

Irish dominate through the cold

Frigid temperatures and an Irish victory made for a memorable Senior Day for the Class of 2014

By CATHERINE OWERS
News Writer

Students braved snow and below-freezing temperatures to watch the Irish battle the Brigham Young University Cougars on Saturday in the last home football game of the season.

Senior Laura Stangler said her last student game-day experience was very bittersweet. "The cold was a bummer, but it was worth it," she said. "I was glad it was snowing and not raining. I know a lot of people who didn't go to the game or didn't stay for the entire game. ... But it was definitely a lot of fun, and the marshmallow fight was really

cool."

The traditional senior marshmallow fight occurred during halftime, Stangler said. Most of the marshmallows stayed in the stands, but a few fell on the field.

"There were a bunch of guys who were trying to test their strength of arm by throwing marshmallows as far as they could," Stangler said. "And then there were people who got in trouble with the ushers for throwing them at the ushers. It was really fun, though."

Stangler said she appreciated the special seniors-only traditions after the game, as well.



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The Fighting Irish gather for the Alma Mater at their last home game on Saturday versus Brigham Young University. Notre Dame defeated BYU, making the team's record 8-3.

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Tailgate targets Obamacare

By CHARLIE DUCEY
News Writer

To mark the passage of the last home game of the 2013 Irish football season Saturday, Notre Dame fans celebrated in a variety of ways. One group of students used the game as a venue to express their opposition to the Affordable Care Act, commonly referred to as "Obamacare."

The Generation Opportunity tailgate, which occupied six tailgate spots in the JACC lot, said they wanted to inform young people of the other options available to them besides participation in the federal health care exchange established by the new law. The Washington, D. C.-based group Generation Opportunity is described on the group's website as "a free-thinking,

liberty-loving, national organization of young people promoting the best of Being American: opportunity, creativity and freedom."

The tailgate Saturday was not the group's first event — according to a Nov. 12 article in the Huffington Post, the group previously partnered with University of Miami College

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ND scientists examine earth's mantle

By CHRISTIAN MYERS
News Writer

Notre Dame geologists have discovered an important piece of the puzzle that is the chemical composition of the earth's mantle — the layer of semi-liquid rock directly below the earth's crust.

Antonio Simonetti, associate professor in the department of civil and environmental engineering, and Ph.D. candidate Wei Chen recently published their findings on carbonatites and the composition of the mantle in the scientific journal "Nature Communications", which is the third-ranked journal in the field.

Carbonatites are igneous rocks the composition of which is at least 50 percent magmatic carbonate minerals, Simonetti said. These rocks are often expelled from volcanoes and are

formed in melts, which are the collections of magma from the mantle that form magma chambers within the earth's crust, such as those within volcanoes, he said.

Simonetti said studying carbonatites leads to a better understanding of the composition of the mantle from which the melts and subsequently the carbonatites themselves are formed.

"I've always tried to look at carbonatites as messengers of the chemical composition of the earth's mantle," Simonetti said.

Simonetti said the discovery helps answer a question that has "plagued" researchers for decades, which is "What is the primary composition of carbonate rich melts?"

Essentially, Simonetti and Chen have shown that carbonate rich melts contain

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SMC symposium to address incarcerated women

By EMILIE KEFKALAS
News Writer

This Tuesday Saint Mary's College will shed light on an often-unheard community within South Bend: incarcerated women.

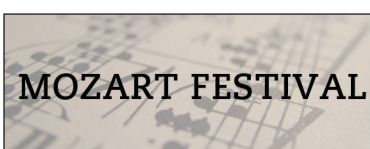
The College is hosting a Symposium on Female Incarceration on Tuesday, Dec. 3 that will highlight the work of men and women who serve the incarcerated. The

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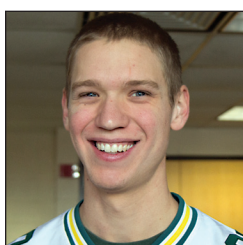
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Notre Dame running back Tarean Folston evades BYU defensive back Skye PoVey during Saturday's game. Despite gusty winds and snow, Folston ran for 78 yards and quarterback Tommy Rees threw for 235 yards as the Irish defeated the Cougars 23-13.

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Monday

ACMS Colloquium

Hayes-Healy Center
4 p.m.-5 p.m.
Dr. Alexey Kuznetsov talks about oscillatory regulatory networks in phenomena such as cell division and circadian rhythm.

Tuesday

Women's Basketball

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

Film: "Germany Awake!"

DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
Film by Erwin Leiser.

Wednesday

Thanksgiving Break Begins

No classes.

Thursday

Thanksgiving Mass

Basilica of the Sacred Heart
10 a.m.-11 a.m.
Celebrate Mass.

