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## Hesburgh recalls Peace Corps origins

By MEGAN DOYLE  
Associate News Editor

On March 1, 1961, University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh encountered two friends as they ran across LaFayette Square in Washington, D.C., to "the boss' office."

The two men, Sargent Shriver and Harris Wofford, were bringing an executive order to President John F. Kennedy for him to approve the creation of a Peace Corps. Kennedy signed the order that day. Tuesday marked the 50th anniversary of the corps' formation.

"I knew [the Peace Corps] from the beginning," Hesburgh said on the anniversary. "I was present during the creation."

Hesburgh and Shriver, the newly appointed director of the program, spent that first evening in 1961 planning the Peace Corps' first project over the phone. As the anniversary of that initial conversation passed, Hesburgh reflected on the role Notre Dame played in the program's beginning.

"We trained the first Peace Corps volunteers at Notre Dame that summer in June, July and August," he said. "In the fall they went down to Chile in a boat and began two years of service ... Notre Dame has the distinction of having the first Peace Corps that got into the field."

Notre Dame hosted the first group of Peace Corps volunteers as they trained for their two years

of service. The volunteers spent eight weeks on Notre Dame's campus, Hesburgh said. They took courses in Spanish, Latin American history, political science and social improvement.

Hesburgh was closely involved with the volunteers as they trained on campus.

"I was their teacher and their mentor because I put the program of training together," he said. "I met with them every day. I took care of many of their early problems. So I was like the father or counselor for the first Peace Corps volunteers in the world."

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University President Emeritus Fr. Hesburgh is pictured in his office on Tuesday, the 50th anniversary of the Peace Corps. Hesburgh was integral to the program's founding in 1961.

## ND brain researcher receives NFL grant

By AMANDA GRAY  
News Writer

The National Football League (NFL) will fund Notre Dame's chemistry and biochemistry departments to research strokes and other brain injuries, professor Mayland Chang said.

Chang, who has been working on the project for 15 years, studies gelatinase-based brain diseases. Funded in part by the National Institute of Health, the researched treatments are getting close to FDA trials, she said.

Gelatinase is a type of enzyme that breaks down cell walls and can cause tumor metastasis in cancer, as well as problems in traumatic brain injury (TBI), strokes, aneurysms and diabetic



Chang

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## Soler, Bell push job board reform

By JOHN CAMERON  
News Writer

Student employment opportunities are inefficiently advertised by the online job board, student body president Catherine Soler said.

"I think it's a totally underdeveloped resource," Soler said. "The biggest complaint is that it's not as comprehensive as it should be."

The Student Employment Office, a division of the Office of Financial Aid, runs the current job board. Campus employers must supply the Student Employment Office with information on job openings.

Soler said students suggested restructuring the page itself so that it is easier to access and navigate.

"A lot of the feedback we've heard was about making it a

lot more user friendly. Right now they have broad, generic topics for what the jobs are, and sometimes there are no jobs beneath those topics," Soler said. "Ideally we'd like to upgrade the software to something you can sort, by location, time or days of the week."

Student body vice president Andrew Bell said confusion often arises from the application process being separate for each employer and detached from the job board itself.

"The theme of [the suggested changes] is just streamlining the searching and application process," he said.

Regardless of the difficulties students face in using the page, Soler said a bigger problem is the lack of awareness of the job board's existence and location.

"Another complaint is find-

ing the job board is difficult since it's under the student financial tab, not many students look there. Putting it in a place where it's more visible to students would be better," she said. "Another big thing is student awareness. Some people don't even know it exists."

Soler said departments' reluctance to advertise certain jobs, presumably to avoid an excess of applications, presents an obstacle to an accurate job board.

"One complication is that not everyone wants to advertise jobs," she said. "But we think, if over 40 percent of students are employed, everyone should have the opportunity to inquire."

Soler said she felt improving student access to job information was especially

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## Sprint CEO talks cell service at ND

By ADAM LLORENS  
News Writer

Mobile carrier Sprint plans to increase the company's 4G coverage on campus and to introduce a unique Notre Dame Sprint ID Pack, CEO and Notre Dame alumnus Dan Hesse said.

The company hopes to reach out to students who are either searching for a mobile carrier or who are dissatisfied with their current company, Hesse said.

"If there is not great cover-



Hesse

age at Notre Dame, I hear it from everyone," Hesse said. "It may be a selfish perspective, but Notre Dame deserves nothing less than the best."

The target market for Sprint is shifting from businessmen and women to college students, Hesse said.

"It is very important for us as a company to reach out to students," Hesse said. "By serving on the board at the Mendoza College of Business and lecturing a couple of times per year, it is clear [to me] who our target customers are."

Sprint's current packages reflect the needs of a student demographic, he said.

"Simplicity and value are the two qualities which we attempt

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER QUOTE?



**Claire Broshnihan**  
*senior*  
*Pasquerilla East*

*“Don’t pay enough attention to have one.”*



**Erin Boyle**  
*sophomore*  
*Cavanaugh*

*“Hard alcohol is prohibited?”*



**Hali Nguyen**  
*freshman*  
*Lewis*

*“You can tell a lot about a man by his shoes.”*



**Maireid Mumford**  
*freshman*  
*Lewis*

*“Chivalry is about pickup trucks and chainsaws and \$500 drivers-guy stuff.”*



**Michael Appel**  
*freshman*  
*Knott*

*“If it stinks, it’s biology; if it changes color, it’s chemistry; if it breaks, it’s physics.”*



**Rachel Geoffrey**  
*sophomore*  
*Farley*

*“I set the clocks to start running backwards when class was about to end then the maintenance staff caught me.”*

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**Snow melts Tuesday on North Quad due to warmer weather. As more grass becomes visible each day, students grow hopeful that spring and its weather will come soon.**

## OFFBEAT

### Wallis Simpson’s lingerie, handbags up for auction

LONDON — Lingerie, handbags and luggage once owned by Wallis Simpson, the American divorcee who shook the British monarchy, are due to be auctioned off in London.

Kerry Taylor Auctioneers says that items due to be put up for sale include a scarlet chiffon nightdress, complete with a full length cape, and a 1960s Louis Vuitton vanity case. The auction is set for March 17.

The story of Simpson, for whom King Edward VIII abdicated the throne in 1936, continues to fascinate. It’s currently being turned into a movie,

“W.E.,” directed by Madonna. It was also a key part of “The King’s Speech,” which was crowned best picture Sunday at the Academy Awards ceremony and won four Oscars in all, including a best-actor prize for Colin Firth as stammering British ruler George VI, Edward’s brother.

### Nine sixth-graders suspected of ‘fight club’ in Washington

TACOMA — Nine sixth-grade boys suspected of participating in a so-called “fight club” have been expelled from a Tacoma, Wash., middle school. School officials tell The News Tribune they found out about the club when the relative of one partici-

pant spoke to a television station about it. KCPQ-TV also aired a cell phone video showing two kids fighting.

The fights took place at Stewart Middle School and in homes.

A Tacoma Public Schools spokesman says the school expelled the boys as of Monday. When they can return will be determined on a case-by-case basis, with school officials factoring in the students’ disciplinary histories.

District officials have told school principals throughout Tacoma to be on the alert for similar clubs.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

The seminar “Restricted Latent Class Models for Diagnostic Educational Assessments” will be presented by Alan Huebner today at 4 p.m. in 129 Hayes-Healy Center. The Department of Applied and Computational Mathematics and Statistics is sponsoring this presentation.







The distinguished lecture series “Experimentation in Ancient Medicine: Animals and Humans” will be given today by Dr. Heinrich von Staden from 4:15 to 6 p.m. in Geddes Hall. Von Staden is the Professor Emeritus at Princeton University and specializes in the Classics and History of Science.

“Exploring Diversity in Catholicism,” a religious orders panel, will occur tonight at 6 p.m. in DeBartolo 129. The Catholic Graduate Community is hosting a panel of priests from several of the religious orders represented at Notre Dame: Holy Cross, Dominican, Franciscan, Jesuit and parish.

Janet Kaplan, the 2011 Sandeen Prize Winner, will give a poetry reading from her book, “Dreamlife of a Philanthropist” tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. The reading is free and open to the public.

The free lecture “From War-Making to the Cage of Reason — Two Logics of State-Building in Latin America and Spain” will be given tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies. Agustin Ferraro, a Visiting Associate Professor from Princeton University, will present the lecture.

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## COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Members discuss pep rallies, memorial

By JOHN CAMERON  
News Writer

The Council of Representatives looked ahead to next year as it discussed pep rallies and the endowment established last semester in memory of Declan Sullivan at Tuesday's meeting.

Student body president Catherine Soler asked representatives for feedback about the successes and shortcomings of this year's reformed rallies.

Student body vice president Andrew Bell said disproportionate attendance between classes was a recurring problem.

"Usually pep rally attendance is heavily freshman," he said. "Is there anything that could encourage sophomores, juniors and seniors to come back to the pep rallies?"

Senior class president Kate Clitheroe said off-campus students had difficulty accessing

the student section at this year's rallies, especially if they missed the student walkover.

"Off-campus people are coming from Turtle Creek and that direction," she said. "It's something to be aware of, that seniors may not show up on time."

Hall Presidents' Council co-chair Alexa Doyle said including a new or different feature at each rally could entice more upperclassmen to attend the rallies.

"My really apathetic off-campus friends came for the fireworks, so I think things like that, gymmicks, work," Doyle said.

Student Senate liaison Erin Burke agreed that ensuring each

rally's uniqueness could draw upperclassmen who may see the rallies as more of the same.

"Just make sure each pep rally's different, that's the thing," Burke said. "You go to one and think, 'Oh, I'm done for the year, I've had my fill.'"

This year, Irish football coach Brian Kelly spoke at the dorms that displayed the most spirit at the pep rallies.

Bell said he was not sure if this incentive would continue but believed some sort of similar encouragement would be offered next year.

"Every year there's different incentives to get the dorms there because they're such a

*"Every year there's different incentives to get the dorms there because they're such a key part of the spirit of the pep rallies."*

**Andrew Bell**  
student body vice president

key part of the spirit of the pep rallies," he said.

Following the theme of next year's athletics, Soler discussed possibly collaborating with the Athletics Office to implement the endowment established following junior Declan Sullivan's death last fall.

"The FMB [Financial Management Board] set up the Declan Sullivan memorial endowment ... It looks like it's going to be housed in student government. We are just trying to come up with ways we can use [the endowment] to honor Declan for the next 25 years," she said. "We've reached out to the Athletic Department to see if they'd be interested in doing something."

Soler said no decisions would be made regarding the endowment's usage until the Sullivan family has been consulted.

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## College works with book drive

By ALICIA SMITH  
Associate Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's students, faculty and staff reach out to the local community by donating books and videos to the Children's Book Drive at the College, senior Jennifer Kornexl said.

The Children's Book Drive began Feb. 21, and is open to all.

Kornexl said she felt it was important for Saint Mary's to donate items for a good cause.

"The book drive gives people the chance to donate books and videos that are just collecting dust," she said. "These books can then be put to use at organizations in need within the community."

Kornexl said new and used children's books and videos can be donated to the drive. All of the materials collected will be distributed to local programs such as Head Start, St. Margaret's House, day care centers and the South Bend Center for the Homeless.

According to Kornexl, the drive is held "to provide books for different organizations in the community to use."

The book drive is sponsored by Saint Mary's College Office of Civic and Social Engagement (OCSE) in conjunction with REAL Services and the Foster Grandparent Program.

Kornexl said the organizers of the drive do not have a specific goal but are grateful for all materials it receives.

Materials can be dropped in the following locations: Madeleva Lounge in Madeleva Hall, the mail room in Spes Unica Hall, the Le Mans Hall Front Desk, Havican Hall and the circulation desk at the Cushwa Leighton Library.

The book drive will continue through March 4.

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# Visiting professor speaks on scripture

By CAITLIN HOUSLEY  
News Writer

Sr. Carolyn Osiek, a visiting professor from Texas Christian University, said scripture can shape one's growth in God during a lecture Tuesday at Saint Mary's.

The lecture, "Scripture and Spirituality: Touching a Finger to the Flame," is a part of the Center for Spirituality's spring lecture series.

"Scripture models and reflects to us how we can be as people of God, as disciples, and as ministers of the Word," Osiek said.

Osiek first provided her own definition of scripture.

"[Scripture is] simply how we live what we believe," she said.

Sometimes the dissection of scripture to become more like God can pose quite a daunting task, Osiek said. Community is key to understanding scripture's role in Christian life.

"Scripture is a family story

that tells us who we are," she said. "We belong to a family with a long history."

From this family, followers of the faith can draw on the models of community, discipleship and ministry to better understand scripture.

The three models of community are people on the move, assembly at the holy place and gathering of the holy ones, Osiek said.

Disciples look to people on the move to serve as examples of people who travel to share God's word. Assembly at the holy place shows the generations of followers that come in faith, and disciples can learn from the gathering of the holy ones because they are people of the Holy Spirit, Osiek said.

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**Sr. Carolyn Osiek**  
visiting professor

Within models of discipleship, Osiek outlined the concepts of the journey, rootedness and companionship.

"The journey of life is a familiar metaphor. We have personal journeys of discovery ... journeys from doubt to faith ... from darkness to light, but

how do we handle the constant shift and changes in our life?" Osiek said.

Rootedness and companionship are both essential on the journey because they provide security, something Osiek considers hard to find in this fast-

paced world.

Osiek also distinguished four major categories of religious vocation: apostle, prophet, teacher and healer.

