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## Crawfords reflect on Desert to Dome journey

*College of Science dean, wife bike 2,200 miles to raise research funds, awareness for neurodegenerative disease*



By SAM STRYKER  
News Writer

When Gregory Crawford, dean of the College of Science, and his wife Renate left Tucson, Ariz., with their final destination 29 days and 2,200 miles away, they knew there would be some long days ahead.

"We biked between six and 11 hours a day," he said. "A shorter day would be 80 miles and the longest day was 120 miles. There was one 60-mile day, but that was in the mountains of New Mexico."

Desert to Dome, the couple's

journey from Arizona to Notre Dame, raised awareness and funding to find a cure for Niemann-Pick Type C, a neurodegenerative disease.

Renate Crawford said efficiency was crucial in planning the trip. It factored into what time they began their journey each day and how they ate meals, which were provided by a support van that rode with them.

"We left really early in the morning. During the hours [on the road] we were handed food," she said. "We were trying to minimize down time."

Gregory Crawford said the amount of physical exertion they

completed each day left them both extremely tired and hungry once they finished the day's trip.

"We ate twice as many calories as we normally do. At the end of the day, we had to update our blog and Skype with our kids," he said. "When you ride for that long, you kind of lie down and crash."

Desert to Dome was not only a personal accomplishment for the Crawfords, it also marked the beginning of a partnership between Notre Dame and the Parseghian Foundation, named for former Irish football coach

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Photos courtesy of Gregory and Renate Crawford

Left, Gregory and Renate Crawford celebrate reaching the Texas milestone of their trip from Arizona to Notre Dame. Right, Gregory Crawford bikes at sunset.

## Students attend Career Expo

By NICOLE TOCZAUER  
News Writer

Abbey Coons remembers attending Notre Dame's Career Expo in 2003, where she secured an internship for General Electric (GE). Now, she's back as a recruiter looking for students with initiative and experience.

"I think companies like GE specifically like Notre Dame's work ethic and integrity," she said. "It really meshes with company values."

Nearly 1,800 students attended the Fall Career Fair Wednesday at the Joyce Athletics and Convocation Center to scout out summer internships and post-graduate jobs from 140 companies — just as Coons once did.

To prepare for the Career Fair, many students took advantage of the services at the Career Center in Flanner Hall.

"There have been many students even early in the year," said Laura Flynn, assistant director at



MACKENZIE SAIN/The Observer

Students meet with recruiters from 140 companies at the Fall Career Expo on Wednesday.

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## Indiana excise police meet with community

By ANNA BOARINI  
News Writer

When the Indiana State Excise police were founded during prohibition 97 years ago, they were known as the "liquor police."

Now, they still handle alcohol-related cases, but one of their main goals is to make their presence known within the community, master officer Michelle Traugher said at a community relations meeting Wednesday.

The University's Office of Community Relations held a meeting with the excise police in downtown South Bend not to discuss a recent spike in alcohol-related arrests, but to learn more about the excise police and their place in the community.

The force, which works to provide support to local task forces and special investiga-

tion units, employs 90 officers who cover six districts across the state.

The excise police run the Fatal Alcohol Crash Team, which assists at accident scenes involving alcohol. They also assist at DUI checkpoints, investigate private areas of alcohol establishments and issue permits to individuals and businesses that sell alcohol.

One of their main goals, however, is to make their presence known in areas of the community where offenses become a major problem as a deterrent to violators.

"If people don't fear being arrested, they will continue to break the law," Traugher said.

After the presentation was over, Traugher opened the floor to questions, at which point the topic turned to the

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MYTHICAL CREATURE?



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*freshman  
McGlinn*

*“Fairies.”*



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*freshman  
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*“The Basilisk.”*



Kevin Dunne

*sophomore  
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*“My roommate,  
Mike Mellitt.”*



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*“Harry Potter.”*



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Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail [observer.questions@gmail.com](mailto:observer.questions@gmail.com)



TOM LA/The Observer

Students and faculty give blood in the LaFortune Ballroom Wednesday at the semi-annual blood drive sponsored by Notre Dame ROTC and the Red Cross Club.

## OFFBEAT

### Ky. farmer claims some corn popped on the stock

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ky. – A Hardin County farmer said that some ears among his feed corn rows popped on the stalk in a phenomenon that agricultural experts believe is associated with irregular rainfall and high heat.

Star Mills farmer Patrick Preston sent a photo of the burst kernels that look like partially popped popcorn to the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service.

Hardin County Extension agent Doug Shepherd told The News Enterprise he’s never seen popped kernels

before.

Shepherd said the outer coat of a kernel can explode from heat after the ears are pollinated. Temperatures in corn fields can be 10 degrees higher than in the surrounding area as the plants are producing energy.

### Suspect’s haircut leads to his arrest

SEATTLE – A woman who was robbed of \$310 while sitting at a Seattle traffic light gave police a detailed description of the man who stuck a gun in her open window.

He had “GET MONEY” shaved into the hair on one side of his head. He

also had “GET” tattooed on his right hand and “MONEY” on his left hand.

The Seattle pi.com reports a detective searched records using the tattoo information and identified a suspect who was later pulled over by a patrol officer in the Lake City neighborhood.

His “GET MONEY” haircut and tattoos matched, and 18-year-old Larry Shawn Taylor was identified by the victim in the Aug. 23 robbery.

Now, he’s held in the King County Jail for investigation of robbery.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

Notre Dame ROTC and the American Red Cross are sponsoring a blood drive today at noon in the LaFortune Student Center Ballroom

Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream” will be performed by Actors from the London Stage at Washington Hall at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Tickets are \$12 for students and available at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center ticket office or by visiting [performingarts.nd.edu](http://performingarts.nd.edu).

Apple National Consulting Engineer Steve Hayman will discuss and demonstrate how individuals and institutions are building innovative mobile applications for the iPhone and iPod Touch. It will take place at 3:00 p.m. in 105 Jordan Hall of Science.

The Snite Museum of Art will host the exhibit: “Parallel Currents: Highlights of the Ricardo Pau-Llosa Collection of Latin American Art” today from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. today in the O’Shaughnessy West Gallery. The collection features contemporary Latin American artworks from the collection of Ricardo Pau-Llosa.

John Matthias will perform his poem-drama “Ballet Mecanique,” with the voices of Joyelle McSweeney and Stephen Fredman and image and sound by Chris Jara in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium tonight at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to [obsnews.nd@gmail.com](mailto:obsnews.nd@gmail.com)

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## STUDENT SENATE

# Senate pushes for service website

By MEGAN DOYLE  
News Writer

The Student Senate unanimously passed a resolution at their meeting Wednesday proposing [serve.nd.edu](http://serve.nd.edu), a website to centralize information about service opportunities both on campus and in the local community for Notre Dame students.

"The goal for this resolution is to take the first step in the longer process of trying to clarify service opportunities at Notre Dame," social concerns chair Pat McCormick said.

McCormick said the Center for Social Concerns (CSC) and student government want to reach out to people who do not have a direct link to some of the possible volunteer activities.

The University's mission statement calls for a concern for common good, and therefore, a commitment to service, the resolution said.

"We have some of the greatest opportunities for service of any college or university in the country," McCormick said. "But people are not always getting involved outside of what they hear about through their friends."

The resolution said a listing such as [serve.nd.edu](http://serve.nd.edu) "has the potential to significantly increase involvement in service on campus and in the community."

The website would centralize scattered information as well as



Chief of staff Nick Ruof, left, and student body vice president Andrew Bell lead discussion about a new service website.

