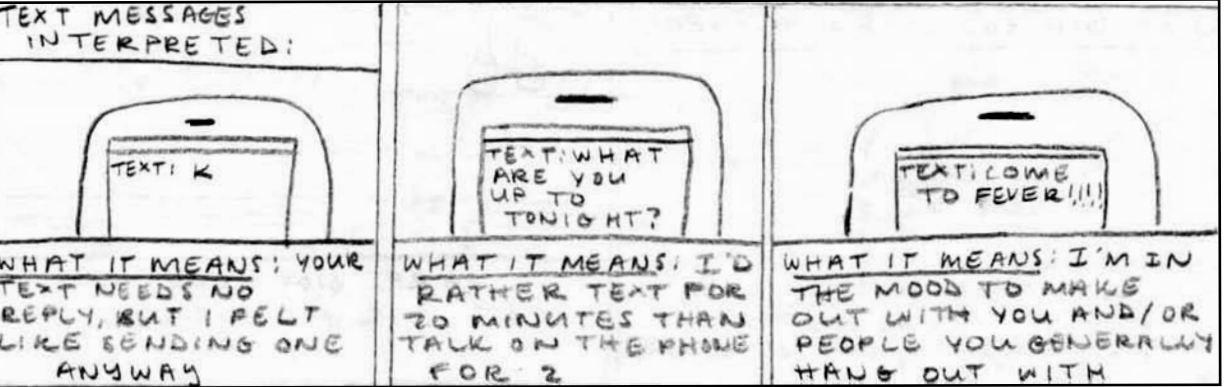
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make some changes at home that suit your needs and you will be able to start a new project to increase your earning potential. A love relationship will grow into something more spectacular than you imagined. You will get the support you need. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't count on a promise. An emotional or personal issue will leave you feeling empty. Don't give in to someone who is trying to get something from you. Once you realize that you can do just as well by yourself you will make gains. ★★

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BASEBALL

Ready for more

Mills, fellow seniors prepared to lead team

By MICHAEL BRYAN
Sports Writer

The Irish will once again look to their seniors to continue their season turn-around today against Toledo, hosting the Rockets after winning their second straight Big East series last weekend against Cincinnati.

Cementing the series win over the Bearcats was senior David Mills, who has led Notre Dame both at the plate and from the mound this season. With the rainy rubber match Sunday tied 4-4 in the bottom of the ninth inning, Mills sliced a pitch from Cincinnati closer Andrew Burkett barely inside the leftfield foul pole to give the Irish a walk-off win.

"He's had some clutch hits," Irish coach Dave Schrage said of Mills. "I don't think you can ask much more of a player. He's done a great job in relief, and now he just continues to get some big hits for us — just having a great season."

The win gave Notre Dame the series win after winning the opener last Friday 5-2. Junior Brian Dupra allowed just two runs in 7 and 1/3 innings to give the Irish their fourth straight win. The



JULIE HERDER/The Observer

Senior David Mills stands ready at the plate against Rutgers in a home game earlier this month. He has been leading the Irish comeback from the plate and the mound.

Bearcats rebounded and held onto a 5-4 victory Saturday to even the series before Mills' heroics Sunday.

After starting the year 2-7 in conference competition, Notre Dame has won five of their last six in the Big East

to climb to seventh in the league standings. While the Irish are three games out of a tie for fourth, their recent success gives the team hope for the Big East tournament.

Seniors, Mills, Ryan Connolly and Casey Martin

have led the team's turnaround, with Mills' versatility standing out. In addition to tying for the team lead with 26 RBIs, Mills has not allowed an earned run in

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SMC GOLF

Belles earn fifth NCAA appearance

By ALLAN JOSEPH and LUKE MANSOUR
Sports Writers

Saint Mary's used an all-around performance Friday at Blackthorn Golf Club and did just enough Saturday at Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course to claim the top overall spot in the MIAA qualifying rounds, earning its fifth trip to the national championships.

The Belles took third to Olivet and Hope this weekend with their score of 348, but a shot total of 992 in the three MIAA contests this spring gives them the bid over Olivet's total of 1,000.

"Those two days couldn't have been any more diametrically opposed," Belles coach Mark Hamilton said. "It's always tough to back up one of your best rounds with another the next day."

Junior Mary Kate Boyce led the Belles Friday, carding a 74 to set an MIAA course record and earn medalist honors in the process. Sophomore Natalie Matuszak finished second overall with a 76 and junior Rosie O'Connor rounded out the top three golfers with a

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish win conference title

By CHRIS ALLEN
Sports Writer

The No. 5 Irish dominated conference play this weekend, defeating West Virginia, Syracuse and DePaul by a combined score of 18-0 to win the Big East Championship trophy at Notre Dame's Courtney Tennis Center. The title was Notre Dame's third straight and 10th in 15 years.

The Irish (22-3) easily defeated lower-ranked foes West Virginia and Syracuse on their way to the title match.

The championship match marked the third time Notre Dame faced the Blue Demons this spring. The Irish won each of the previous meetings 6-1.

In the title match, DePaul's

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Senior Cosmina Ciobanu returns a DePaul serve in an April 16. The Irish defeated the Blue Demons Sunday in the Big East title match.

MEN'S TENNIS

Notre Dame loses Big East championship

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

The Irish fell 4-0 to No. 15 Louisville in a hard-fought Big East title match to end the tournament at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Notre Dame (15-12) missed the opportunity to play in the final round last season. The team now moves to 7-5 all-time in Big East title matches.

"While we did not achieve the clear goal of winning the Big East, I was proud of the way we competed against South Florida in the semifinals to reach the final against Louisville," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said.

The Irish defeated Georgetown 4-0 in the opening round Friday to advance to the semifinals by winning the doubles point and three singles matches without dropping a set. Saturday saw Notre Dame defeat South Florida 4-1 to avenge a loss earlier this season where the Bulls defeated the Irish 4-3.

"Louisville was a different story," Bayliss said. "Despite the 4-0 score, I thought we were in position to win the unfinished matches and make things look more respectable, however, post-season play usually means stopping when the match is clinched, and I think that is

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