"[The apostle] delights in going to new situations and

beginning again to share God's love," Osiek said.

The prophet is the rarest category, she said, yet it has never ceased existing in the church. Prophets are those who see what others have yet to see.

"Prophets have a vision and feel compelled to communicate that vision. But, not everyone who feels compelled to communicate is a prophet," she said. "It doesn't work both ways."

The teacher delights in showing others the way, and the healer delights in making others whole in various aspects of their lives, and repairing damage, she said.

With all of these models, Osiek encouraged the audience to not just read scripture but to eat it, in the sense of one eating food for nourishment. Digesting scripture, she said, nourishes the Christian life and soul.

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## Jobs

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important at Notre Dame, where some students face significant financial burdens.

"Notre Dame is an expensive place to be. Whether people are working for tuition, or spending money or any other reason, giving students the best opportunity for employment will definitely benefit the student body," she said. "For something that's this much of a necessity, with such a demand on campus, there should be an easier way for students to find these opportunities."

Bell said campus employment offers students more than a paycheck.

"Beyond the obvious financial benefits, I think having a job is an important part of being a well-rounded person, especially as we look toward leaving Notre Dame as the most well-prepared people," he said. "This shouldn't be a difficult process."

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## Brain

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wounds.

Chang's husband, professor Shahriar Mobashery, discovered a compound at Wayne State University called SB-3CT that could be a possible treatment for the brain diseases. Mobashery now teaches at Notre Dame.

The SB-3CT compound is an inhibitor triggered by the enzyme's reaction in the cell.

Chang said a compound like SB-3CT could help stop brain damage similarly to how it helps stroke patients.

The compound was synthesized more than 450 times to find a way to make it water soluble, so it can be put into an IV or given to a patient in the form of an injection, Chang said.

If all goes well, the drug could be in use with stroke patients in seven to nine years, Chang said.

"Would this be great to have as an injectable treatment?" she said. "It could be on the sidelines. If you get a concussion, you can get a shot. This is eventually our hope."

The current drug used to dissolve clots in ischemic, or clot-forming, stroke patients is tissue Plasminogen Activator, or tPA, Chang said. This drug dissolves the clot, but increases gelatinase enzymes, which causes hemorrhaging and brain swelling. When SB-3CT is given in tandem with this drug in experiments, it has reduced side affects.

Researchers have developed an experimental model to test compounds.

"We're always looking for better ways to treat," she said.

Chang, whose son is a competitive snow boarder, witnessed the treatment for TBI

when her son had a concussion last year.

"If you have a concussion, they can do cognitive treatment," she said. "They do simple things. For example, they ask you to list words that begin with the same letter. They also make you take a rest — no physical activity, nothing to rattle your brain. They don't really do anything else."

The research team is currently searching for funding to have toxicology studies done, which will then put the drug into FDA clinical trials, Chang said.

She said the team hopes the compound will improve emergency response to brain problems.

"Given in an ambulance setting, it would work quickly," she said.

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## Sprint

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to show in all of our products," Hesse said. "Unlimited text, surf, mobile-to-mobile calls and various other data features starting at \$70 per month is a package no other company can beat."

In addition to improving 4G coverage, Hesse said Sprint is also developing a Notre Dame ID Pack to be released in the spring.

A Sprint ID Pack groups applications on a mobile device to organize them for a particular user's needs.

"Each mobile marketplace has well over 1,000 apps, so the question of, 'How do I navigate through all of my apps?' presents itself," he said. "To answer this, Sprint has introduced ID Packs which can be catered to whatever one's personal interests may be."

Sprint built ID Packs for companies such as ESPN and Disney in the past.

"Notre Dame will be the first university we will be giving this capability to," Hesse said. "The Notre Dame ID Pack will have everything one may find

on the www.nd.edu website, including on-the-go access to an InsideND account, CourseWare files and content on Concourse."

Hesse said he hopes to develop ID Packs for Notre Dame athletic teams, alumni and fans as well as for students. The Notre Dame ID Pack will be available exclusively on Android phones or tablets.

Hesse, a 1975 graduate, said he maintains a strong connection between the University and his company. The company outfitted Irish football coach Brian Kelly with 200 Sprint devices for demo purposes.

Hesse said his experience as a Notre Dame student built the foundation for his company policies.

Sprint operates on a high level of social responsibility, Hesse said, because of the ethical principles he learned as a Notre Dame undergraduate.

"Newsweek recently ranked Sprint No. six on their list of

the 500 Greenest American Companies," Hesse said. "The next closest mobile carrier was ranked at number 99."

Customer service is also important to the company, he said.

"Sprint's customer service has improved more than any company in any industry," Hesse said.

"We were recently ranked on the J.D. Power 2011 Customer Service Champions list."

Notre Dame students should use the lessons they learn during their four years in college to enter a career field they truly love, Hesse said.

"You must choose something you are truly passionate about and something you will work hard for," Hesse said. "This University teaches its students lifelong ethical values when, combined with hard work, will take you far."

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# Peace

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The 40 volunteers worked along the central valley of Chile with campesinos, or farm people, in the region.

"We were taking kids from a rich country like the United States to countries that were very poor, and that was quite an adjustment to get them to understand what they were walking into and what they could do to help them," he said. "They helped them with farming and with building their houses and with a whole wide range with upgrading socially, these very poorest people in Chile."

Hesburgh continued to advise Shriver as the Peace Corps grew. After five years, he said the small program grew to over 200 sites around the world.

"I was in their office in Washington very often giving them advice on project and helping them develop the Peace Corps in its early years," he said. "I was involved very heavily the first five years, when Sargent Shriver was going to get started."

Kennedy began the program on "a temporary, pilot basis," in 1961. Fifty years later, 8,655 volunteers are stationed around the world.

"I think it is important to look back on the Peace Corps because it was one of the Kennedy experiments that really stood the test of time and did much good to many people, many nations all over the world," Hesburgh said. "That is not just Peace Corps but that is Notre Dame's mission too. That is why we fit in so well with the Peace Corps. To this day we have people volunteering for Peace Corps."

The University is currently ranked 18th among medium-sized universities producing Peace Corps volunteers.

Hesburgh said the connection between Notre Dame and the Peace Corps runs deeply into the University's mission.

"We have a student body that even during college years helps all over the place in social action programs like tutoring or working with the poor," he said. "It is a natural fit with Peace Corps. We have students who are both intelligent and generous, and some are good in languages, and all of that helps with Peace Corps."

Twenty-five Notre Dame graduates currently serve among the 200,000 Peace Corps volunteers around the world.

"[The Peace Corps] fits in exactly with Notre Dame and its goals. We train people to work for social justice," Hesburgh said. "This was a question of going into an unjust world, a world in economic imbalance between the very rich and the very poor and somehow bridging over and helping the poor move up in life by having better confidence as farmers or workers."

The Peace Corps is currently engaged in 77 countries. Hesburgh said he visited Peace Corps sites whenever possible as he traveled around the world on other business and met many volunteers over the years.

"It was a wonderful feeling of generosity on the part of these young people who were willing to give up two years of their lives after they graduated college," he said. "They could have gone out and made money, and instead they went into the Peace Corps where they made practically nothing but served the poor all over the world."

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# Gingrich prepares for likely White House bid

Associated Press

IOWA CITY— The biggest obstacle to a Newt Gingrich presidential bid might be Gingrich himself.

The twice-divorced former U.S. House speaker has admitted an affair with a former congressional aide who is now his third wife. His career in Congress is remembered as much for his dramatic fall — the federal government shutdown, his censure and the loss of Republican seats in the House — as his rise. His polarizing style sometimes leaves would-be voters cold.

"I don't think it will be Newt's moral issues that will keep him from winning the presidency," said Tom Perdue, a Georgia-based GOP political strategist. "When he had a chance to govern, he proved that he couldn't."

Unlike many candidates, Gingrich won't have to struggle to make a name for himself.

People already know Newt Gingrich. What remains to be seen is whether that hurts or helps him.

"The problem for Newt may be that some voters know him too well," said Ed Faylor Jr. of Iowans for Tax Reform. "I think people can get past it, but it's not going to happen overnight."

Faylor met with Gingrich on one of Gingrich's recent trips to Iowa, the first-in-the-nation caucus state he has visited eight times since May 2010. The strategy Gingrich is using in Iowa provides a glimpse of how he might try to overcome his personal baggage to win the GOP nomination.

Gingrich, 67, is widely expected to take another step toward a run this week. He and his wife, Callista, have scheduled a meeting Thursday with Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal, a key supporter. Gingrich's lawyer, Randy Evans, has said the former Georgia congressman will announce the formation of an exploratory committee in the coming days and he expects it will happen in Georgia.

As media attention surrounding the Georgia visit intensified, his spokesman Rick Tyler took pains to suggest that Gingrich was not traveling to the state with the intention to announce that he will form the committee.

The trip is funded by his tax-exempt conservative group America Solutions for Winning the Future, which cannot endorse specific political candidates. Gingrich will hold a media session with Deal following their meeting.

If Gingrich announces Thursday, he would become the first Republican to get into the race, giving him extra time to answer questions about his past and then try to turn the focus toward issues. As media attention intensified about the trip, campaign took pains to separate itself from America group and presidential ambitions resources used via group be used for presidential

Any doubts that his personal life would flare up were erased during a speech at the University of Pennsylvania last week where a student confronted him about the affair.

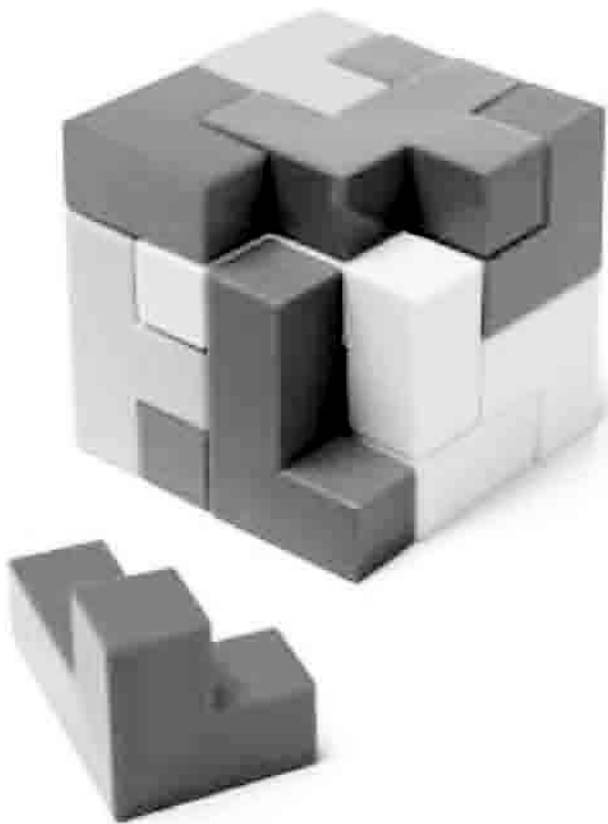
"I've had a life which, on occasion, has had problems," Gingrich replied. "I believe in a forgiving God, and the American people will have to decide whether that's their primary concern. If the primary concern of the American people is my past, my candidacy would be irrelevant. If the primary concern of the American people is the future ... that's a debate I'll be happy to have with your candidate or any other candidate if I decide to run."

Supporters say he must take on his past directly, and quickly.

"I think those questions will be asked," said Iowa House Majority Leader Linda Upmeyer, who is already backing Gingrich. "I think it'd be foolish to think: 'Oh, that was a long time ago. They probably won't think about that.'"

Not everyone is willing to let him off the hook.

"Newt Gingrich's election would send a terrible signal to anyone who's working to live a morally upright life," said Jerry Luquire, head of the Georgia Christian Coalition. "I would find it very hard to vote for him."



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LIBYA

# Refugees flee violent tumult



Indian workers rush to get aboard a ship leaving for Alexandria, Egypt, from the eastern city of Benghazi, Libya, Tuesday.

Associated Press

GENEVA — Violence and chaos in Libya have triggered an exodus of more than 140,000 refugees to Tunisia and Egypt, a U.N. official said, as aid workers warned the situation at the Tunisian border has reached crisis point.

Officials say the situation has been made even more volatile by humanitarian aid workers being blocked from reaching western Libya, patients reportedly being executed in hospitals, or shot by gunmen hiding in ambulances.

At the Libya-Tunisian border — where authorities say up to 75,000 people have gathered in just nine days — “the situation is reaching crisis point,” U.N. refugee agency spokeswoman Melissa Fleming warned Tuesday.

She said 14,000 people fled to Tunisia on Monday and another 15,000 are expected to flee Tuesday.

The U.N. is setting up enough tents to hold 12,000 people and plans two more airlifts Thursday to bring in tents and supplies for 10,000 more, but water supplies are “precarious,” she warned.

Italy said late Tuesday after an emergency meeting on the Libya crisis that it will send a humanitarian mission to the Tunisian border to assist some 10,000 refugees.

In Egypt, authorities said another 69,000 people have fled into the country from Libya in the past 10 days, most of them Egyptians who have already been taken to other towns and cities.

Thousands of Vietnamese and Bangladeshis at the Libyan side of the border with Tunisia are “in urgent need of food, water and shelter,” said Jemini Pandya, a spokeswoman for the International Organization for Migration. Nepalese, Ghanaians and Nigerians are also sleeping unprotected at the borders, she added.

“With thousands of migrants still awaiting authorization to enter Tunisia, there is an urgent need to decongest the border area which lacks adequate facilities to host large numbers of people,” IOM’s Tunisia mission chief Marc Petzold said.