"bridge the gap between University events and community events," McCormick said.

"I think if a lot of people miss signing up for something during Activities Night, then they do not know how to get involved," Badin Hall senator Ellen Carroll said. "I think this is a great idea."

The Committee for Social Concerns is working with the CSC, student government, service organizations and the Office of Information Technologies to determine the mechanics of the [serve.nd.edu](http://serve.nd.edu) site, McCormick said.

McCormick said students and service organizations would also be able to post information about the entire spectrum of available volunteer opportuni-

ties.

"This website would not be just a laundry list of service opportunities," McCormick said. "It will clarify the layout of service opportunities on campus."

Cavanaugh Hall senator Tegan Chapman said ensuring information is current would be the biggest challenge in maintaining the website.

Other websites like [rent.nd.edu](http://rent.nd.edu) do not always provide up-to-date information, Chapman said.

McCormick said the only way [serve.nd.edu](http://serve.nd.edu) would follow its goals would be if the administrators were able to provide current calendars.

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# College's jazz concert to benefit non-profit

By LUCIE GORDON  
News Writer

Saint Mary's students and faculty looking to jazz up their fall schedules are in luck tonight.

A jazz benefit concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the O'Laughlin Auditorium. Proceeds from the performance will benefit Children of Abraham, a nonprofit organization that sends medical supplies to impoverished countries around the world.

Children of Abraham has provided more than \$60 million in aid to medical clinics and hospitals serving the "poorest of the poor," said David Schrader, vice president of the Board of Directors for Children of Abraham.

The organization aids 29 nations, and its most recent efforts have primarily focused on assisting Haiti.

In addition to providing aid to countries in need, Children of Abraham aims to unite different religious groups in communities.

"Muslims have paid for shipments to Christian hospitals, and vice versa. Jews and Muslims have worked together to provide for relief in Haiti through a Christian organization," said Schrader.

Christopher Sallak, patron services and marketing manager for Saint Mary's, said the

concert will be another opportunity for Saint Mary's students to continue their history of serving the community and those in need.

"Partnering with Children of Abraham for this benefit concert is a great opportunity for our student body to support another faith-based organization and their recent work in Haiti," Sallak said.

Tonight's concert will feature music by popular jazz artists Bryan Lubeck, David Wells and the Jim Pickley Trio.

Lubeck, a Latin guitarist, is featured on WNUA 95.5 radio in Chicago. His album "Acoustic Vineyard," released in 2004, blends his Latin guitar with an urban-sounding band, creating a more modern sound.

On the flugelhorn and trumpet, Wells released eight CDs and has been featured in Christian music magazines. He has also appeared on the BET Station's show "Studio Jams".

The Jim Pickley Trio, which plays every Sunday at a Michiana church, has been performing for more than 20 years.

"Children of Abraham should be supported because we save lives. Simple as that," said Schrader.

Tickets are \$10 for students and \$15 for faculty members.

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## Who has the greater ethical obligation?

The financial crisis that began in 2008 reminded us of the power of the market in our lives. We live now with a global market that has brought new prosperity to some and disrupted the lives and livelihood of others. The crisis also reminded us that there is a moral dimension to the marketplace.

In this year's Notre Dame Forum, entitled "The Global Marketplace and the Common Good," we will explore the power of the market and look at moral dimensions.

Rather than will be a year-on the role of and morals in and reshaping economy.



a single event, it long discussion ethics, values, the rebuilding of the global

*New York Times*

columnist Thomas Friedman will highlight the schedule with an appearance on Nov. 3. In addition, the 2010-11 forum will feature a series of events and perspectives that aim to engage the whole campus in an ongoing dialogue.

I hope you will all join me in making this year's forum a vigorous and rewarding experience.

In Notre Dame,

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## Upcoming Events

Thursday, Oct. 21	JD Lawrence Presents Me & Mrs. Jones Stage Play	Friday, Nov. 12	Rodney Carrington <i>"Laughter's Good Tour"</i> For Mature Audiences
Saturday, Oct. 23	South Bend Symphony James Dapogny's Chicago Jazz Band	Saturday, Nov. 13	John Mellencamp <i>"No Better Than This Tour"</i>
Saturday, Oct. 30	Mike Epps & Friends	Saturday, Nov. 20	South Bend Symphony <i>"Music from the Heart"</i>
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## Priests, students meet to pray, discuss vocation

By CALIE MOHAMED  
News Writer

Fr. Pat Reidy, a 2008 Notre Dame graduate who recently joined the priesthood, spent Wednesday night with undergraduates who might be considering the same calling.

Corby Night, held in Corby Hall, was an evening of prayer and conversation between current priests and men considering priesthood on campus.

Reidy said the night would give men considering priesthood the opportunity to talk in a comfortable setting within a community that shares a similar understanding and mission.

Reidy said he was strongly influenced as an undergraduate by Fr. Jim King, his former rector in Sorin College who told him, "If you're discerning the religious life, just try it."

The night began with a welcoming by many of the priests in the Holy Cross Seminary. A night prayer service followed, during which Fr. Matt Kuczora delivered a homily about his reasons for becoming a priest.

The event concluded with a chance for those interested in

any aspect of vocation to have a friendly meet and greet with priests from all over campus.

There was no pressure to commit, but the night was meant to "simply let people know of the different opportunities on campus that might help them in discerning how God is calling them to live," said Fr. Ralph Haag, rector of St. Edward's Hall.

He said he hoped Corby Night would help men move in the direction that God wishes for them to serve, whether or not that includes the priesthood.

Kuczora said the priests shared moving stories and reasons for their unique lifestyle, which were meant to help men who attended Corby Night discern their own feelings. The priests encouraged anyone who even slightly feels God's calling to come and be assisted by a welcoming community.

Holy Cross Seminary offers many programs for anyone interested in vocation. For a list of upcoming events and seminary news, visit [www.vocation.nd.edu](http://www.vocation.nd.edu)

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## Colo. wildfires run rampant



A man stands outside of his ruined home in Boulder, Colo. Authorities say more than 130 homes have been destroyed in the fires. AP

Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo.— A wildfire burning in the canyons and steep mountainsides near Boulder became one of the most destructive blazes in Colorado history Wednesday as authorities determined it had destroyed at least 135 homes in just three days.

Authorities provided the dire assessment as firefighters encountered a tangle of rattlesnakes, downed power lines and combustible propane tanks and struggled to get an upper hand on the inferno.

The Boulder County sheriff's office said Wednesday that 135 homes have been destroyed — a toll likely to rise as the blaze rages on and firefighters get a clearer picture of the damage.

About 3,500 people have been evacuated from about 1,000 homes stemming from a fire that broke out in a parched area near of Boulder on Monday. Residents of four neighborhoods will be allowed to return home Thursday morning. It wasn't clear how many homes that involves.

Four people remain missing as some residents have stayed behind and risked their lives to try to save their homes.

No deaths or injuries have been reported at this point, and the cause of the fire was not known.

The fire west of Boulder is not large in terms of size — only about 6,200 acres, or about 10 square miles. But it struck in a populated area that inflicted major property damage.

The reported loss of homes surpasses that of the 2002 Hayman fire in southern Colorado that was the most destructive in the state's history. That fire destroyed 133 homes and 466 outbuildings over 138,000 acres in a more sparsely populated area that includes national forest land.

Todd Martin, incident commander, told a crowd of about

600 at a public meeting Wednesday night in Boulder that it has cost \$2.1 million so far to fight the fire.