Thanksgiving Dinner

North Dining Hall
12 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Enjoy carved turkey, pumpkin pie and more Thanksgiving food.

Friday

Black Friday Sale

Hammes Bookstore
9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Sale for faculty and staff.

Women's Volleyball

Purcell Pavilion
4 p.m.-6 p.m.
The Irish face off against Boston College.

Incarceration

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The symposium will take place in Vander Vannet Theater in the College Student Center, Dr. Adrienne Lyles Chockley, visiting assistant professor of justice education said.

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"Many of the people who are going to be presenting are individuals who came to serve ex-offenders through a very long and kind of winding life journey which I include myself in."

Dr. Adrienne Lyles Chockley
visiting assistant professor

long and kind of winding life journey which I include myself in," Chockley said. "I have an organization called social justice services that provides re-entry services for ex-offenders, and so many of the people have this very interesting life story that brought

us to serve this population."

She said she hopes the all-day, non-stop event will open the floor for dialogue and discussion about the challenges faced by female ex-offenders, what it means to be a woman incarcerated, and the challenges women and their families face as they exit incarceration.

"One of our most vulnerable populations in the South Bend community [is] our female ex-offenders, and so we are gathering ex-offenders, advocates, professionals [and] members of the faith community to take a look at what the challenges are and have a discussion about how we can collaboratively address those challenges," she said.

The symposium will feature 15 speakers tied to the South Bend incarcerated community and Chockley will deliver the opening and closing remarks.

"I'm excited about every single person [speaking]," Chockley said.

Father David T. Link, former dean of Notre Dame Law School and newly published author, will be the keynote speaker. His new book, "Camerado, I Give You My Hand: How a Powerful Lawyer-Turned-Priest Is Changing the Lives of Men Behind Bars," is about the value of human life and the transformative power of friendship and compassion, according to his website.

Chockley said his life

mission is to walk with the incarcerated, especially with those facing the death penalty or on death row, and people who are imprisoned for life.

Pat Hosea, a female ex-offender who will speak to a variety of the challenges faced by incarcerated women including sexual violence, addiction and issues with children and child custody, is delivering the second keynote speech.

Chockley said she transformed her life after being released from prison; she is now a small business owner and a personal friend to her.

"She really speaks to both what the challenges are and real concrete ways to transcend those challenges," Chockley said.

Though incarceration is a relatively well-discussed issue in society, the unique challenges it poses to women are often overlooked, Chockley said. Many institutions will address incarceration but from a male's perspective and ignore female-intersected challenges involved including sexual violence, addiction, child-care, and economic concerns, she said.

Now an ex-offender going on 11 years, Hosea said she can attest and identify with these hardships, but she has used them to shape herself into an advocate for those struggling as she did.

"My story never ends because I've been a survivor of a lot of things," Hosea said.

to have a second chance," Bracke said. "It is what Jesus came to give all of us after our fall from grace, and faith says that redemption is real for every one of us. 700 of my brothers and sisters in Christ come back into St. Joseph County each year, and after being warehoused for years are told basically good luck from the system as they go back.

"Many said, 'Father, I never intended to come back here but I could not find a job to support me or my family. I had too many stressors and I went back to the street.' The costs for food, housing, shelter, no transportation and the costs of paying for probation are there with little assistance on job creation. People are reluctant to hire ex-offenders and the economy is still not back yet for the poor in our country."

Bracke has been in the priesthood for over 33 years, Bracke has visited parishioners in Illinois, Colorado and Indiana. He said his longtime friend and fellow priest, Father Tom McNally, C.S.C., who is also speaking on the subject of spiritual response to the crisis of incarceration, inspired Bracke to serve those in prison Bracke aims to embrace the symposium's importance in drawing attention to voices unheard in the incarcerated community.

"Female incarceration is somewhat underreported as to how it has an effect on community and family life," Bracke said. "My reason for speaking at this symposium is to advocate for folks who have few if any voices to encourage and support them. Jesus came for the folks on the margins and for those cut off from the rest of society and I feel I want to speak on behalf of them. It's all about service and the Lord.

"I feel called to walk the talk, and I hope that students will come to listen and grow in of this critical issue that is not addressed or on the priority list for politicians. Come with open hearts to hear and see with new eyes."

With regards to her incarceration experience, she said she recalls the "horridness" of being separated from her children and how that worry weighed upon her during her imprisonment.

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"It was horrible. There's no explanation other than it's horrible, especially if you have children." Hosea said. "[Fortunately] all four of my boys are doing very well.

"It was hell. Never, ever do I ever want to do it again, because if I get off try off track for one second, the enemy will try to take me out. I'm doing well through the grace of God."