IOM officials say many thousands of people are also stranded at Libya’s Benghazi port in cold weather and with scant

supplies of food. The organization said it is trying to arrange evacuation for those people by boat to Alexandria in Egypt.

Thousands of Vietnamese, Egyptians, Indians, Turks, Tunisians, Chinese and Thai laborers are streaming across the border at Ras Adjir, in Tunisia lugging mattresses, blankets, overstuffed duffel bags and suitcases on wheels. Some recount memories of being subjected to mock executions as they knelt in front of the Libyan army, or of hiding in the desert while awaiting rescue.

Fleeing workers were also being targeted by opponents of Gadhafi, mistaking them for mercenaries allegedly being used to quash the rebellion that has swept through large parts of the country, said aid officials speaking on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals.

The Libyan embassy in Vienna — which has turned its back on Gadhafi, as have other delegations in New York and Geneva — described the “repression and premeditated murder of the Libyan population” as “terrible and indescribable.”

Embassy staff issued a state-

ment urging Gadhafi to “summon his courage and make public an immediate and determined decision in which he meets the demands of the people to resign to prevent more bloodshed.”

Fleming said refugees have described people being targeted and killed, and other said they were trapped, threatened and hunted.

“Others tell us about forced evictions and attacks on their homes,” she said.

International Committee of the Red Cross spokeswoman Anna Newton said ambulances and hospitals were being “misused” in ways that threatened the lives of people trapped in the unrest.

She said her organization was trying to prevent “credible” but unspecified reports of an undetermined number of patients being executed in Libyan hospitals.

German Foreign Minister Guido Westerwelle on Tuesday urged the U.N. to appoint someone to coordinate efforts in Libya, and serve as the face of the international community there. “We need a U.N. special envoy to and for Libya,” he told reporters.

YEMEN

# President blames U.S., Israel for recent unrest

Associated Press

SANAA — Yemen’s embattled president on Tuesday accused the U.S., his closest ally, of instigating the mounting protests against him, but the gambit failed to slow the momentum for his ouster.

Hundreds of thousands rallied in cities across Yemen against the government of President Ali Abdullah Saleh, in the largest of the protests of the past month, including one addressed by an influential firebrand cleric, a former ally of Saleh, whom the U.S. has linked to al-Qaida.

“Go on until you achieve your demands,” Sheikh Abdul-Majid al-Zindani told tens of thousands of demonstrators in the capital of Sanaa. A former U.S. ambassador to Yemen called al-Zindani’s decision to turn against President Ali Abdullah Saleh a major setback for the president.

Some warned that the current political turmoil and possible collapse of Saleh’s regime could give a further opening to Yemen’s offshoot of the global terror network, al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula.

James Jones, former White House National Security Advisor, warned a Washington conference that Yemen’s crisis “could deepen the current vacuum of power in Yemen on which al Qaida has thrived.”

The Yemen-based al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, believed to have been involved in the attempted 2009 bombing of an American airliner, is seen as particularly active and threatening to the U.S.

Saleh has been a weak but important U.S. ally in the fight against al-Qaida, accepting tens of millions of dollars in U.S. military and other aid and allowing American drone strikes on al-Qaida targets.

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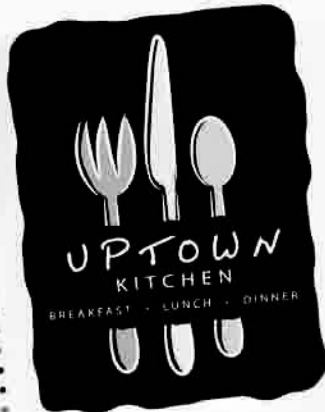
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# Governor defends budget under Union pressure

Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — After focusing for weeks on his proposal to strip public employees of collective bargaining rights, Gov. Scott Walker on Tuesday presented his full budget — a plan that cuts \$1.5 billion in aid to public schools and local government but avoids any tax or fee increases, furloughs or widespread layoffs.

Walker said the cuts could be paid for in large part by forcing government employees to pay more for their pension and health

care benefits. And the governor whose cost-cutting ideas have stirred a national debate over public-sector unions gave no indication he would soften his demand to reduce their power at the negotiating table.

“This is a reform budget,” Walker told lawmakers inside the Assembly chamber as protesters on the floor below screamed, banged on drums and blew horns. “It is about getting Wisconsin working again, and to make that happen, we need a balanced budget that works — and

an environment where the private sector can create 250,000 jobs over the next four years.”

Walker’s legislation has drawn tens of thousands of demonstrators to the Capitol over the last three weeks, and tensions were still evident when Walker outlined the budget during a joint session of the Legislature convened under heavy security. Assembly Democrats refused to stand and greet the governor as he arrived to speak.

“It feels like we’re announcing a going-out-of-business sale,” said state Rep. Cory Mason, a Democrat from Racine who criticized Walker’s proposed cuts to education.

Walker’s budget places “the entire burden of Wisconsin’s budget shortfall on our children, our most vulnerable citizens in need of health care and long-term care, and our dedicated public employees,” said Robert Kraig, director of the consumer advocacy group Citizen Action of Wisconsin.

Doing so is Walker’s “own value choice, not an economic necessity forced on him by others,” Kraig said.

The governor released his two-year budget in part to support his argument that public-worker concessions are essential to confront a projected \$3.6 billion shortfall. His proposal to eliminate most collective bargaining remains in limbo after Senate Democrats fled the state to prevent a vote.

Wisconsin “cannot grow if our people are weighed down paying for a larger and larger government, a government that pays its workers unsustainable benefits that are out of line with the private sector,” he said. “We need a leaner and cleaner state government.”

By eliminating most collective bargaining, Walker says, state agencies, local governments and school districts will have flexibility to react quickly to the cuts.

Even though Walker isn’t ordering immediate layoffs of state workers, his budget will put tremendous pressure on schools and local governments, which will be asked to shoulder huge cuts without raising property taxes to make up the difference.

Walker’s budget includes a nearly 9 percent cut in aid to schools, which would amount to a reduction of nearly \$900 million. The governor also proposed requiring school districts to reduce their property tax authority by an average of \$550 per pupil — a move that makes it more difficult for schools to make up the lost money.

Additionally, cities would get nearly \$60 million less in aid, an 8.8 percent cut, while counties would lose more than \$36 million, a 24 percent reduction. They would not be allowed to increase property taxes except to account for new construction.

Walker estimates that his controls on property taxes would save \$736 over the next two years for the owner of a home valued at the median price of \$161,300.

He proposed a \$500 million cut to Medicaid, which would be achieved through a number of changes that include increasing co-payments and deductibles and requiring participants in SeniorCare to be enrolled in Medicare Part D, too.

Walker asked for \$82 million in tax cuts, including an expanded exclusion for capital gains realized on investments made in Wisconsin-based businesses. The Legislature previously approved more than \$117 million in Walker-backed tax cuts that take

effect later this year.

The budget also cuts funding at most state agencies, by 10 percent, except for salary and benefits.

He would permanently eliminate 735 positions that have been vacant for more than a year. Some other jobs could be cut, but no widespread layoffs were envisioned. State spending over the next two years would go up a paltry 1.3 percent.

Walker targeted many law changes passed by Democrats in recent years.

He wants to undo changes made by Democrats to allow prisoners to earn time off their sentences for good behavior. Instead, Walker would reinstitute a truth-in-sentencing law that he sponsored while a member of the Assembly.

He would no longer allow children of illegal immigrants who attend state universities and colleges to pay in-state tuition.

As expected, Walker proposed removing the flagship Madison campus from the University of Wisconsin system, leaving 12 other four-year campuses and 13 two-year universities. The system has been ordered to study a similar move for the Milwaukee campus.

Over the next several months, the Legislature will review Walker’s budget and offer revisions, with the expectation that lawmakers would vote by early summer.

It wasn’t clear when Senate Democrats would return to take up his collective bargaining proposal. Walker said in his speech that their inaction could lead to thousands of layoffs in order to balance the budget, but decisions on whether to cut teachers and other local government employees are not up to Walker.

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## House shutdown averted; Gov't votes for budget cuts

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House passed emergency short-term legislation Tuesday to cut federal spending by \$4 billion and avert a government shutdown. Senate Democrats agreed to follow suit, handing Republicans an early victory in their drive to rein in government.

The bill that cleared the House on a bipartisan vote of 335-91 eliminates the threat of a shutdown on March 4, when existing funding authority expires. At the same time, it creates a compressed two-week timeframe for the White House and lawmakers to engage in what looms as a highly contentious negotiation on a follow-up bill to set spending levels through the Sept. 30 end of the fiscal year.

The Senate set a vote on the short-term measure for Wednesday morning, the final step before it goes to President Barack Obama for his signature. “We’ll pass this and then look at funding the government on a long-term basis,” said Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev.

The White House, which earlier in the day called publicly for an interim measure of up to five weeks, stopped short of saying the president would sign the legislation.

“The President is encouraged

by the progress Congress is making towards a short-term agreement,” the president’s spokesman, Jay Carney, said. “Moving forward, the focus needs to be on both sides finding common ground in order to reach a long-term solution that removes the kind of uncertainty that can hurt the economy and job creation.”

House Republicans were more eager to draw attention to the bill that was passing with the acquiescence of the White House and Democrats than to the challenge yet ahead.

“Now that congressional Democrats and the administration have expressed an openness for spending cuts, the momentum is there for a long-term measure that starts to finally get our fiscal house in order,” said Majority Leader Eric Cantor of Virginia.

“Changing the culture of borrowing and spending in Washington is no small feat, but I am heartened by today’s action and it shows that Republicans have started to make the meaningful changes that voters called for in the last election.”

The GOP won control of the House and gained seats in the Senate last fall with the backing of tea party activists demanding deep cuts in spending and other steps to reduce the federal government.



INSIDE COLUMN

## All aboard the bandwagon

It's that time of year. With the NHL and NBA trade deadlines passed, the playoff races are in full swing. That means one thing: bandwagon season.

Like many sports fans, I used to hate bandwagoners. It always made me furious when people who knew nothing about a team suddenly became fans when they started winning or the playoffs came around.



Sam Gans

*Sports  
Production Editor*

This was further amplified two years ago. Being from a Columbus suburb, I am a diehard Blue Jackets fan (yes, we exist) — my family has season tickets, I've been to about 150 games, I can name the entire roster — all that stuff.

(A quick disclaimer: I'm not saying that anyone who doesn't attend any games or doesn't know every detail is a bandwagoner, as long as they care through the struggles and always have a general idea what is happening.)

After eight years of brutal hockey, they finally qualified for the playoffs in 2009. Naturally, everyone was a fan, starting in March near the end of the regular season. People that had made fun of me a year prior were now joining me and the other "real" Jacket fans. While I was happy there was a lot of buzz generated, it was upsetting that people who could only name a few players were acting as if they knew everything about the team. Of course, four playoff games and zero play-off wins later (thanks, Red Wings), most of the bandwagoners jumped off.

But a strange thing happened. With the Jackets knocked out, I felt a bit of a lull in my sports world. So I became the one thing I couldn't stand: a bandwagoner.

I had never really followed the NBA. But at that time, the NBA playoffs were just underway, and I chose one of the league's best, the Cleveland Cavaliers, as "my team." Though I have no connection to Cleveland — and I emphasize that — and I'm not a Browns or Indians fan (Titans and Mets, both long stories) I decided to pull for the home state team. Plus, they had a superstar with a cool French-sounding first name (he's no longer with the team, but I doubt he's that good. French players rarely are.)

That experience changed my perspective on bandwagon fans. I realized that it was okay to be one. It could even lead to one following more passionately in the future, a good thing (I'm a bigger Cavs fan now than when "that one guy" was there.) However, a bandwagoner has to know his or her place, which includes not acting like he or she knows everything about the team or acting like he or she has always been a huge fan. And, of course, the joys of winning will never be as sweet to bandwagoners as those who dealt with the hardships.

With the Jackets in the midst of a play-off race (the Cavs ... not so much), I'm sure the entire city of Columbus is starting to get amped up again. Unlike two years ago, I now say "hop on."

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

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## The future of books

Books have been a remarkably constant artistic creation for thousands of years. We flip through the pages of Homer's epic poetry of 2,700 years ago in much the same way as we might Stephen

King's epic Dark Tower Series. So too with the musings of Marcus Aurelius and the autobiography of Bill Clinton. The characters of Euripides jump from written words to our mind just as Jonathan Franzen's. This durability is all the more impressive against the backdrop of changes in other art forms — compare the Athenian acropolis to the New York City skyline; Greek vase paintings to da Vinci's Mona Lisa to Norman Rockwell; the plays of Shakespeare to Avatar or Inception. Surely this timelessness is part of the book's appeal. Reading a great story is no small emotional investment. It is an intimate endeavor that asks from us just as much as it provides. But can books survive in the modern world? Some commentators have castigated modernity as too fragmented and fast-paced for the novel to remain relevant, what with Twitter, blogging and the 24-hour news cycle.

Philosopher Marshall McLuhan called books a "hot" media — they require a lot of effort. Contrast this with TV, a "cool" media — not difficult to consume, a lot of stimulation in reward. We are forced to assimilate all the details of a book into a coherent whole, to take words and create pictures. We are asked to come back again and again, sitting after sitting, slowly inching along. No matter how exquisite a movie or how beautiful a monument, books are fundamentally different. Their beauty is in the mind — a great book written on paper napkins is still better than a lesser one, no matter how well packaged. This might seem like a dying art in the modern age. Even the most fantastical

worlds can be portrayed on TV and movie screens all over the world. Why should we bother with the effort of constructing worlds when we don't have to?