Firefighters took advantage of cooler temperatures and light rain to attack the wildfire Wednesday but authorities acknowledged they still don't have a good handle of the blaze. Fire officials scheduled a meeting night on the University of Colorado campus to update the community.

"We just don't have control of the fire," Sheriff's Cmdr. Rick Brough said Wednesday afternoon as some rain began falling over the fire area.

Air tankers dumped 35,000 gallons of fire retardant on the blaze and crews began building containment lines on the eastern side of the fire. The large plume of smoke the fire had been producing since it started has dissipated because of the favorable weather. However, the fire was still actively burning and threatening structures, forcing some deputies doing an inventory of the damage to retreat.

Fire managers said as many as 500 firefighters and support personnel are at the fire and more are on the way. Laura McConnell, spokeswoman for the management team, said crews are dealing with downed power lines, debris, poison ivy and rattlesnakes. They also have to be watchful for propane tanks in the area.

Brough said the conditions make it too dangerous for anxious residents to return to check on their homes. The fire has also destroyed at least four outbuildings and damaged at least 12 homes, according to a list released by the Boulder County sheriff's office.

At the Colorado Mountain Ranch, 60-year-old Mike Walker has been making a stand against the fire with his wife and 25-year-old daughter in a desperate effort to save the children's summer camp and outdoor recreation center

they operate.

"He's safe, he's up there," said Walker's 19-year-old daughter Rose, who evacuated. "He just won't leave. We never doubted where he was, he just won't leave for anybody."

Rose Walker said her father, mother and sister are trying everything to save their ranch, with her father using a tractor to scoop up flames away from structures, "literally dragging the fire away from the buildings." On Wednesday, Rose Walker said her family were still at their ranch, using rakes and backpacks filled with water and a hose to put out any hot spots.

Fire conditions were expected to worsen Thursday night into Friday and the risk of any new fires quickly spreading was high along the populated Front Range region, according to the National Weather Service.

Seven of the country's 19 heavy air tankers have been sent to Colorado to fight the blaze, considered the nation's top firefighting priority. Two more have been dispatched to the fire, said Ken Frederick, spokesman for the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho.

Families like the Walkers have been carrying out their own fight against the fire.

Firefighters have been supplying them with water when they can and Rose Walker said she's been crossing into the fire zone to bring her family food and supplies, although authorities have been reluctant to let her come up to the ranch.

Despite her family's efforts, 35 structures have burned, including the family's home, sheds, barns and work areas, Rose Walker said. It's not clear if those are among the total structures that authorities have already confirmed have burned.

"It's everything to us. It's home, it's our work, it's our life," Rose Walker said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Barbeque

One of my various summer expeditions this summer was to check out a few concerts, pretty college, I know. One of those concerts featured a band called Animal Liberation Orchestra, better known as ALO, who opened for Jack Johnson. One of their songs, "Barbeque," inspired me to adopt a new perspective on life. Although its lyrics are slightly different from the message I took away, it is a refreshing outlook.

As cheesy as it might sound, it is rather simple: Live life like it's a barbecue. The essentials: Surround yourself with family, friends, good music and delicious food and beverages.

Do you know anyone who does not enjoy a summer barbecue? Show me that person and I will show you an individual whose life is nothing but miserable.

Most people might respond to my new credo with the thought, "Well I do that already."

Well, what I'm saying, is to go out of your way to make this happen.

Tell your supervisor that you cannot work on the weekend because you have planned a gathering with your friends. Even if you have not, plan it. Turn the television off, put your textbook down and just sit, listen and enjoy music. Truly experience it.

Call your grandparents, uncle, aunt or long-distance cousin. Ask them how they have been. Care about what they have to say.

Go online and find a recipe for a dish you've never cooked before, flip to a random page in the phonebook under "restaurants" and go there. Choose an item on the menu at your favorite eatery that you've never tried before. Experiment with "dining hall innovations." My new favorite? A buffalo chicken wrap.

Now, I'm only 19 years old, and I feel like every time I sit down to write a column I end up trying to dish out wisdom. I know I don't have the answer to how to live a happy life.

But I think the "barbecue" lifestyle is an excellent paradigm to work with, "summer state of mind," if you will. We all enjoy friends, family, music, and food. But sometimes we care so much about everything else going on in our lives that we introvert ourselves so much that we never truly enjoy these life essentials.

So, to quote ALO, "welcome to your barbecue, pig out and dream anew."

*The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.*

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Matthew Robison

Sports Production Editor

# You can always have a do-over

Isn't it funny how the new school year isn't even three full weeks old and already it doesn't feel all that new anymore? Remember when you used to have to check your schedule to find out which class you had next, or even (when no one was looking) a map to find out how to get to whichever class you had next? Guess what? That was only about 10 days ago. It's amazing how, in such a short time, you become familiar with the unfamiliar, and it feels like you've been here forever. Maybe, even this early in the semester, you've already had the chance to experience the slippery slope. Have you skimped on the last few chapters of a reading assignment because everyone was going out? Sliiip. Studied a whole afternoon less than you should have because someone texted you from the quad with a Frisbee? Sliiip. Perhaps drank more than you intended to celebrate our victory over Purdue? Sliiip. We can ignore the sound of ourselves sliding down that slippery slope, but if we do, we'll lose the opportunity to put the brakes on, to right ourselves and get back on track, to make sure the direction we're headed is really where we want to go.

Perhaps you heard before you came here, "Oh, college is a chance for new beginnings! It's a fresh start! Make the most of it!" All of which is true. So, given the opportunity for a fresh start, in a new place, with new friends, new classes, where no one knows that in high school you were a geek, or a party

animal, or a soccer player, or the valedictorian, or whatever ... have you made the most of it? Certainly none of us came here thinking, "I'm so excited to go to Notre Dame. I can start out my career here as a really heavy drinker!" or, "Can't wait 'til college so I can sleep in and miss my 8:00 class!" or, "I bet I'll meet some guys down the hall and spend all my time playing Halo 3 with them instead of getting involved on campus!" But have we found ourselves in a place we never expected to be and can't quite figure out how we got there?

Rest assured you're not the first person ever to experience the slippery slope phenomenon. You recognize the expression simply because it's been a part of the human condition since Eve said, "OK; well, just this once." Entire crowds of people have been sliding for thousands of years — remember Moses and the Israelites in the desert? Moses and his people have met the Lord in smoke and thunder; they've received the teachings of the Ten Commandments (including the specific directive not to create idols), and while Moses is away on the mountain, his own brother Aaron helps the people make a golden calf to worship. Sliiip — it's oh so easy to lose your focus on what's most important in life. Moses begs God for mercy, and gathers around himself those willing to commit to re-focusing, to a fresh start with the Lord.

Fresh starts are tougher than advertised. They're a bit more work than we'd like to admit; we really have to pray hard and think and examine who we want to be. We're

not always willing to make the time and to take the mental energy required to do so, and lots of distractions eat away at our days and nights. However, even if the start of this year doesn't feel so fresh to you any more, there's always time for a do-over. Make your own new way; be the person you can be proud to be; never forget what the people you admire most have taught you. Notre Dame can truly be a place where you will feel most like the person God created you to be, not the least bit lost at all, and ready to navigate any unfamiliar territory that comes your way.

Moses approached the Lord to ask for a fresh start after his people had lost their way, and in the 3,000 or so years since then, the Bible describes many more instances in which individuals or peoples get caught slipping off track without even realizing it until they discover they're in quite alien territory, a place they never meant to be. Yet our God seeks the lost sheep; searches for the lost coin; rejoices with the father whose prodigal son has returned. With compassion, mercy and joy, God will walk with each one of us who looks to him for direction — through the word of God and the sacraments of the Church — and who earnestly seeks to become the person we're meant to be.

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## EDITORIAL CARTOON



## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"A hero is no braver than an ordinary man, but he is braver five minutes longer."*

Ralph Waldo Emerson  
U.S. poet

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Where so many hours have been spent in convincing myself that I am right, is there not some reason to fear I may be wrong?"*

Jane Austen  
English novelist

# Co-ex's more than just food

**Emily Schmitt**  
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# COMMEMORATING 9-11 FOR DUMMIES

REBUILD THE TOWERS

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By COURTNEY COX  
Scene Writer

Sunday night may not be the best time for a concert two hours away, especially when the day before was the season opener of the beloved Notre Dame football team. All of that didn't matter whatsoever when I found out there was a Vampire Weekend concert at the Aragon Ballroom in Chicago.

The Dum Dum Girls opened, and I was surprised by how much I liked them based only on a live first impression. Dressed in tight black minidresses and fishnet tights, they definitely give off an alpha female vibe and a no-nonsense attitude with their catchy pop rock.

The second opener was Beach House. Having seen them this summer at Pitchfork, I was excited to see them again. Their borderline ethereal repertoire of songs was

pleasantly matched with a light show that made it look as if the entire venue was under water. They also took the opportunity to use the disco ball located in the center of the ceiling

above the crowd. It created the illusion of tiny stars glittering on the ceiling painted as the night sky. The lights were by no means the reason Beach House was incredible, however. They were just as good live as they were on their latest album, "Teen Dream" — not to be confused with Katy Perry's "Teenage Dream." "Norway" was more breathy when played live, which enhanced the otherworldly sense that already comes from the track. They were a perfect opener for the insanity that was about to begin.

For some reason, I am a fan of bands that come out to a crazy pump up song, and Vampire Weekend didn't disappoint. At approximately 9:25 p.m., Vampire Weekend rushed on the stage to DJ Khaled's "All I Do Is Win." The crowd went crazy and the energy didn't ever slow down from that point. Drummer Chris Tomson came to play for Chicago dressed in a Ben Gordon Bulls jersey. All of the band members were enthusiastic and seemed to be enjoying themselves, but Tomson especially brought the energy

that made the show so great.

The band started with "Holiday" from their sophomore album "Contra," and it was fantastic, but the reaction to "Holiday" was

singing, and quite a bit of dancing.

The first single off of "Contra," "Cousins," was one of the highlights of the show. The

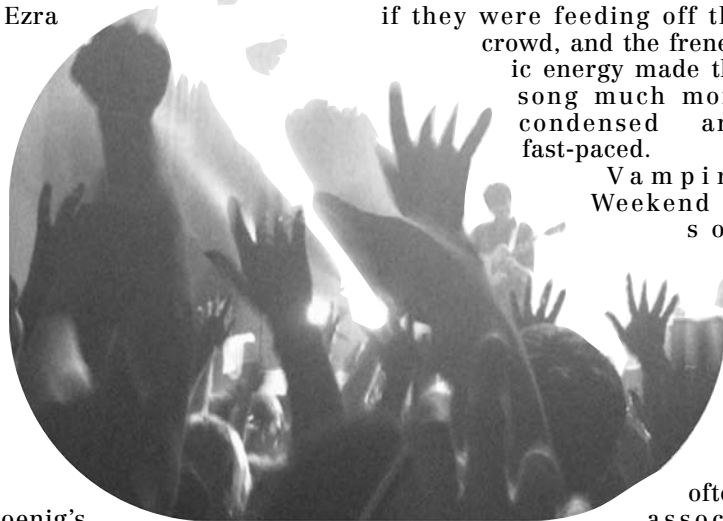
ceived that way, and they embrace it to some extent. The two songs are a much edgier and cooler representation of preppy than say, a mom's cable knit sweater.

# Vampire Weekend

## Proves More than Preppy at Chicago Concert



clearly dwarfed by the reaction from the crowd upon hearing the second song of the night, "Cape Cod Kwassa Kwassa." Ezra



Koenig's calm singing was juxtaposed entirely by the crowd of people practically screaming the lyrics back at him. The rest of the concert can be described in the same way, a lot of screaming,

short song was packed with such intensity that it took me by surprise. While the song had always been fast paced, it seemed more so live than it did on the album. It was almost as if they were feeding off the crowd, and the frenetic energy made the song much more condensed and fast-paced.

Vampire Weekend is so

often associated with a collegiate, preppy image, and the pairing of "Oxford Comma" and "Campus" near the end of the show brought out that image in a way that showed they know why they're per-

After they announced their last song, the band left the stage and during the wait for an encore, the entire crowd seemed unable to handle the anticipation. At first, I was concerned the entire floor seemed to be shaking, but it turned out to be my fellow concert-goers stomping their feet rapidly on the ground, trying to keep up their energy for Vampire Weekend's final moments onstage.

The show ended with "a song about a boy leaving Cape Cod" as Koenig stated. "Walcott" was more rousing than the rest of the songs in the set, in part because it was the final song, but also in part because it's about movement. It's about leaving the boundaries of tradition as witnessed at the Cape, and in many ways that's what Vampire Weekend does. They break the accepted norms of indie rock aesthetic and they break the stereotypes about how Ivy Leaguers should act.

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By SHANE STEINBERG  
Scene Writer

Written, produced, directed, marketed and starring the sad, strange, self-indulgent Tommy Wiseau, "The Room" is a cinematic trainwreck of epic proportions.

As a film it succeeds in nothing, fails at everything, and somehow crosses the threshold of being on the level bad made-for-TV-movie. It skips over the rarely chartered waters of M. Night Shyamalan in "The Happening" and settles into its own level of true suckiness.

It isn't atrocious. It isn't appallingly terrible. It isn't any one of the contrived one-liners that are so often recycled when tearing an awful movie to shreds. No, neither Webster's dictionary nor

Many of the lines in the movie are dubbed, with the sound often not matching the actors' mouth movements. Several shots are so poorly handled that they cut off the heads of the actors and two separate sex scenes use

tragedy, in that it's tragically awful. At the heart of the "plot" is a love triangle made up of Johnny (Wiseau), his girlfriend, Lisa, (Juliette Danielle in a role that should be her last), and Johnny's best friend, Mark (Greg

to make "The Room" into a feature-length film. The rumor goes that his script was so nonsensical that no one in Hollywood gave him a penny.

So the \$7 million it took to make the film remains just as mysterious as the film's title itself. Really, is it called "The Room" because it mostly takes place in the living room? Given Wiseau's attempt to make the film into a romantic epic, it's highly doubtful he aimed so low in choosing the film's

blatant title. Despite the film's atrociousness, in the years following the film's original 2003 showing, "The Room" has amassed a cult following that has propelled the movie into late-night showings and the pages of Entertainment Weekly. Now it draws the title of "the Citizen Kane of bad movies."

Every once in a while, a film comes along that simply astounds, leaves the audience unable to utter words as the end credits roll across the darkened screen, and that film likely goes on to win Best Picture awards.

Even rarer is the brand of film that takes itself seriously, yet fails in every possible way, in the process crossing over from truly awful to unbelievably hilarious because of just how bad it is.

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# THE ROOM: The "Citizen Kane" of Bad Movies

Urbandictionary.com has a word that quite sums it up, because "The Room" is beyond "bad." So, just how beyond bad is it?

The line "don't worry about it" is said 14 times in the film and a variation of "Johnny is your best friend" is said 10 times.