There are many pieces of evidence that seem to suggest that books are past their prime. Nicholas Carr laments in his 2008 piece in The Atlantic, "Is Google Making Us Stupid?" that the rise of the Internet makes it harder for him to focus on reading difficult or extended material, saying that the internet is inherently designed to "scatter our attention," unlike the focusing effect of novels. MIT psychologist Sherry Turkle agrees in her recent book, "Alone Together." She argues that the culture of the novel is dying, with harmful societal consequences. She points to studies that reveal a startling lack of empathy among modern college students and asserts that other research has shown that reading novels increases one's capacity for empathy. Surveys consistently show that Americans are reading fewer books per year compared to the past decades. Thus, the situation appears very dire indeed.

However, we humans seem to have an innate tendency for melodrama. Ironically, 2,500 years ago Socrates warned that books cause us to be forgetful. And while this may be true (the advent of the written word made bards like Homer who could memorize entire epics like the Iliad obsolete) books have come to be a culturally beneficial development on the whole. There is reason for optimism despite the perceived full-frontal assault on reading. Technology is making books of all sorts more accessible than ever. Rather than trekking to a bookstore, you can now buy and read eBooks instantaneously from Barnes & Noble or Amazon, usually for much lower prices. Many of the classics are free online through Google Books and other sources.

To be sure, the Internet and electronics will cause the craft of writing to change. However, this need not be a cause of alarm. Authors will have more tools at their disposal to display their mastery. Imagine reading an

eBook where the page color changes slightly according to the mood, music plays at different times to heighten the drama or the background matches the setting in the novel. Pictures and live content could be added seamlessly to augment the narrative. Maybe you don't understand a particular reference or allusion. Click on the phrase, and a concise bubble pops up to explain it or you are rerouted to a Wikipedia page. These developments will make reading a more rewarding, textured experience, and certainly allow new methods for artistic expression on the part of authors.

What about the charge that reading extended narratives simply doesn't fit in modern society? This charge overlooks a fundamental aspect of human nature, something that can't simply be ameliorated by Twitter or TV. We deeply desire the satisfactions provided by novels — getting to know characters intimately, following detailed stories to their conclusion over a long period of time. Reading is the form of the art that most mirrors reality — unlike two hour movies, the time frame often fits with our lives.

As we read books, they become a part of us. We read F. Scott Fitzgerald, and while engrossed in the world of Gatsby, start to notice the gilded things around us. We read Orwell and become heightened to the darker side of politics; we read The Picture of Dorian Gray and look in the mirror a little differently. No matter how laudable the acting performances or how profound the Tweet, we desire the granular detail and extended pleasures of books. It is this essential desire that has given books their profound power and immutability since the dawn of writing, and it is this same desire that will ensure that they remain relevant, in some form or other, as we march towards the future.

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Edward Larkin

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Proud to be a Notre Dame alumna

Dear student section,

Monday night's basketball game brought tears to my eyes. Not because of the players, but because of you. You are a classy bunch — first with your pride in the student section, then with your audible support of every player on the bench and on the court and finally with your chant thanking the seniors. You made me proud to be a Notre Dame graduate, and I just wanted to write in and say thank you.

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John Keats  
English lyric poet

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Silence is one of the hardest arguments to refute."*

Josh Billings  
U.S. humorist



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

America's need  
for unions

When discussing the events revolving around the protests occurring in many state capitols such as Wisconsin and Indiana, there is a need for clarification: Unions in their entirety only represent less than one-fourth of the entire United States workforce. What does this mean? It is false when union workers claim that the bills being discussed in State Capitols, which are restricting or even annihilating bargaining rights, are an assault on the rights of workers. It's in fact a hyperbole! Doing nothing with respect to the "rights" of the few whose salary increases every year without an end in sight despite what is going on in the rest of the economy is an actual assault on the true workforce of our great nation — small businesses, the backbone of America! If people begin to forget this simple fact and put forward instead the agendas of power hungry unions, then our land of opportunism has converted into the land of crybabies clamoring for what they think is rightfully theirs to keep, or as Friedrich von Hayek coins it, the road to serfdom.

I dare say that without unions, living wages would incrementally rise. With more opportunities for private individuals to invest and improve markets previously dominated by labor unions, such as transportation and public education, efficiency would rise and even more opportunities would reveal themselves. To put this in perspective, the fundamental problem Americans face is the lack of having real choice. Parents can't choose which public school they want to send their kids to, which is why charter schools are catching on in popularity. Why? Because they offer choice and efficiency, something their public school counterparts lack. With our current system we are under the tyranny of monopolies, and that is why we do not need unions.

Juan Manuel Segura

freshman

Fisher Hall

Mar. 1

Prejudice runs  
deeper

Holden,

I agree that it must be annoying to be assumed to be an athlete ("Non-athlete shirts a reminder," Mar. 1), but I think that the problem goes deeper than that annoyance. Many people will claim that they make this assumption because such a large percentage of black people at Notre Dame are athletes that it is just statistically probable that you are an athlete, but this is really an excuse.

Our society is accustomed to seeing black athletes on a regular basis, but the majority of our culture is still uncomfortable with the idea of black intellectuals. The roots of this prejudice are obvious. So when someone sees you on campus, their initial reaction is to assume that you are an athlete because they have trouble with the idea that you could actually be intelligent enough to get in to Notre Dame without the aid of athletics. It's not so much active discrimination as acquired prejudice that dominant culture has thrust upon all of us. It is not the fault of anyone exposed to it, but we each have a duty to make a conscious effort to combat those prejudices. To me, the non-athlete shirts symbolize a commitment to that effort.

Alex Andre

sophomore

Stanford Hall

Mar. 1

Spring Break:  
a time for shenanigans

Tell us all about your  
wild plans.

The real kings  
of the Oscar

With "The King's Speech" winning three out of the four major awards at the 83rd Annual Academy Awards this past Sunday, the real winners were Harvey and Bob Weinstein, the co-chairmen of The Weinstein Company and founders of now defunct Miramax. Although I wanted "The Social Network" to win Best Picture and David Fincher to win Best Director, I do recognize that "The King's Speech" was a very well made movie that was headed by its strong cast. However, the Weinstein brothers once again showed why they are the masters at maneuvering through the politics of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences in order to deliver Oscar nominations and wins.

Since 1989, movies produced under companies headed by the Weinstein brothers have been nominated for best picture twenty times, with four of those being wins. Some years they had multiple movies that were nominated for best picture. For example, in 2002, "Chicago," "Gangs of New York" and "Hours" were all produced by Miramax and nominated for Best Picture, with "Chicago" receiving the golden statue. The Weinstein Brothers have crafted several successful campaigns to win Oscars, but the biggest prize, Best Picture, is something they put all their efforts in.

In 1998, "Shakespeare in Love" beat "Saving Private Ryan" and "The Thin Red Line" — two films that have changed the way war films are made. For the first time ever a romantic comedy won Best Picture, defeating the legendary Steven Spielberg and one of his masterpieces. Other notable wins include "The English Patient" edging out " Fargo" and "Jerry Maguire," and "Chicago" prevailing over "The Pianist" and "The

Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers," respectively.

Now I am giving these facts in order to illustrate one thing — that the Academy is run by politics and throughout its history has failed to recognize and reward true talent. Alfred Hitchcock, possibly the greatest and most influential director of all time, was nominated for Best Director five times and never won. Stanley Kubrick, another big screen legend, was nominated for Best Director four times and never won. Controversial Best Picture snubs include "2001: A Space Odyssey," "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," "Rear Window," "Vertigo," "Psycho," "The Birds," "Empire Strikes Back" (the best Star Wars movie by the way), "Blade Runner," "The Usual Suspects" and "Memento."

Now what does this mean about the Oscars if the Academy has failed to acknowledge truly great films? An Oscar is a meaningless award — the real measure of films is not measured by how many golden statues it wins, but how it changes the medium and is remembered by the audience. Ten years from now I will not remember "The King's Speech," but I will remember "The Social Network" and "Inception." David Fincher and Christopher Nolan will most likely never win an Oscar. The Weinstein Company will continue to produce Oscar bait.

Well, for the Academy? They can keep watching movies that remind them of the Golden Age of cinema because for now, the top keeps on spinning and spinning.

Bryan Dimas

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Stanford Hall

Mar. 1

## EDITORIAL CARTOON







You probably haven't visited a lot of places on campus. You've been to the Grotto, the Hesburgh Library, South Dining Hall and the Main Building. You've attended a theatrical performance, gone to hip hop night, seen the Keenan Revue (pre-SAO revisions), eaten at all the campus cafés and attended a Mass in the Basilica.

You think you've seen everything worth seeing. But you have probably never been to the Reyes Organ and Choral Hall in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, which houses the spectacular Fritts Organ.

The instrument dominates the room: It cost \$1 million and took a year to construct from the wood of an 800-year-old Douglas Fir. The most intriguing part of

the room is not the organ's intricate carvings representing the four elements, or the blue-sheathed lights hanging from the ceiling. It is the small stuffed bird perched on the mantle above the keyboard. It's like something out of a child's, "Can you find the objects in this picture?" puzzle.

Can you spot the stuffed animal amidst the shiny golden wood of the organ? And what is a child's toy doing on this outrageously large and expensive instrument?

Craig Cramer, professor of music, said during his first years of teaching, he discouraged his students from improperly saying "et cetera." During his lectures, he would say, "quack" in the place of "et cetera." His students picked up on this, and stuffed ducks began appearing

everywhere.

The duck that resides on the organ used to perch on the organ in Crowley Hall. After the Fritts Organ was installed, someone moved the duck to the center as a joke, and it has been there ever since. The duck has only been removed on one occasion, during the first student recital when a student couldn't stand to perform with the duck staring at him.

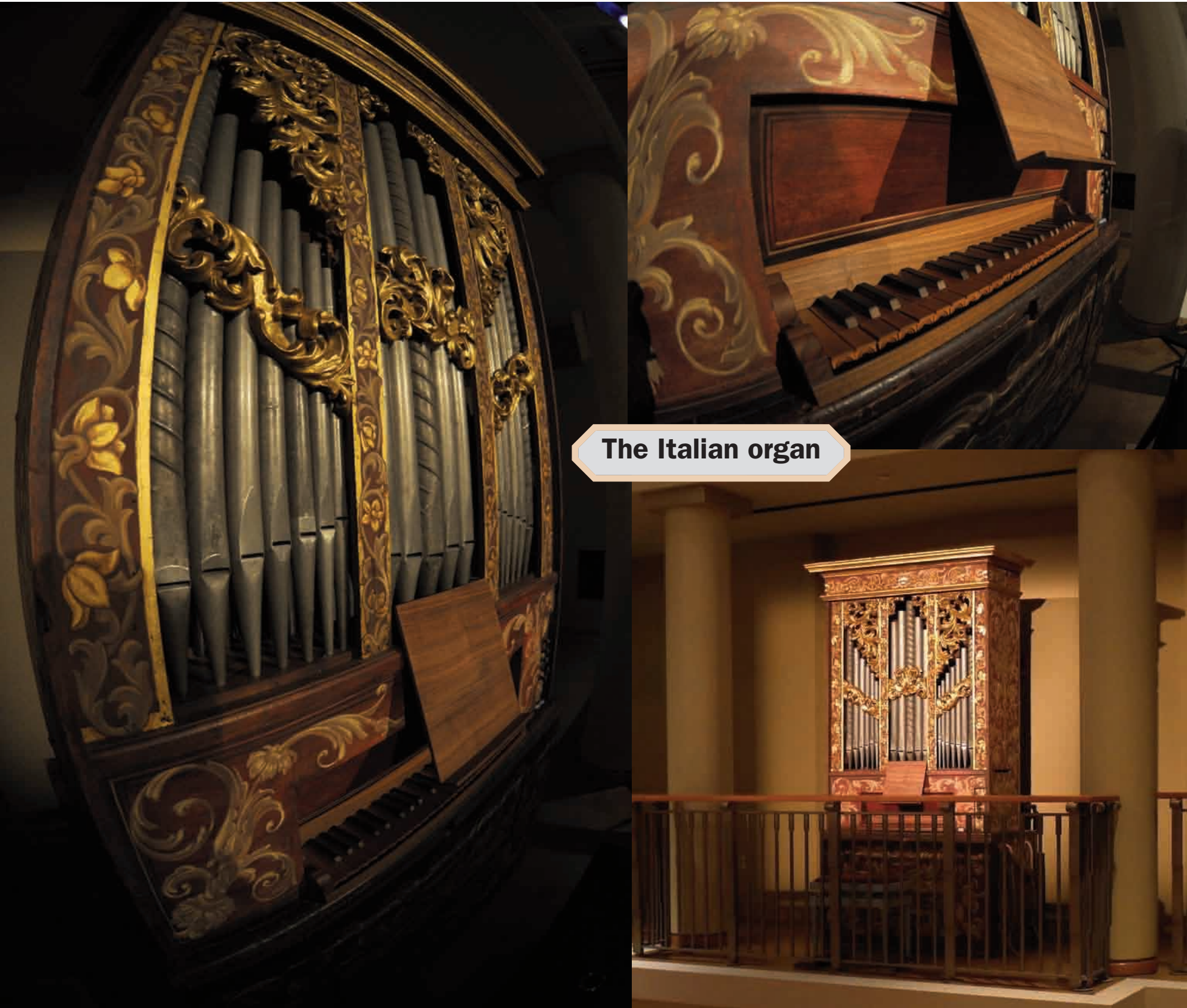
Across from the organ and its duck is a smaller but far more intricate Italian organ, built in Naples around 1680. This organ is a recent addition to the University, allowing students and guests to perform Italian organ music on an original antique organ. There are fewer than a dozen organs of this type in the

United States, making the Italian organ a truly rare gem.