To make matters worse, numerous actors are randomly introduced in seemingly important roles but never even named nor given any real purpose in the film, such as when a couple is caught inexplicably having sex in Wiseau's character's apartment and nothing is ever said about it.

What Wiseau has self-crafted here is like a Shakespearian

Sestero, who might be the one passable actor in the entire film).

Along the way we meet various other characters, most of whom are never named or have no discernable purpose being in the film. For example, there's Denny, Johnny's creepy neighbor, who is almost killed by a drug dealer in yet another plot thread that is abandoned.

There's also the nameless psychologist who just sits there looking awkward for half a scene only to start talking to Johnny as though he's known him forever. Add to that Lisa's mother, who appears in three scenes and says the same lines over and over, while having her face cut off by Wiseau's masterful cinematography.

The story behind the film is that Wiseau originally made "The Room" as a novel and play. After failing to get an audience for it, he decided to raise funds





# Weekend Events Calendar

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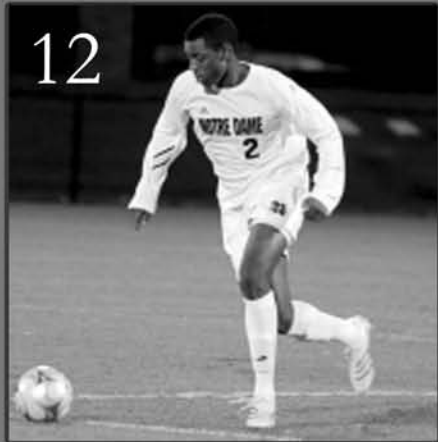
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**'Micmacs'**  
**Browning Cinema, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m.**

Writer-Director Jean-Pierre Jeunet captured American audiences with "Amélie," but his latest film portrays a different type of story. The 2009 French film "Micmacs" satirizes the weapons industry as it follows Basil, a man seeking revenge for his father's death by landmine when Basil was a child. Along the way, he encounters colorful, quirky misfits characteristic of a Jeunet film. For fans of the whimsical, charming stories and characters prevalent in Jeunet films, "Micmacs" is playing at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. in DPAC's Browning Cinema.

**Rage for the Stage**  
**Washington Hall, 8 p.m.**

Do you love theater thrown together at the last minute? Sponsored by Student Players, Rage for the Stage puts on a play in under 24 hours. The pieces are written all night Thursday, rehearsed Friday morning and performed Friday night at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall. Known for being one of the most fun theater events of the year, go, watch and be amazed at the fast, creative minds of fellow Notre Dame students who manage to put together a whole show in such a short period of time.

**Top 40 Nightclub**  
**Legends, midnight**

Brush off your fatigue from standing all day at the Notre Dame-Michigan game, and put on your dancing shoes. If you are someone who likes to know every song playing and every word to those songs, the Top 40 Nightclub at Legends is the place to be at midnight. If you haven't already lost your voice from screaming at the game, you definitely will after belting out the familiar, radio-friendly hits and dancing it up until 4 in the morning.

**Men's Soccer**  
**Alumni Stadium, 2 p.m.**

Still missing the World Cup from this summer? Notre Dame has more than one type of football team, and this one is actually ranked. The 18th-ranked men's soccer team takes on California Polytechnic State University at 2 p.m. in Alumni Stadium as part of the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament. Even if you still can't get into soccer, cheering on your classmates on a Sunday afternoon is a much better reason for procrastinating than repeatedly checking Facebook.

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**Fridays**

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# Cardinals' Fitzgerald ready to face Rams

Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — Larry Fitzgerald is back in practice and, even in a knee brace, will provide new quarterback Derek Anderson a welcome big-play target when the Arizona Cardinals open the season Sunday in St. Louis.

Fitzgerald has started all 92 games, plus each of Arizona's eight postseason contests, since he came into the NFL, and he and his coach have every intention of keeping that streak intact.

"He was moving along just fine," coach Ken Whisenhunt said after Wednesday's practice, Fitzgerald's second of the week. "He is progressing very well. I know he's ready to play because it's been tough for him to watch the last two weeks."

Fitzgerald sat out the final three preseason games after spraining his right knee on a nasty hit from Houston's Eugene Wilson in Arizona's preseason opener Aug. 14. The injury occurred as Fitzgerald caught a pass over the middle from Matt Leinart. Fitzgerald stayed in for another series and reciprocated a big hit on Wilson, then left the game.

Fitzgerald said that the coaching staff insisted on a cautious approach to his injury.

"I wanted to go earlier," he said, "but they kept holding me out and I think that was good. Injured, you can be worst enemy sometimes."

Fitzgerald enters his seventh NFL season acknowledged as among the top receivers in the game. Now, though, he must adjust to the absence of fellow standout receiver Anquan Boldin and, most significantly, quarterback Kurt Warner. Boldin was traded to Baltimore and Warner retired.

No matter, Fitzgerald said.

"I've got to continue to raise my level of play," he said. "No matter what's going on around me, I have to go out there and do my job and win and be somebody that my teammates can count on to make plays for them, week in and week out. That's what I pride myself on."

Fitzgerald was elected one of the offense's captains for the second year in a row.

"I'm honored to have that," he said. "I just want to make sure I'm carrying the flag positively every single week and doing the things a captain should do."

*"He is progressing very well. I know he's ready to play because it's been tough for him the last two weeks."*

**Ken Whisenhunt**  
Cardinals coach

Fitzgerald seems comfortable in the leadership role in what he has said could be the mid-point of his career. Once shy of the press, he is exceedingly accommodating these days. Back from his annual overseas summer trip, this one to Asia, he gave 2-year-old son Devin rides on his Segway after training camp workouts. The two also were fixtures courtside at Phoenix Suns games.

Maturation, he said, "is just something that happens" with time.

He emphatically denied rumors that he had urged the coaches to go with Anderson over Leinart, who was released by the team Saturday and has signed with Houston.

"I want to clear the air on that one," Fitzgerald said. "I had nothing to do with that. Somebody told me I was pulling for Derek. I've never taken a snap with Derek, so how can I vouch for a man that I haven't even played with. ... I think it's unfair to point (to) me as somebody that would do that. I just want to win. I believe in coach Whisenhunt and what he's done here over the years."

"Your job is not to talk in the media or have an opinion. It's your job to go out there and produce and do what you're asked to do."

Fitzgerald must make an adjustment from Warner, one of the best touch passers in NFL history, to the rocket arm of Anderson.

"We play receiver," he said. "If it comes hard, we've got to catch it. If it comes soft, we've got to catch it. If it's high, we've got to catch it. If it's low, we've got to catch it. It's part of our job description. As long the ball's coming my way, you're never going to hear me complain."

The ball has come his way more than often, with spectacular results, since he was drafted No. 3 overall as a 19-year-old out of the University of Pittsburgh.

In week 15 of last season, he became the youngest player in NFL history — at 26 years, 111 days — to reach 7,000 yards receiving. Since 2005, he has more receptions (465) and yards receiving (6,287) than anyone else in the league. In the playoffs two years ago, he shattered most receiving records.

# Morneau expects to return

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Justin Morneau hasn't played in a game in more than two months, and it's been difficult for him to watch his Minnesota Twins slug through a pennant race without him — in more ways than one.

Morneau said on Wednesday that he is still optimistic that he will eventually return from his concussion to help out in 2010, even though he still can't sit in the dugout to watch a full nine innings.

"To keep the symptoms down they say to limit the stress," Morneau said with a sheepish shrug.

Easier said than done for a player as competitive as Morneau, the 2006 AL MVP and one of the pillars of the Twins clubhouse. He went on the disabled list after taking a knee to the head while sliding into second base in a game against the Toronto Blue Jays on July 7.

He took some batting practice in August and has sat in the dugout for some games at Target Field, but doctors have advised him to take it slowly in those stressful activities to expedite the recovery process.

"We're late in the game, it's more wanting to be out there," Morneau said. "We got a tie game or we're up by one and we've got runners on base, you're sitting there wanting to be out there. The adrenaline starts going and you start thinking about what you would do in that situation. We're just trying to limit that stuff. That's part of it."

Morneau hasn't played since and is still feeling symptoms from the concussion. But he did say he is "having more good days than bad" this week.

"It comes and goes. The last couple days I've felt pretty good and been really encouraged," he said. "It's going to take a few days like that. It's not going to be just one or two where I can all of a sudden go out there and play. I have to feel like myself."

His return sure would be a boost to the Twins, who have surged to the top of the AL Central even without their slugger in the



Justin Morneau prepares to throw in a game earlier this season. The first baseman has been out for two months after suffering a concussion.

lineup. Michael Cuddyer has moved from right field to first base and filled in admirably and the Twins led the Chicago White Sox by 4½ games when the day started on Wednesday.

It's the second straight September that Morneau has been forced to watch from the bench. He missed the final three weeks of last season and the playoffs with a back injury.

"Being in here after the game and seeing everybody excited, it's tough for me to be around that," Morneau said. "As good as it is to see it, it's definitely hard to be around, not feeling like you're a part of it."

Morneau was hitting .345 with 18 homers and 56 RBIs when he went down the first week in July. Even though he hasn't played in two months, only Jim Thome (22) and Jason Kubel (19) have more homers than Morneau on the Twins.

"It's just a long process," he said. "It's frustrating watching it and not being a part of it. This is what we play for and you never know how many chances you're going to get to win."

"Being the first year in this stadium and not being able to be a part of it has been very difficult. The boys are playing well, that's made it easier. It's still my goal of making it back this year."

It hasn't been all bad news for Morneau. He was recently nominated as a finalist for the Roberto Clemente Award, given annually to a major league player who combines community service with excellence on the field.

"It's a real special honor," Morneau said. "What he did as a player and off the field helping so many people was something special and it's very humbling to be nominated and recognized."

Morneau grew up in the Vancouver area and idolized Canucks forward Trevor Linden, who was also very active in the community. He made it a priority to do the same thing when he made it to the big leagues.

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A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.



# Cowboys' linemen battling knee injuries

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Tony Romo might be without two of his main blockers in the opener Sunday night at Washington.

Dallas Cowboys right tackle Marc Colombo and left guard Kyle Kosier missed practice again Wednesday because of knee injuries suffered during training camp, leaving little time for them to prove they are healthy enough to play this weekend.

Colombo is the surprise. He was supposed to have been back a week ago based on the initial timetable when he underwent arthroscopic surgery.

"If he doesn't practice this week, I would say he probably wouldn't play," coach Wade Phillips said.

Kosier sprained a ligament and is three weeks into a recovery that was expected to take 4 to 6 weeks.

Dallas has veteran backups for both: Alex Barron at right tackle, Montrae Holland at left guard.

Barron was acquired from St. Louis during the offseason to provide depth at both tackle spots. Holland was with Dallas last season, but was inactive for all 16 games. Both started in place of the starters during the preseason.

Phillips said going with a pair of backups wouldn't change the game plan much.

"I think the strength of the guys that are in there, Barron and Holland, are comparable to what we have so you don't have to change too much," he said. "Colombo pulled and did some things like that; well, Barron can do that. Montrae is a guard similar to what Kosier does. It's not a big change as far as the plays you run."



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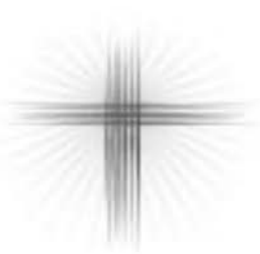
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# Status of Heisman unclear

Associated Press

METAIRIE, La. — Reggie Bush declined to go into any detail Wednesday on what he knows about the status of his 2005 Heisman Trophy.

"At this point, it's kind of out of my hands," Bush said Wednesday after practice with the New Orleans Saints.

Bush said he could not "confirm or deny" whether he has met with anyone from the Heisman Trophy Trust and deferred comment to the trust when asked about a Yahoo! report that said he could be stripped of the award by the end of the month.

"If I'm not mistaken, I believe the Heisman Trust people released a statement saying whatever was (reported) yesterday was inaccurate, so that's where we're at," he said.

On Tuesday, trust executive director Robert Whalen told The Associated Press that there has been no decision on the status of Bush's Heisman.

The NCAA found major violations in USC's football program and levied serious sanctions against the school in June, including the loss of scholarships and a two-year bowl ban. The Trojans have dissociated themselves from Bush, who was accused of accepting money and other benefits from sports agents.

Losing the Heisman could further tarnish Bush's legacy, although Bush noted, "On the field, play speaks for itself."

"That's for the fans to kind of make their minds up about," he added.

The NFL's 2010 regular season kicks off on Thursday night when the Saints host the Minnesota Vikings.

With the rematch of last season's NFC championship game looming, Bush said he hasn't even thought about whether he'd actually return the trophy if officially stripped of the award.

"Here we are the day before the biggest game of the new season and that's where my focus is," Bush said. "It's a big game. We're playing the Minnesota Vikings. It's going to be crazy. So that's where my focus is now. I've said all that I want to say and everything else has to play itself out. ... It's an unfortunate situation for everybody, including the kids at USC."

Bush said he has not spoken to anyone at Southern Cal "for a while." He said he remains friends with Trojans coach Lane Kiffin and talks with him on occasion, but added that he hasn't "spoken to anybody regarding this specific stuff."

Titans quarterback Vince Young finished second in the Heisman balloting in 2005 before beating Bush's Trojans in the BCS national championship game. He refused to get drawn into any discussion about the Heisman potentially being available.

"I really don't kind of know what's going on, just kind of heard a little bit about it," Young said. "But no comment. Really no comment about it right now."

When asked if he would accept the Heisman if offered to him:

"No comment right now, no comment," Young repeated.



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# Krisik

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bles partner, Kelcy Tefft, finished the season as the No. 1 doubles pair in the nation as well.

Her sophomore season was more of the same as she and Krisik dominated the doubles circuit and reached No. 1. As a power player, she creates a distinct advantage for her partner.

“[Frilling] sets her partners up with quite a few easy balls because she hits so hard,” Louderback said.

Krisik has since graduated, but she received her fair

share of honors during her career, as well. In her junior season, she received Big East honors and was named a Big East Academic All-Star and an ITA Scholar Athlete.

What made the two such a successful tandem, according to Louderback, was their chemistry.

“They are both really calm under pressure,” Louderback said. “Kali is more vocal during the match while Kristy keeps her intensity within herself. They have those same personalities off the court as well.”

The relationship they developed on the court grew into a friendship, which in turn made that unique

chemistry even better.

“They really enjoyed playing together and have become very close friends off the court,” Louderback said.

This honor for two Notre Dame women’s tennis players is just one more example of the program’s rapid ascension into the premier teams in the nation.