Guest performances by outside musicians are held about three times per year. In March and April, nearly a dozen masters of sacred music graduate students and organ performance undergraduates will perform recitals. Whether one seeks to appreciate fine music or to look for the out-of-place stuffed bird, a performance in the hall is definitely an experience every Notre Dame student should have.

*The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.*

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The Italian organ

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The Fritts Organ



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CLUB SPORTS

Men’s volleyball takes third at Indiana Classic

Women’s hockey drops a pair of close contests to Maulers; cycling finishes first in time trial at contest in St. Louis

Special To The Observer

The Irish had another record setting weekend, as they took 3rd place at the 2011 Hoosier-Illini Classic. The Irish dominated Saturday’s play, and won their pool with ease, defeating Marquette (25-18, 25-22), University of Illinois-Chicago (25-23, 25-21), and Lakeland (25-21, 25-20). After clinching the top spot in their original pool the Irish were paired off with another pool winner, Purdue, which would determine seeding in Sunday’s tournament play. The Irish handled the Boilermakers with ease, defeating them in straight sets (25-17, 25-21).

The Irish entered Sunday’s tournament as the No. 3 seed overall, and were matched up against a national top-ten opponent, Virginia Tech. After losing the first game of the match 25-23, the Irish rebounded and blew out the Hokies in the final two games, 25-13, 15-7.

In the semifinals against Ohio State, the Irish jumped out to a fast start. Although they wavered in game two, they were able to defeat the Buckeyes in an intense, three-game match (25-20, 26-28, 15-11).

The Irish faced off against perennial powerhouse and conference rival UW-Oshkosh in the championship. Though the Irish defeated the Titans earlier in the month, Oshkosh was on top of their game on Sunday. After falling behind early, the Irish fought their way back into the game, but dropped the first set 25-23. Facing elimination, the Irish played great defense to steal a game-two victory 25-23. However, the Titans’ powerful serving proved too much for the Irish in the third set, and Notre Dame lost its first match of the weekend 15-9.

Women’s Water Polo

Notre Dame hosted the Irish Invitational this weekend at the Rolf’s Aquatic Center. 10 teams from throughout the country traveled to South Bend to compete in the tournament.

The Irish started off the

weekend strong on Friday night with a 9-4 win over long-time rival Michigan State. Junior Maisie O’Malley led the Irish offensively, tallying five goals for the Irish. Senicr Ali Durkin added two goals and junior Erin Gibson’s six steals helped lead the Irish to victory over the Spartans.

The Irish continued their success Saturday morning with a 7-3 win over the University of Iowa. O’Malley’s excellent shooting from the outside led the Irish to victory. She had five goals, while Gibson and sophomore Victoria Anglin each added one. Gibson also drew three ejections and Durkin drew four to help put the points on the scoreboard for the Irish.

The Irish lost a tough 7-4 game in front of a home crowd to their rivals from the University of Florida on Saturday night. Senior Eileen Flanagan supported the Irish defense with 13 saves in the net. After a rough first half, the Irish came back strong in the third quarter with two goals from Gibson to help close the gap, but the Irish couldn’t get enough goals to overcome the Gators.

After their loss Saturday night, the Irish came back strong with a 9-3 win over Texas A&M. They stepped up their offense with the help of Gibson, who recorded five goals, and O’Malley, who added four herself. Flanagan was outstanding in the net with 17 saves.

Bowling

Notre Dame competed in the American Heartland Conference Championships for the first time under head coach Dan Dews this past weekend. After a slow start, the Irish received the No. 24 seed in a field of 32 teams. Despite the low seed, which paired the Irish with the No. 9-seeded Notre Dame College (JV), the Irish pulled off an upset in a best-of-seven game series 4-1.

In the second round, the Irish faced the No. 8 seed, Oberlin College. Oberlin won the series 4-2, placing te Irish in the second-chance bracket against Bowling Green State

University. After splitting the first four games in a best of five series, the Irish came up a little short in the final game despite a high scoring effort.

**Women’s Ice Hockey**

The Irish dropped a pair of close games this weekend to the Mystique Maulers of Dubuque, Iowa.

Sophomore Caitlin Ryan scored first for the Irish in the opening period of the first game. She broke away from the pack and found the top shelf for the only first-period goal in the contest.

Ryan added one more for the Irish, but the Maulers were too much, finishing the game with a 5-3 win.

The Irish lost another hotly contested game 4-3 to close the series. Freshman Maddie Schneeman, senior captain Karen Riedl and Ryan each registered a goal as the Irish fell just short in their comeback.

**Squash**

The ND Squash Club joined 63 other teams competing at the CSA Men’s National Squash Championships at Harvard this weekend. Enduring heartbreaking losses to Ithaca, 5-4, and Illinois 5-4, the squash team returned with a disappointing 2-3 record and ninth place finish in the Hawthorn G Division.

Exceptional effort was displayed by No. 1 sophomore Ryan Gisriel, who saved ten match points in a thrilling five-game victory over Illinois. Notable players included No. 8 junior Matt Sushinsky and No. 9 senior Kenny Schlax, who both went 5-0 for an undefeated tournament.

The club lost also to Bard, 6-3, but defeated Siena twice by 9-0 scores.

**Gymnastics**

The ND/SMC Gymnastics Club hosted its annual home meet, the Clover Classic, over the weekend. Along with the Irish, the competition included Dayton, Grand Valley State, Illinois, Iowa, Kent State, Kentucky, Michigan State, Minnesota, Penn State and Virginia Tech.

Freshman Emily Siebert and Saint Mary’s freshman Kelsey Teske posted big scores on the day. Teske’s 8.5 on floor and 7.8 on beam earned her 19th place and 18th place, respectively, while Siebert’s 8.35 on floor and 8.1 on beam earned her 22nd and 16th, respectively, in a large women’s field. The Irish women placed seventh all-around despite strong total scores of 30.1 from Teske, 28.15 from sophomore Katie Carney and 22.7 from freshman Katheryn Snyder.

Competing for the Irish men were ND senior Patrick Gorman, and juniors Mike Hannigan and Kyle Sandberg.

On the men’s side, junior Kyle Sandberg’s strong score of 12.1 on floor was good enough to earn him eighth in a very strong men’s field. Other strong performances included junior Mike Hanningan’s fifth-place finish on rings with a score of 12.4 and sixth all-around with a score of 61. Senior Patrick Gorman finished just behind Hannigan, placing eighth in the all-around with a 55.5.

The Irish will travel to Ypsilanti to compete at Eastern Michigan University’s annual Michigan Madness meet on March 26.

Cycling

MWCC racing at Lindenwood College in St. Louis, Mo. started on Saturday morning with the Men’s C-team time trial. Notre Dame worked well together and won the 20 kilometer race by over 90 seconds.

The road races were Saturday afternoon, and the men’s C-team completed one 25 mile circuit while the men’s A-squad completed 3.25 mile circuits. The course was the most difficult in the conference, with five major climbs per lap and strong crosswinds.

In the men’s C division, freshman Josh Corcoran crashed early on but was able to continue and finish the race. Graduate student Andrew O’Donnell had a mechanical issue with his bike at the beginning but recovered well to finish in

20th place in a field of 50 riders. Sophomore Michael Tonzi was the best of the five Irish riders to start, and finished with the leaders in 11th overall.

Fifty miles into the men’s A-team race, sophomore Joe Magro went over the top of the largest climb on the course with three other riders, two who are professional riders, with a slight advantage over the remaining field. This group was never caught and Magro finished in seventh place out of 45 starters, and was the top finisher of the Division-II riders. Graduate student Douglas Ansel rode well and was able to finish a career best 16th place.

The Irish competed Sunday in the Criterium. The course was one kilometer long with a short steep climb into the wind every lap.

In men’s C, Tonzi and O’Donnell were able to hang with the main field and both finished in the top-20 overall. Corcoran hovered just behind the main field the entire race and finished nearly 30 seconds behind the lead group.

After 10 minutes of racing, half of the men’s A field had been dropped by the leaders and pulled from competition. Ansel was not able to finish the race, but Magro hung in the lead group for 46 of the race’s 60 minutes. One of only three non-varsity riders in the lead group and one of five total to finish the race, Magro finished in 18th position and scored more conference and nationals qualification points.

**Disc Golf**

The MIDGC came to South Bend on Saturday, bringing with it a team of five from Ferris State to compete against six on the Irish squad. The snow and 30-degree weather kept other schools away, so it was a showdown between Notre Dame and Ferris State. It was a good team performance overall given the conditions. Notre Dame’s earned points moved the squad ahead of Central Michigan in the series, and within striking distance of Western Michigan.

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haikus are easy but sometimes they don't make sense refrigerator

she dances lithely seduction under the moon o- hey, a nickel!

My life is Jello Sitting and waiting in the bowl Patiently to gel

Yellow flowers spin. The slimy, nosy ears trip. Blue hedgehogs quiver.

Fluttering, stars bounce. A cat sways carmine fruits. Wisdom spreads water.

Chaos reigns within. Reflect, repent, and reboot. Order shall return.

Red tricycles trip. Goofy tinkles blancmanges. The noses giggle.

Winter admits joy. Your full summer startles boats. Earth startles flowers.

I wake reluctant to get out of bed. But I have to pee

Fat man sees small doork He knows he cannot fit through. Tears flow freely now.

A hypotenuse is on the opposite side of a right angle

A white plastic fork Met three silver spoons last night Stuck-up spoons are dumb.

"Love tap?" yeah right. You kicked my beautiful head. i don't call that love.

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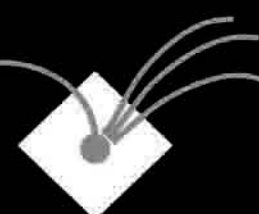
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# Golab

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Moreno. Golab got right back in Moreno's face, but was unable to turn the momentum in his favor despite a strong final series of blows. By the end of the round, Golab reestablished control over the junior with a number of body-head combinations that left Moreno swinging out of control on defense.

Though Golab struggled to land punches initially, he improved as the fight went on, eventually displaying power and accuracy that earned him the split-decision victory.

## 182 pounds

**Mike "Nobody Puts Baby in a Corner" Urciuoli def. William "The Captain" Paape**

The off-campus senior Urciuoli opened the fight in the first round delivering a solid right hook to the Sorin sophomore Paape, while also evading heavy hits by slightly leaning back. Later in the round, Paape was able to return fire, launching a series of hooks with both hands. Paape broke away from his almost machine-like style in the second round, exchanging wild flails with Urciuoli. While neither opened up well, both finished strong in the round, trading excruciating right hooks.

Despite his obvious fatigue, Urciuoli fended off Paape's numerous lunges in the final stanza and strung together some devastating combinations, consisting of right hooks, left hooks and uppercuts. Urciuoli was granted the split decision victory to advance to the finals.

**Tyler "Tuna" Plantz def. Tom "Son of Ted" Carnevale**

The freshman Plantz came out strong in the first round, using his speed and low center of gravity to get in close and land a number of hits on Carnevale's head. Carnevale, an off-campus junior, played defense for a large part of the round, as he clung to the ropes while fending off Plantz's punches.

In the second round, both sides came out aggressively but both had trouble connecting with any strong punches early. The Morrissey resident Plantz got Carnevale up against the ropes once again before landing a flurry of powerful punches to his opponent's head.

The third round opened with the two fighters trading punches, and Carnevale was able to turn the tables and get Plantz against the ropes. Plantz came back with another series of hits to the upperclassman's head. In a split decision, Plantz earned the victory.

## 192 pounds

**Mike "The Bringer of Rain" Doran def. Alex "The Mac Attack" Macomber**

In his bout with the Siegfried senior Macomber, the off-campus senior Doran brought the rain.

Doran's quickness and agility allowed him to evade many early jabs from Macomber, coercing him into many swings and misses. The second round, highlighted by ducking and dodging, saw each fighter showcase their defensive skills, blocking each attempted blow and protecting their face. Near the end of the round, however, Macomber was put on the ropes and caught by a blizzard

of punches from Doran, putting him off balance. In the third and final period, Doran chased Macomber around the ring, consistently dropping right jabs along the way. Ultimately, Doran advanced to the title fight with a unanimous victory.

**Bill "The Italian Stallion" Straccia def. Tim "The Block" Wallace**

In the first round, Straccia came out swinging and immediately landed a massive punch to fellow senior Wallace's head. While Wallace, a Bengal Bouts captain, landed a number of nice jabs to his opponent's head and body, his technique took a back seat to Straccia's power in the first round.

To begin the second round, both fighters failed to make solid contact as they aimed to land big hits. As the round went on, Straccia managed to connect with a number of big hits to Wallace's head.

In the final round, Wallace came in close on Straccia and threw some quality punches while his opponent showed his fatigue, swinging wildly but failing to connect. Both fighters posted an impressive round despite their clear exhaustion. Straccia won the bout in a unanimous decision on the strength of his powerful performance in the opening rounds.

## 198 pounds

**Christopher "Stubs" Sarkis def. Daniel Hyzak**

Sarkis was announced the winner after Hyzak scratched before the fight.

**Daniel Yi def. Brian "Caesar" Salat**

In the only semifinal of the 198-pound weight class (after Christopher Sarkis advanced without a fight), Salat, a sophomore from Zahm, began by connecting on a strong left jab to the Sorin freshman Yi's face. Yi retaliated, however, by later landing a right hook to the side of Salat's head. In the second round, both fighters — who shared an upright stance and style — exchanged a number of body shots before Yi took the upper hand. Yi linked together a powerful combination of left jabs and right hooks to end the round. Immediately after the bell rang in the third round, Yi began to aggressively throw punch after punch, landing a couple to Salat's frame. A tired Salat rebounded to force Yi onto the ropes before unleashing a series of right hooks. In what was a very competitive and tight fight, Yi prevailed by split decision.

## Heavyweight Division

**Kevin Crepeau def. John "The Broker" Baumann**

In the opening round, the off-campus senior Crepeau handled the off-campus MBA student Baumann with ease, neutralizing The Broker's height advantage by hammering away with a barrage of uppercuts. The lefty Crepeau also used impactful jabs to stymie Baumann. In the second round, Baumann battled back a little, throwing a huge right hook but then leaving himself susceptible to a Crepeau uppercut that sent him flying down and into the ropes. Baumann got up and continued fighting until the bell rang. Crepeau threw one late punch just slightly after the bell and Baumann countered with one of his own. The referee separated the two and this exchange set up an intense third round. In the final stanza,

Crepeau delivered vicious combos, landing right jabs and left hooks on the now battered and tired Baumann. Judging that Baumann could not continue the bout, the referee stopped the contest one minute into the third round, awarding the semifinal victory to the Bengal Bouts captain Crepeau.

**Nathan Arnold def. Joey "The Alabaster Disaster" Hiben**

Law student Arnold and off-campus senior Hiben got straight into the action, trading punches early before Arnold lost his balance and fell to the ground. Hiben established control as he pushed his opponent around the ring with his sweeping left-handed punches, but Arnold countered by landing a few punches of his own in the round.

Arnold carried his momentum into the second round, as he connected with Hiben's head with a series of powerful punches. Hiben managed to get in a few punches before surrendering control of the round to Arnold, who sent his opponent to the ropes.

In the third round, Hiben was clearly affected by the hits he sustained earlier in the match, as his arms hung at his side, leaving his body defenseless to Arnold's blows. Hiben persisted in throwing punches, but Arnold maintained control as the referee was forced to step in a number of times on Hiben's behalf. Arnold emerged victorious following a unanimous decision.

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## NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Diebler leads No. 1 Ohio State to victory

Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Jon Diebler had career highs of 30 points and 10 3-pointers on Tuesday night and No. 1 Ohio State routed Penn State 82-61 to clinch at least a share of the Big Ten title.

Diebler went 5 of 6 from behind the arc in the first half as the Buckeyes (28-2, 15-2) built a 15-point lead and never let up. The senior's 10 3s set a school record and tied the conference record.

Freshman center Jared Sullinger bullied his way through the lane for 10 points and 10 rebounds — though he wasn't needed much in the second half with Ohio State leading by as many as 26 points.

The win allowed the Buckeyes to earn at least a share of their fourth conference championship in six years and stay one game ahead of second-place Purdue. Ohio State can claim the conference title outright with a win over No. 10 Wisconsin on Sunday.

Senior Talor Battle scored 18 points in his final regular-season home game for Penn State (15-13, 8-9).

The Nittany Lions fell way short of an upset that could have drastically improved their fading NCAA tournament chances. There was so much anticipation on campus, the game drew 15,403 fans — the sixth-largest crowd in the 15-year history

of the Jordan Center — and a record student turnout of more than 6,000.

Instead they got to watch Ohio State dissect Penn State's defense with ease in ascending to another Big Ten crown.

After an emotional pregame ceremony honoring the seniors, Penn State never found its footing and didn't have an answer for Diebler, who finished 10 of 12 from the field, all from 3-point range.



The man some fans call "3bler" lived up to his nickname. It didn't matter if he was wide open. Or fading away from a defender. Or with a bad look at the basket with a hand in his face.

With Diebler's hot hand leading the way, Ohio State shot 55 percent overall, including 60 percent (18 of 30) in the second half.

A 3-minute stretch of the first half exemplified Penn State's frustrations. Sullinger hit a 12-footer over Jeff Brooks before William Buford dunked following a steal to make it 22-10. Buford finished with 21 points.

Following a timeout, Battle tried to regain momentum for the Nittany Lions with an acrobatic scoop shot in the lane. But Diebler rushed down on the break for a 3 from the wing to make it 25-12 with about 5 minutes left in the half.

The rest of the game was a mere formality.



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## Colin “The Lion” King def. Nicholas “El Toro” Yulan

King quickly gained the upper hand in the bout, knocking Yulan around the perimeter of the ring. While King repeatedly made contact with Yulan, most of the blows “El Toro” threw were either off target or easily defended by King. Yulan began the second round with more aggression, and he succeeded in cornering the sophomore King against the ropes. But the momentum quickly shifted again after King hit Yulan with a straight punch and pushed the freshman into a corner. Yulan caught King with a right hook in the final seconds of the second round, but the third round belonged to “The Lion” King, as the sophomore from Sorin deflected all of Yulan’s hits. The bout ended with a missed swipe by King, but the sophomore was still named the winner by split decision.

### 160 pounds

## Robert Powers def. Matthew “It’s Almost Wake Week” LaBriola

Powers began the bout with a barrage of blows to LaBriola, but the Alumni junior successfully defended himself from the worst of the punishing hits. Powers remained on the offensive for the rest of the round after extricating himself from a potentially dangerous situation in the corner. The senior remained aggressive in the second round, reaching in to deliver body shots to his opponent. LaBriola, however, waited for the senior to come close before dispensing quick jabs to the aggressor. The fighters appeared to tire in the last round, and though LaBriola attempted to dodge out of the

way of Powers’ swipes, the junior was caught by a knock to the temple. Powers was finally able to land the body shots he had been attempting to dole out earlier in the previous rounds, and the senior was named the victor by unanimous decision.

## Ryan Alberdi def. Mark “Ridin’ Solo” Iandolo

Iandolo began the fight in exciting fashion, immediately going on the offensive and backing the sophomore Alberdi into a corner. Alberdi was not intimidated, however, and delivered several body shots as he battled out of the corner. The sophomore then rained a barrage of punches on the senior Iandolo before backing away, and Iandolo finished the first round with a straight punch to Alberdi’s forehead. Alberdi claimed first contact of the second round with a powerful left hook, and the sophomore batted away most of Iandolo’s attempted hits. However, the senior closed out the second round in similar fashion to the first, hitting Alberdi in the face as time expired. Iandolo began the third round very aggressively, but his lunges left him vulnerable to blows from Alberdi, and the sophomore was named the winner by unanimous decision.

### 167 pounds

## Brian “Yeah, Cool Beans” Salvi def. Richard “Mr. Glass” McAvoy

The experience accompanying the two law students to the ring was evident from the outset, with good pacing and controlled jabs from both sides. Salvi looked for openings to be aggressive, but McAvoy managed to keep his composure and avoid any serious blows.

Salvi got rolling in round two as he landed two forceful blows to the head. Though McAvoy gathered himself and attempted



Sophomore Jeff Ulrich lands a punch against sophomore Paul Hayes during a Bengal Bouts semifinal match Tuesday night. Hayes won by split decision.

a comeback, Salvi had already established control.

With a combination of alternating head and body shots, Salvi continued to gain ground on McAvoy in the final round. The remaining minutes of the fight were tense as Salvi tried to land a few knockout punches, but McAvoy managed to evade the knockout despite some impressive hits by Salvi.

In a controlled fight between the two strong fighters, Salvi’s decisive punches gave him the split decision victory.

## Jake “One Blow” Joe def. David “Mountain Man” Cray

Both fighters emerged energetically out of the gate in this New Jersey-New York battle. A series of quick jabs and quick footwork characterized the first

round, as both Joe and Cray looked for an opportunity to gain an edge.

As they danced around the ring, both Joe and Cray displayed their defensive skills. Cray attacked his opponent’s body and was able to land a series of punches before Joe came back swinging hard at his opponent’s head.

In the third round, Joe had clearly mustered enough energy to take control of the bout, as he fought his way out of a corner early with a series of punches before the two got tangled up. He continued going after his opponent, who appeared significantly worn down by the final bell.

In the end, the Empire State won the day as Joe danced his way to victory in unanimous fashion.

### 170 pounds

## Greg Bennett def. Connor “The Skeletor” Skelly

What Bennett lacked in height he made up for in intensity, as he attacked Skelly from the first bell. The rest of the first round saw a bit of a stand-off as the two juniors demonstrated control and discipline.

The second saw more of Bennett’s fervor as he used his height advantage to repeatedly pelt Skelly with a flurry of low jabs to the body. Skelly parried effectively to fend off the attacks, and even landed a couple of right hooks to Bennett’s head in the middle round.

In the third, Skelly appeared tentative and remained on the defensive, though Bennett’s persistent attacks had slowed down slightly.

In a display of passionate determination, Bennett earned the victory in a split-decision manner.

## Nick Severyn def. Robert “I’m all jacked up on Mountain Dew” Manfreda

The bout opened with both fighters displaying a methodical and careful strategy in their offensive decisions. Both blocked well, with the only significant exchange coming as Severyn threw a blow to the body of Manfreda, who threw one to the head of Severyn.

In the second round, Severyn mounted an aggressive attack at the sound of the bell. By the end of the round, Severyn had asserted his power with his carefully timed punches, one of which knocked Manfreda to the

floor.

The fighters traded jabs in the final round, and Severyn was able to land a few uppercuts before the two settled down to finish out the contest.

Severyn’s second round assertiveness and careful decision-making on offense earned the senior the unanimous victory over the sophomore.

### 176 pounds

## Bernardo “Blue” Garcia def. Giacomo Minafra

It was an exciting fight from the outset, as Garcia began by alternating between head and body punches before Minafra eventually forced him back with a head shot. Garcia utilized his height advantage to aim low and then land a huge blow to Minafra’s head.

The intensity increased in round two as Garcia and Minafra continued a back-and-forth tussle. Eventually, Garcia managed to hold his stance and land a few massive punches that pinned Minafra against the ropes and almost out of the ring.

The final round began with as much excitement as the previous two, as Minafra landed a forceful blow that initiated a countdown for Garcia. Minafra put forth a valiant effort to regain his ground and at one point pinned Garcia against the ropes, but Garcia remained composed.

In a close contest between two aggressive fighters, Garcia pulled out the split-decision victory to send Minafra home.

## Dominic “Warsaw Warhammer” Golab def. Adrian “Yo Adrian” Moreno

Golab and Moreno started off strong at the outset of the opening round, trading punches as they danced around the ring. Golab was struggling to land a few big swings, while Moreno strung together a couple of combinations to end the first round.

Like the first, the second round was a back-and-forth affair that included several momentum changes as both fighters displayed quickness and aggressiveness.

At the outset of the third round, Golab came out strong with a flurry of punches that had to be broken up by the referee to initiate a countdown for Moreno. Golab got right back in



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# Bouts

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punches landed. In the end, the judges ruled that Seim just edged Decker, giving him the split decision victory.

## Jack "Rico Suave" Lally def. Daniel Rodriguez

Neither fighter attempted to do much early in the first round, with each fighter taking a defensive strategy. Toward the end of the round, both fighters landed a series of punches, with the sophomore Lally using agile footwork to evade the freshman Rodriguez and landing a strong punch. The second round began with neither fighter attempting to attack too much. That cautious phase didn't last long, however, as Rodriguez unleashed a series of punches. Lally responded strongly, utilizing both jabs and uppercuts towards the end of the round. Unlike the first two rounds, the third round began with Lally and Rodriguez coming out aggressively. Lally landed a heavy uppercut early and Rodriguez responded with a series of hard jabs. Toward the end of the round, however, Lally gained the upper hand, knocking Rodriguez to the ropes with a series of punches as Rodriguez fatigued. The late push was enough to give Lally the split decision.

**143 pounds**

## Brett "Italian Ice" Sassetti def. Christopher "Sparta Hands" Torres

Sassetti came out aggressive, while Torres attempted a defensive approach early. This allowed Sassetti to take the early lead, as he knocked Torres to the ropes on two separate occasions. Both freshmen attempted an attacking approach in the second round. Sassetti was able to knock Torres to the ropes again, but Torres then cut Sassetti with a hard jab and hook. When the round resumed, Sassetti was able to gain control again, landing some more punches. Each fighter came out aggressively in the third round. Torres used a series of jabs and hooks, while Sassetti used a number of uppercuts and punches. In the end, Sassetti leveraged his early advantage to earn a unanimous-decision victory.

## Will "The Thrill" Peterson def. Kevin "Get 'Er" Dunne

Both the freshman Peterson and the sophomore Dunne came out aggressive early on. Each fighter threw a number of violent punches in attempts to gain the early upper hand. In the second round, the aggressiveness continued. Both fighters used a number of uppercuts and hooks to try to gain control. Near the end of the round, Peterson landed a heavy right hook, and Dunne countered with a strong punch to Peterson's headgear. Early in the third round, Peterson was able to push Dunne back against the ropes, with a series of combinations. Dunne responded, landing some hooks towards the end of the round. Peterson ended the round strong, taking control and earning the unanimous decision.