“We have had two [doubles pairs] make the ITA All Star team each of the past two years and it is a testament to the hard work our kids have put in and it shows that hard work pays off,”

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# Wood

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Allen has been listed as the starter since the first depth chart came out last spring, but Wood only cracked the two-deep in the week leading up to the opener. The sophomore sat out all of last year but looked explosive in his first action in an Irish uniform. Wood only received one second-half carry, though, and Molnar said it might take some time for him to adjust to the college game.

“When you’re playing out there for the first time, you tend to burn up a lot of nervous energy before the game and during the game, and I think that was the case,” Molnar said. “I would expect him to be able to have more carries and more endurance as we go through the season.”

As Wood receives more carries, the level of competition between the two running backs will likely increase. But Molnar said Wood and Allen, along with the rest of the running backs, were always

supportive of one another.

“These guys get along great,” Molnar said. “We’re really starting to form the nucleus of a team where guys are really helping each other and rooting for each other.”

Molnar said it was difficult to determine how the running back situation would shake out in the future, but acknowledged that both would get a good amount of carries.

“Really, we have a 1-A and a 1-B, and whoever’s that 1-A and 1B- is probably going to be a week-to-week proposition,” Molnar said.

Allen said that even if he was eventually supplanted by a player two years his junior, it wouldn’t bother him as long as the team played well.

“At the end of the day, we’re here to win,” Allen said. “It’s what we’re here to do, and me and Cierre understand that, no matter who is in the game. There will be times when we both want to get carries, we just have to remember that. Whatever helps us win.”

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# Defense

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tributed to our success this season. If we continue to play as a team we will go far.”

In the Belles’ Sept. 4 victory, senior Meghann Rose had 12 digs. Other valuable con-

tributions in that win came from junior Danie Brink, who had 10 kills, a .692 hitting percentage and 26 digs. Senior Ellen Huelsmann and junior Lindsey Stuss each added six digs.

After the Belles square-off with Albion Friday, they will face another conference opponent, Olivet (4-2) the following day.

Growth will prove to be key to the Belles’ success this season.

“Our team continues to improve every time they step out on the court,” Kuschel said. “That will be vital to our success in conference play this season.”

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# Titans

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Belles defender deflected a shot off the foot of freshman Kristina Dolak and into the back of the net.

The elements played a crucial role in the Titans next goal, when Bill scored her second of the game by using the wind at her back to guide to ball into the goal. The Titans’ commanding 3-0 lead was too much for the Belles to overcome.

The Titans added three more goals in the second half, including another by Bill, completing her hat trick.

The Belles tallied four shots on goal in the second half. Perhaps their best opportunity to get on the scoreboard happened when freshman Mollie Valencia unleashed a shot, but Titans’ goalie Alli Novak made a diving stop to preserve the shut out.

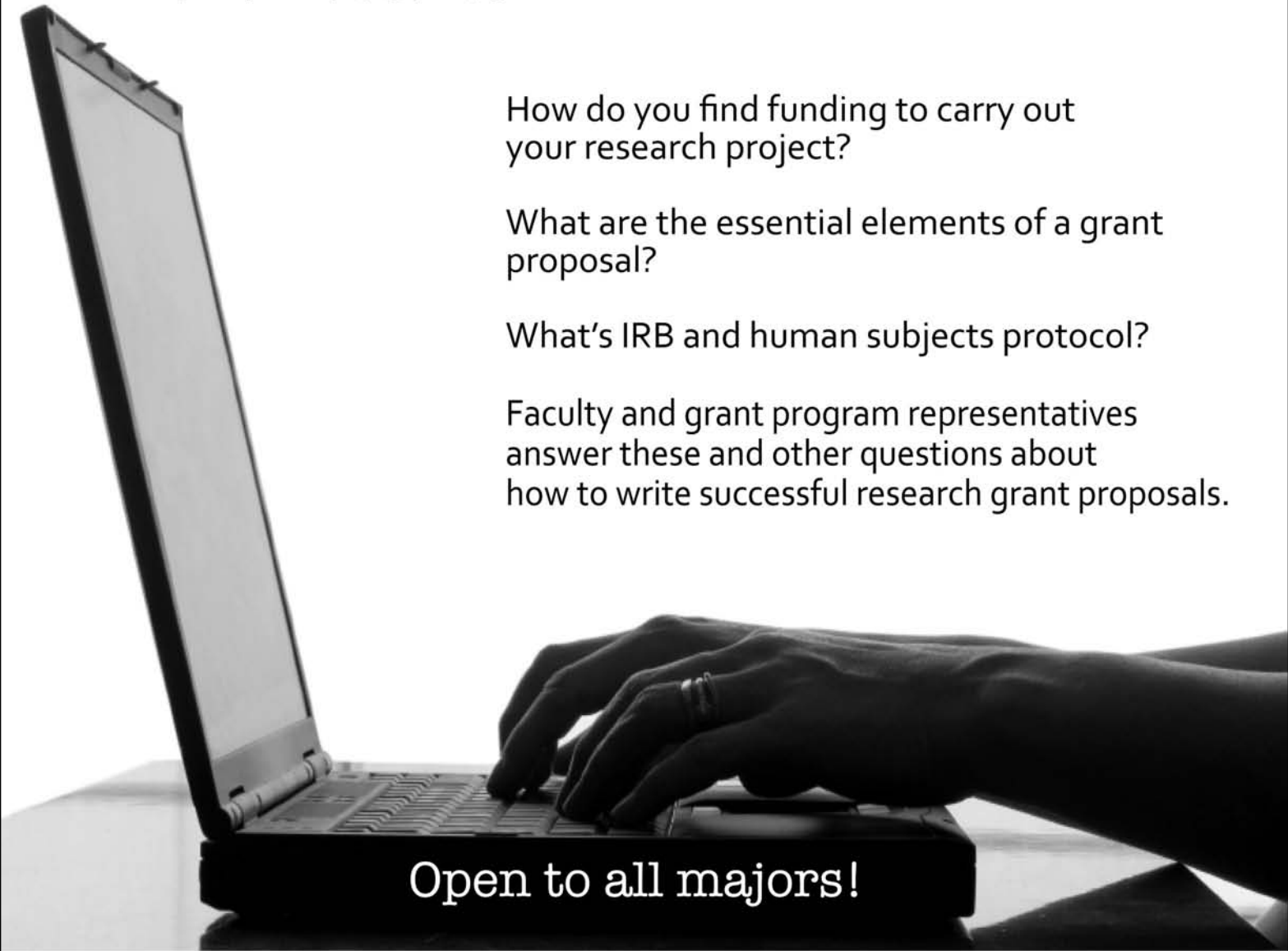
Junior goalkeeper Kristen Nelson made eight saves to limit the damage as best she could. The defenders also contributed to the save total by adding three of their own in the first half, which gave the Belles a total of 11 for the game.

It will not get any easier for the Belles, as their search for their first win takes them to Westerville, Ohio, this weekend to play in a tournament hosted by No. 7 Otterbein. They will play Otterbein Friday night, with a game against Ohio Northern to follow on Saturday.