**148 pounds**

## Kevin Ortenzio def. Brian "The BK Special" Koepsel

The senior Koepsel took a cautious approach early, mak-

ing sure to not take any punches. But he successfully landed hooks when given the opportunity against the junior Ortenzio.

In the second round, Ortenzio came out strong, knocking Koepsel back against the ropes. The round finished evenly, with both fighters landing a few jabs, but not many big punches.

Ortenzio opened the final round on the offensive, landing a number of uppercuts and punches. He continued the good performance, drawing blood on a particularly hard punch. In the end, Ortenzio did enough to overcome the early deficit and earn the unanimous decision.

## Ryan "Welcome to the Jungle" Slaney def. Benjamin "The Crusha from Russia" Eichler

The freshman Eichler came out aggressive against the senior Slaney, knocking him against the ropes. Slaney, angered by being pushed to the ropes, later knocked Eichler to the mat with a flurry of punches. Slaney resumed his strong punches in the second round, throwing a hard hook that cut Eichler open. Later in the round, Slaney continued the barrage, knocking Eichler to the mat, and leading the referee to stop the contest, sending Slaney to the finals.

**154 pounds**

## Thomas "The Mean Justifies the" Enzweiler def. Inoh Choe

Choe began the first round on the offensive, landing several punches on Enzweiler before the senior returned fire. Choe had control of the round, backing Enzweiler into corners three times and making contact with several well-placed body shots. Enzweiler, however, closed out the first round by cornering the St. Edward's Hall senior against the ropes, and he carried his momentum into the next round. Enzweiler began to take advantage of his long armspan, and Choe spent much of the second round trapped in the corner. But the senior was not ready to give up, and moment again swung in his favor in the third round. Choe inflicted several punishing body shots on Enzweiler, and Enzweiler hit the floor after being beaten into a corner. Choe's furious comeback could not make up for Enweiler's dominance in the second

round, however, and Enzweiler was named the winner by unanimous decision.

## Alex "Gatto Loco" Oloriz def. Michael "Blinded by the White" Magill

The bout got off to a rousing start as the fighters traded punches. But Magill soon found himself in trouble after backing into a corner. Oloriz maintained his aggressive pace in the second round, and again beat the junior from Keough into the ropes with a successful series of combinations. The Morrissey sophomore then ended the round with a punch to Oloriz's face. The third round was more of the same as Oloriz used an aggressive start to catch his

opponent against the ropes, and the "Gatito Loco" was declared the victor by unanimous decision.

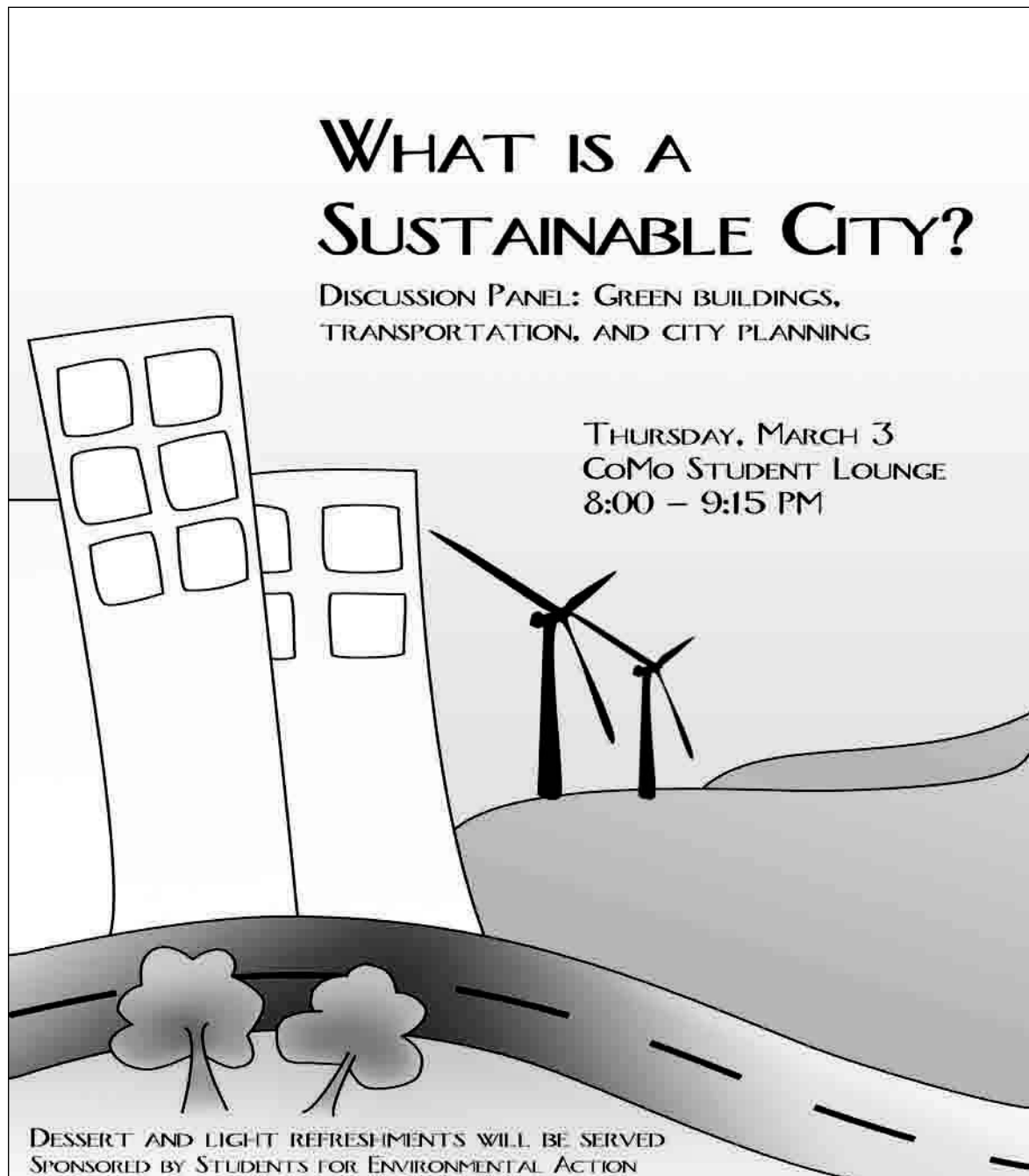
**157 pounds**

## Paul "Hawaii K.O." Hayes def. Jeff "Lil Bear" Ulrich

Ulrich defended himself from his opponent's early blows, but the sophomore from Knott Hall was thrown off balance once Hayes finally caught him with a blow. Hayes dodged out of the way of a retaliatory swipe from Ulrich, and the architecture student from Hawaii finished the round with a left hook to the side of Ulrich's head. Hayes landed the first hits of the second round, but the sophomore

returned fire by punching Hayes in the face and pushing him against the ropes. Hayes regained the upper hand in the last few seconds of the second round when he trapped Ulrich against the ropes and re-directed swipes from the sophomore. Ulrich knocked Hayes to the floor early in the third round, but Ulrich fell soon afterwards. Although Ulrich struck Hayes with a thunderous blow to the face, a knock to the head sent Ulrich staggering. Hayes suffered a strong hit to the head as the final bell was rung, but he was still named the victor by split decision.

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would play here] when I was a kid I wouldn't have believed it. I think it probably makes my mom proudest out of anybody, to be honest. She still can't believe it."

Doyle grew up as a die-hard Chicago Cubs fan. Despite the organization's oft-talked about "wait 'til next year" mentality, Doyle said he grew up idolizing a Cubs role model who played middle infield, before looking up to a Yankee infielder.

"I was always a shortstop growing up. It's funny, the first game that I played at another position was at third base the first game of my freshman year here," Doyle said. "I'm a huge Cubs fan, so [former Cubs second baseman] Ryne Sandberg was a huge role model for me.

"His career was winding down, and [Yankees shortstop] Derek Jeter was on the rise, so I started following his example. Jeter's a winner man, and that's what it's all about."

As a captain last season under former Irish coach Dave Schrage, as well as this season under newly-hired coach Mik Aoki, Doyle and fellow co-captain, senior Brian Dupra, are charged with ushering in a new era of Irish baseball. Doyle said the attitude around the program has changed already.

"I think the energy level is a lot higher around here," he said. "I think

there's a lot more focus. It's definitely a lot different — it's hard to put into words."

How well the team rebounds from a disappointing 22-32 record in 2010 will likely determine Doyle's success as a captain. Doyle said he adjusted his leadership style to help create a winning atmosphere on the team this season.

"Last year I was a captain as well. It was a little bit different," Doyle said. "I think I got away from my teammates a little bit. This year the focus is just on being one of the guys. I think it's more important to have the guy next to you's back. I think the biggest thing I've learned is that it's not necessarily what you say — it's all about your actions. People listen to you if you do things the right way."

In his final season in an Irish uniform, Doyle looks to pick up his offensive numbers from where they left off at the end of the 2009 season, a year in which the then-sophomore hit .327 with 31 runs batted in. Doyle's numbers dipped in 2010 as he hit .228 and drove in 22 runs in 180 at-bats. Though he said he has not been happy with his initial offensive numbers, including a .167 batting average during Notre Dame's 3-3 start, Doyle's goals for the season sounded eerily like something his role model Jeter would say.

"I just want to win," Doyle said with a smirk. "That's all that matters."

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Junior Eric Ringel carries the puck during a 3-2 loss to Alabama-Huntsville on October 9, 2009. After sustaining a concussion last season, Ringel is now an assistant coach for the Irish.

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"[The doctors] said the brain hadn't healed completely and that the stress I put on my body from the cardio kind of set me back."

In July, with concussion symptoms still lingering, Ringel returned to the specialist, who did not give him clearance to return to competitive hockey. At that point, Ringel said he and Jackson decided he would medically disqualify, ending his Notre Dame career.

While most players would

be devastated by this news, Ringel said the time off allowed him to prepare mentally for the potential end of his playing days.

"When I went back up to Ann Arbor that time and the decision was kind of made, I was pretty okay with it," he said. "The pros didn't outweigh the cons in terms of what I went through in December and January, and I was all right with that."

A few days later, Ringel said Jackson called him about the possibility of staying on the team as an undergraduate coach. After approval from the Athletic Department, Ringel was officially hired.

Ringel said Jackson gave him two options: He could either put hockey behind him or stay involved with the team as a coach. For Ringel, the choice was easy.

"Moving on never really crossed my mind," he said. "I love the sport too much. I still go out there and try and do as much as I can with drills or messing around after practice. I was thankful that there was a position, and even if there wasn't I'd probably still just be hanging out at the rink anyways."

Now, Ringel is a kind of liaison between the players and coaching staff, communicating when players are tired, upset or just bogged down with schoolwork.

Jackson said he always appreciates Ringel's input.

"He gives me insights because he does care," Jackson said. "He's invested in the program, and I think it's been great for him to be part of the team and he's been helpful to the coaching staff."

On the other end, Ringel said the coaches have been just as helpful to him, teaching him the ins and outs of what it takes to be a successful coach at the Division I level.

"I didn't think there was really that much to coaching. I was like, 'Oh you just put guys out there and they make you look good,'" Ringel said. "But there's a lot that goes into it. From breaking down other teams and what would work against them, what doesn't work against them. Even

just setting rules and guidelines for your team to follow, not even just on-ice stuff but off-ice stuff, and just maintaining a good balance."

At practices, Ringel's involvement varies from day to day. He said he isn't technically limited medically, but Jackson keeps tabs on his activity and condition.

"Some days he'll let me get dressed and run the mock power play," Ringel said with a smile. "But that's only been like three times this year."

Despite his new role, Ringel is still just one of the guys.

A month ago, after a 6-1 loss to Ohio State, Notre Dame's seniors called a players-only meeting. Ringel said he was present at the meeting, but didn't relay its proceedings to the coaches.

"As much as I am a coach in title, I still feel like I'm more part of the team than the coaching staff," he said.

After he graduates, Ringel, a finance major, said he wants to take some time off, but that coaching could be in his future.

"As much as I love the game, not playing hockey has kind of opened my eyes to a lot of other things," he said. "The last 12 years of my life have been pretty much dedicated to it and I would like to maybe try some other things that I haven't really done. I know that if that doesn't work out for me I could always come back to coaching in the future."

Ringel said he still feels the lingering effects of his concussion today, and said he gets headaches occasionally when he gets his heart rate up. But when asked if he felt any resentment towards the Miami player who ended his career, he just chalked it up to being a part of the sport he still loves.

"You can't be mad about it," he said. "Everyone's hit someone in an awkward position, everyone's been hit. My case is just one of those things where I didn't recover from it and you can't do anything about it, you just kind of go with it."

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# Golf

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have anyone to relate to.”  
McNamara echoed the sentiments of his coach, but said there are positive aspects of being the only freshman on a veteran squad.  
“I was intimidated when I first got here, a little on edge because everything was so new,” he said. “I didn’t know where to go to work out or who to go with. I did my best to get to know the older guys, but they were traveling a lot. I ended up just working really hard on my game late at night.”  
McNamara also worked on building strength to complement his technical work. Kubinski said his work in the weight room has

paid dividends.  
“Physically, he’s gotten better,” Kubinski said. “He’s worked hard with our strength trainers, and over the summer he trained religiously. He came back hitting the ball 25 yards longer, which is huge.”  
This combination of improved skills and increased strength catapulted McNamara into the top five of the Irish lineup during the fall season. The work he got at the numerous warm-weather invitationals last semester has provided him with an invaluable experience, Kubinski said.  
“The confidence he took from playing in the fall, stemming from multiple under-70 rounds, has made a difference,” Kubinski said. “Paul has really blossomed this year.”  
A far cry from his earliest memories as a member of the

Irish team, McNamara said he has developed a chemistry with his teammates both on and off the course.  
“The team dynamic this year is better than last year’s,” McNamara said. “We have a very tight-knit group of guys. We hang out off the course and we try to be positive and help each other out at practice.”  
Should Notre Dame advance in the NCAA tournament this year, McNamara said his early trials should play an important role.  
“I think things happen for a reason, and maybe that happened for a reason,” he said of his one-man class. “I’m playing well now, and I have been for a little while, and that I think it’s possible that could be a reason.”  
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Sophomore Paul McNamara prepares to tee off during the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic on Sept. 27 at the Warren Golf Course.

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paid off, as she currently boasts the best times of any Irish swimmer this season in both the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke.  
“I trained with Westmont Swim Club this summer, and my coaches really focused on the technique of my strokes to prepare me for my freshman year at [Notre Dame],” Ryan said. “I think I improved most in my training this year. This year I trained faster and more than I ever had before, so it definitely contributed to my success at the end of the season. Being able to be on relays with the fastest girls on the team was really exciting for me and pushed me to train harder and swim faster for the team.”  
Ryan credited her teammates for teaching her the importance of having fun and improving at the same time.  
“I have definitely learned from all of my teammates. They’ve taught me how to be a good teammate and how to really have fun with swimming while working hard,” Ryan said. “I spent a lot of time this year training with [sophomore] Kim Holden and [junior] Amy Prestinario. Both of them are really great to train with because they are hard-working and have positive attitudes.”  
Despite Ryan’s improvement this season, Holden said she believes she has the potential to become an even better swimmer.  
“It’s been an amazing experience training with Kelly this year. She brings so much energy to our practices and she pushes me every day

we’re in the water together,” Holden said. “I was blown away by her swims at the end of this season, and I know she has a lot more in her. I am so excited to train with her these next couple years and see where she can go.”  
Ryan, who hails from Hinsdale, Ill., played a huge role for the Irish in the Big East championships, recording first place in the 100-yard freestyle, while her 400-yard freestyle relay team stole first place from Louisville by .23 seconds. Senior co-captain Kellyn Kuhlke said Ryan’s hard work in practice has paid off at crunch time.  
“Being a freshman, at her first conference [meet] she was nervous, but had no trouble stepping up and getting the job done because she competed every day in practice,” Kuhlke said. “A lot of people on our team were calling her the best kept secret in the Big East because she got to the meet, rocked her first swim and never looked back.”  
Kuhlke echoed many of her teammates, pointing out that Ryan is an example of practice really leading to perfection.  
“Kelly is a really hard worker and very unassuming. She competes in practice every day, which definitely pushes people and brings out healthy competition on our team,” Kuhlke said. “On top of that, she is always having fun and has a smile on her face. She is a great teammate and makes working hard a lot of fun, especially now seeing where it has gotten her.”  
Ryan will find out Wednesday whether or not her hard work has earned her a trip to the NCAA championships, which take place March 17-19 in Austin, Texas.  
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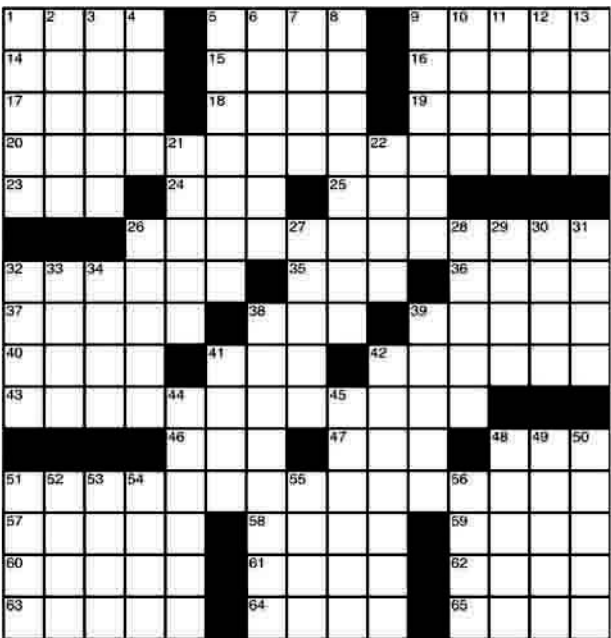
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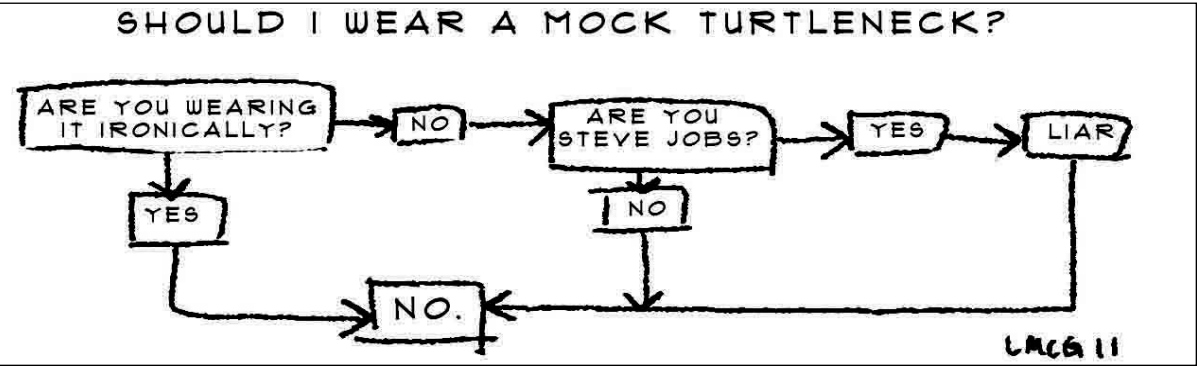
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TUESDAY VARIETY SHOW

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Justin Bieber, 17; Javier Bardem, 42; Ron Howard, 57; Alan Thicke, 64.

**Happy Birthday:** You'll have a lot to contend with as life around you changes. Nothing will hold you back more than a lack of confidence. Make a decision and follow through. You will gain respect and support from people in a position to help you turn your ideas and goals into something doable, personally and professionally. Your numbers are 7, 10, 18, 25, 27, 33, 41.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Use your knowledge and skills to help others and you will secure a position that will reward you handsomely. It's how you go about doing things that will make a difference to your future. Love and romance are in the stars. ★★★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't get caught up in someone else's melodrama or you will miss out on a life-changing opportunity. Give someone a gentle nudge if it will make a difference to a cause or group you believe in. A debate will favor you in the end, so speak up. ★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Look, listen and learn. Back away from anyone putting demands on you and embrace those eager to see what you'll do next. There will be a fine line between someone who is your enemy and someone who is jealous of you. ★★★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Put your best foot forward. Your memory, coupled with your imagination, will help you come up with excellent ideas that will please whoever you are doing business with or trying to impress. A move will help cut costs. ★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** A chance to expand your interests, skills or your friendships is apparent if you get involved in a group endeavor or an educational pursuit. Your willingness to share will help you gain momentum while learning and applying the information you've picked up. ★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Take care of money matters or debts owed. Change is required in order to follow your dreams and find the happiness you've been longing for. You can enhance your love life by the choices you make now. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** New beginnings are within reach. Stop worrying about what isn't working and focus more on what you want to see happen. It's up to you to motivate people who can help you out to participate in your plans. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You can make a difference in someone's life if you inspire, educate and facilitate him or her to join your quest. A change at home will enable you to expand an idea or plan you've wanted to develop for some time. Communication and action will bring results. ★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Your past can get you into trouble if you aren't respectful of your current obligations. A problem with a friend, relative or neighbor will lead to a dispute. Changes to the way you live will help you get back on track. ★★★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Being able to adapt to whatever situation you face will enhance your reputation. You will have the opportunity to take on added responsibility or a leadership position. A change in your personal life will bring you greater happiness. ★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Taking on too much or trying to be too many things for too many people will lead to exhaustion. Don't make promises or sign up for anything that isn't going to bring you something in return. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Before you tell everyone your plans, research the possibilities as well as your options. A personal change will alter the way you feel about someone. Don't make an impulsive move. ★★

**Birthday Baby:** You are sensitive, caring and open-minded. You help the underdog and are strong-willed and determined to finish what you start.

JUMBLE

JEFF KNUREK  
MIKE ARGIRION

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

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YIKTT

PINELP

MURTES

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NEW BIBLE Jumble Books Go To: <http://www.biblejumble.com/jumble/>

I just inherited this place.

IT CAN BE YOURS AT THE END.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: "OCCURRENCE"

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: DAILY VIXEN EMBARK RADIUM  
Answer: To the minstrels, Robin Hood was — A "BAND" LEADER

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## BENGAL BOUTS

# Punched out

*Boxers compete for coveted spot in finals*

By SAM GANS, VICKY JACOBSEN, KELSEY MANNING, MATTHEW DeFRANKS and JOSEPH MONARDO

Sports Writers

134 pounds

**Niels Seim def. Joe “Sweet Cheeks” Decker**

Seim got off to a great start against his fellow sophomore Decker, landing a series of punches early. As the first round continued, however, Decker knocked Seim against the ropes with a flurry of combinations. Decker began the second round strong, utilizing a strong jab followed by a right hook multiple times. Later in the round, Seim responded, unleashing a series of punches. The third round was another even round. Both Seim and Decker had moments of strong

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Sophomore Jack Lally throws a punch against freshman Daniel Rodriguez during a Bengal Bouts semifinal match last night. Lally won by split decision.

## MEN'S GOLF

# Lone Irish sophomore competes

By CORY BERNARD  
Sports Writer

Sophomore Paul McNamara admits that entering the fall of 2009 as the lone member of Notre Dame's recruiting class was daunting. However, he said this early obstacle may have contributed to his solid performance so far this season.

Pursued by USC and UCLA, among others, the Southern California native instead enrolled at Notre Dame. Unfortunately, no one else from his year did the same. Irish coach Jim Kubinski said only landing one recruit has been rare during his tenure, and that it presents some difficulties as a young golfer.

"The only other time we've had that in our program was with Josh Sandman," Kubinski said of the 2010 Notre Dame graduate. "Paul went through it as a freshman. It's tough because you don't

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## HOCKEY

# Ringel makes transition from player to assistant

By SAM WERNER  
Sports Writer

The Irish hockey roster lists junior Eric Ringel as an "undergraduate student assistant coach," but the former Irish defenseman's role is a bit simpler than that.

"I'm kind of the midway between a player and a coach," Ringel said.

Ringel joined the Irish coaching staff this season

after a concussion cut his career short. Even though he can't be out on the ice, Ringel said being part of the team was all that mattered.

"I think the biggest thing I would have missed from playing is being around the team and the ins and outs of every day," Ringel said. "[In] the position I have now, I still get to do that, so the transition hasn't really been that tough."

Ringel had just worked his way into the regular lineup

in December 2009 as the Irish went on the road to take on then-No. 1 Miami (Ohio) in a two-game series. Midway through the first period of the second game, Ringel was run into the boards from behind by a RedHawk player and left the game. He was diagnosed with a concussion and said the next few weeks were a struggle just to stay focused.

"I kind of had a couple weeks where I didn't really function too well," he said.

"I missed class for a week with a doctor's excuse, ended up taking finals and didn't do too well on those."

Ringel said he visited a concussion specialist who gave an encouraging, if cautious, prognosis.

"At first it was pretty tough," Ringel said. "I'd never been out of hockey for an extended period of time other than breaking a bone. When it got to two, three months, it was like, 'Am I ever going to play again?'"

In the spring, Ringel began trying to work himself back into shape and said doctors encouraged him to test his limits. But then Ringel suffered another concussion, and it was back to square one.

"I was slowly getting back into shape, and they were like, push yourself to see how hard you can go," Ringel said. "Guess I pushed myself too hard."

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## BASEBALL

# Doyle leads Irish by example

By CHRIS ALLEN  
Sports Writer

As a kid who grew up in Chicago with parents, aunts and uncles who have attended Notre Dame for generations, Irish senior shortstop and second-year captain Mick Doyle is truly living out one of his dreams.

"My dad and my whole family are all about Notre Dame, pretty big on Notre Dame. I've been coming to football games here since I could walk, and probably even before then," Doyle said. "I was always a huge Notre Dame fan. If you would have told me that I

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Observer File Photo

Senior shortstop Mick Doyle attempts to complete a double play during a 9-8 win over Rutgers on April 9, 2010.

## ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

# Ryan excels during first season for ND

By MEGAN GOLDEN  
Sports Writer

Transitioning to college classes and meeting new friends — while working hard every day in practice — has challenged freshman Kelly Ryan in her first year on the Irish squad.

Balancing Notre Dame academics with Irish athletics proved to be difficult at times for Ryan, but she used her experience from Fenwick High School to help manage her time.

"I think a lot of the lessons I learned earlier in my career were valuable this year," she said. "It was definitely important to have the determination and time management skills that I learned

before coming to college. It is definitely hard to balance the academic, athletic and social parts of life during the season.

"I try to not get too stressed out about school, and swimming helps me to take my mind off of it for a little while."

Learning to have fun with her friends during practice has made Ryan's transition much easier to endure.

"Making friends with the girls on the team has made my first season at Notre Dame so much fun," she said. "They help me to put my school and swimming stresses to the side and just have fun."

Ryan's training has certainly

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