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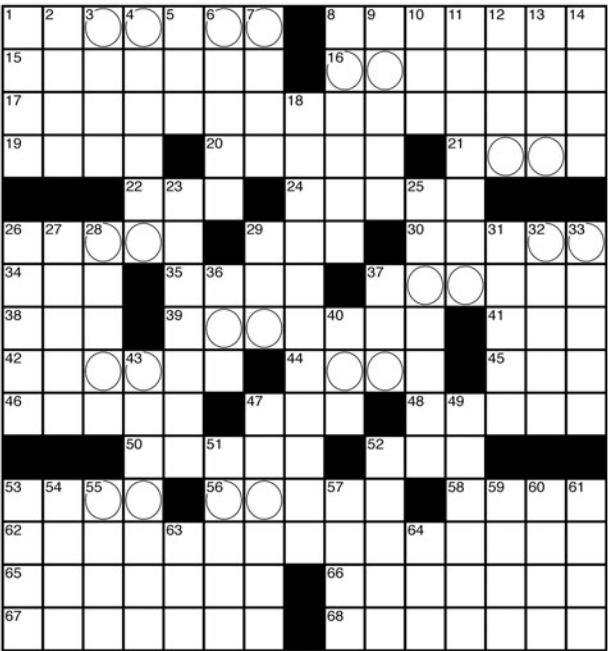
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36 Not be well

37 French court event

40 This and that

43 "Rich Man, Poor Man" Emmy winner

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- 49 Cast off

51 Actor Hirsch of "Into the Wild"

52 "Another \_\_\_\_," "Another Show" ("Kiss Me, Kate" song)

53 One way to go to a party

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- 55 \_\_\_\_ Zor-El, Supergirl's birth name

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**Happy Birthday:** Learn from your mistakes and you will prosper. You can stabilize your financial situation. Change is apparent in both personal and professional partnerships. A unique approach to love and relationships will bring the best results and hold your partner's interest. Your numbers are 4, 6, 15, 21, 26, 38, 41

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You've got more going for you than you realize. Stop undermining yourself and start taking action. It's not like you to sit back, so take the initiative and start inspiring others. You can make a difference. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Play to win and don't leave any stone unturned. A romantic plan will lead to a stable personal life. Practical application, coupled with a little spontaneity, will bring the best results. ★★★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't let things get to you. Use your energy to harness your skills and produce something that will benefit you or the organizations with which you are concerned. Don't give in to ultimatums. ★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Take note of what friends, neighbors or relatives are doing but don't join in if you aren't interested. You have plenty to accomplish on your own. An interest in a different lifestyle or culture will help you better understand yourself. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Someone from your past may remind you of something you wanted to be or do professionally. Getting together with an old friend will bring you back to a place of comfort. Romance is in the stars. ★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** If you follow your heart and push for what you want, you will be successful. Changes at home are long overdue but it's never too late to instigate what you want. Rely on your strength and courage to help you stick to your game plan. ★★★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Before you jump into something, do your research. A change at work or with regard to someone dependent on you will leave you in an awkward position. You may have to make a decision that will influence someone else's life. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Be upfront and forceful in your approach to getting things done your way. The help you offer others will bring paybacks that are well worth your while. Changes at home will add to your creativity and your ability to get ahead. ★★★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** There are lots of opportunities but they won't drop in your lap. A lack of honest communication or avoiding emotional issues will come back to haunt you. Make the changes required at home. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** It's up to you to make proposals and set up meetings that highlight your talent and position. Love may take an interesting turn that will open your eyes to greater possibilities. A commitment made can be revoked if you no longer feel the same way. Follow your heart. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You will be criticized for your lack of accomplishments if you do not take what you have experienced and put it to good use. You have to recognize the mistakes you have made in the past if you plan to do something about them in the future. ★★★★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Partnerships will play an important role in your life. Be open and receptive to what's being asked of you if you want to come up with a workable solution. There is plenty to gain by compromising with someone willing to meet you halfway. ★★★★★

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## FOOTBALL

# Dual threat

*Senior Armando Allen and sophomore Cierre Wood provide spark for Irish offense*



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Senior Armando Allen breaks a tackle in Notre Dame's game Saturday against Purdue. Allen rushed for 98 yards on 18 carries, averaging 5.3 yards per carry and leading the Irish rushing attack.

By SAM WERNER  
Sports Writer

Most teams would be happy with one reliable running back in the backfield. Notre Dame has the enviable "problem" of having two.

Senior Armando Allen and sophomore Cierre Wood each averaged more than five yards per carry against

Purdue Saturday; Allen rushed for 98 yards on 18 carries, and Wood piled up 63 yards on just seven touches.

"We knew we had two really, really good running backs," offensive coordinator Charley Molnar said. "We left the hot back in and when he got winded, we put the next guy in and then he became the hot guy for the

most part."

While Allen still received the bulk of the carries, he said resting while Wood played allowed him to stay fresh late in the game.

"It was great [getting a rest when Cierre was in]," Allen said. "It's nice that whichever one of us is in, we still get great production."

In Wood's first four carries, he had three rushes of

at least 15 yards. After he came out of the game, Allen busted loose for a 22-yard touchdown run. He said he came on the field even more motivated because of Wood's impressive performance.

"Without a doubt," Allen said, "Cierre is a great running back, and we use each other as motivation."

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## SMC VOLLEYBALL

# SMC set to commence MIAA play

By KATHERINE MACK  
Sports Writer

The Belles will look for their second win of the season in their first conference match this Friday against conference foe Albion at home.

The Belles (1-4) will be looking to bounce-back from a 1-4 loss against Elmhurst on Sept. 4, while the Britons (1-4) also look to rebound, coming off a 3-0 loss to their first conference opponent, Hope.

"We have been playing very well together this season so far, which is great to see since we have so many new faces on our squad," Belles coach Toni Kuschel said. "Albion will be tough just like last season. They run a fast offense and they get stronger every year. I think that if we come out strong and play like we have been, we will do well against them on Friday."

There are indeed some new faces on the Belles team this year, as four of the 13 players are new to the 2010 squad.

Kuschel said defense will be the key to his team's success.

"Our strength definitely comes from our defense this year," he said. "They have kept us in every match we have played so far; however, our whole team has con-

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## SMC SOCCER

# Saint Mary's unable to contain Wesleyan

By JOE WIRTH  
Sports Writer

The Belles were unable to hold off the dynamic attack of No. 15 Illinois Wesleyan, losing 6-0 Wednesday night in Bloomington, Ill.

It was not all bad for Saint Mary's, which had reasonable

scoring chances early but could not capitalize. From that point on, Illinois Wesleyan dominated.

The Titans first got on the board in the 19th minute with a goal from freshman Tillie Bill. Moments later, the Titans tallied another score when a

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MAGGIE O'BRIEN/The Observer

Junior Michelle Marshall attempts to control the ball Wednesday against IWU. The Belles fell 6-0 to the No. 15 Titans.

## ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Irish duo named All-Stars

*Frilling and Krisik named to ITA Collegiate All-Star squad*

By MATTHEW ROBISON  
Sports Writer

After a stellar 2009-10 season, junior Kristy Frilling and 2010 graduate Kali Krisik were recently named to the ITA Collegiate All-Star team as a doubles pair, recognition they earned for finishing last season as the nation's No. 1 doubles pair.

Frilling and Krisik finished last season 34-3 overall and 25-0 during the dual season.

"It is a testament to the hard work our kids have put in, and it shows that hard work pays off," Irish coach Jay Louderback said.

Although Louderback noted that Frilling and Krisik were slightly different players, he said that together, they made a great team.

"They were a perfect fit with their game styles on the court," he said. "[Krisik] was very consistent and made few errors but can still play



MACKENZIE SAIN/The Observer

Kristy Frilling returns a volley in Notre Dame's Apr. 29 matchup against DePaul. She and Kali Krisik were the No. 1 doubles team last year.

a power game. [Frilling] is a big hitter who hits many winners but makes more errors."

Frilling, a junior from Sidney, Ohio, has had success at the collegiate level since her freshman year. She

received All-America and Big East honors in her first season and participated in the NCAA tournament in both singles and doubles. Frilling and her 2009 dou-

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