Father James Bracke, C.S.C., staff chaplain of Campus Ministry, said his experience on the other side of prison bars within prison ministry last year led him to see what he could do to help stem the flow of folks falling back into the cycle of incarceration.

"I am a beginner student in this maze of re-entry, but I feel called to do something to serve these my sisters and brothers, having paid the price for their mistakes,

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Mozart festival marks end of Year of Faith

By MEGHAN THOMASSEN
Managing Editor

All three Basilica choirs joined for the first time with an orchestra to commemorate the end of Campus Ministry's Year of Faith in Friday's Mozart Festival at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

The Year of Faith began in December 2012 in response to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's request for a Catholic Year of Faith, assistant choral program director and organist Mary Catherine Levri said.

The Women's Liturgical

Choir, the Liturgical Choir and the Folk Choir performed pieces of sacred music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, including one of his more well-known religious works, the Coronation Mass. The concert also coincided with the feast of Saint Cecilia, the patron saint of musicians, and preceded the Solemnity of Christ the Kind.

"[Mozart] wrote the Coronation Mass for Easter Sunday in 1779," Levri said. "No one knows exactly why he wrote it. We are just given the date and the fact that it was performed in Salzburg

Cathedral. It's a famous piece, and it's really fitting at the setting of the basilica."

Andrew McShane, director of the Liturgical Choir, said the choirs rehearsed independently starting in August and came together to practice with the orchestra Tuesday. McShane said due to scheduling conflicts with the Notre Dame Symphony, a group of 21 South Bend musicians with experience playing for weddings and large masses at the basilica-comprised the orchestra for the festival.

McShane said 150 singers

performed in the concert

"In my 22 years here, I have never seen a choir as big as this one," he said.

Levri said many people of faith, such as Pope Francis and Benedict, love Mozart's music.

"Benedict talked a lot of the faith of Mozart and about the impression that his music made on him when he was growing up in his church," Levri said. "Many theologians wrote about how his music is divinely beautiful and how heaven touches earth when you hear this music. Mozart wrote a great bit for the church."

Benedict called for the Year of Faith so Catholics would not take their faith for granted, Levri said.

"[Faith] used to be something that everyone shared, and everyone in the same community went to the same church," she said. "It was just a part of life, not something you sought out or chose to do. [Through Year of Faith, we] make a deliberate celebration of the gift that is faith and evangelization."

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Justice series tackles benefits of healthy eating

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The final meeting in Saint Mary's "Justice Friday's" lecture series, which Saint Mary's Justice Education department held this semester to examine justice through different lenses, explored the nature of "real" food and how it can influence a healthy lifestyle. Members of the Saint Mary's Food Sustainability Club orchestrated the event.

The Food Sustainability Club, still in its first year, has worked to increase the amount of "real food" used on campus and in Saint Mary's dining services as well as to increase students' awareness about the importance of making healthy food choices, Emily Aldrich, a founding member of the Food Sustainability club, said.

Students present at the event discussed the difficulties of making healthy and sustainable food

choices on campus, she said.

"Right now, about 18 percent of the Saint Mary's food budget is spent on real food and there has been an increase in the amount of local produce available in the dining hall," Aldrich said.

At the event, Aldrich said the Food Sustainability club described the importance of eating more "real food" and taught about the four characteristics of real food. Real food is local and community based, encourages fair trade (everyone involved in the in the food production process is receiving a living wage), it is ecologically sound and it is humane, Aldrich said.

She said it is important to educate yourself about the food sold in supermarkets, research regulations on how animals are treated and understand what companies advertise on the labels of their food products.

"It is important that people take the time to research the

differences between organic and natural. There are no FDA standards of what is considered all natural foods, so any product can advertise that," Aldrich said.

Aldrich said taking small steps to eat more real food is important, even as a college student with a limited budget.

"The South Bend Farmer's Market is a great place to support local members of our community and a great place to get local, fresh produce in the fall and spring," she said.

She said labels on food don't always help people make healthy decisions about their food.

"Just because it says it's organic, doesn't mean it is healthy. Foods like potato chips can be organic, but they aren't healthy for you," Aldrich said.

The Justice Friday events will return next semester.

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Tailgate

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Republicans to put on a tailgate at the Virginia Tech-Miami game on Nov. 9.

Junior Mark Gianfalla, president of College Republicans, attended the tailgate event. He said the tailgate attracted a sizable crowd.

"People of wide variety of ages, from between the ages of 15 to 50 or so, attended the tailgate," Gianfalla said. "Alumni, students and non-ND folks, were there as well. Throughout the course of the day, I would say 200 people came by."

At Saturday's tailgate, Gianfalla said tables were set up with refreshments, one table with 70 pizzas, and another offering Opt Out T-shirts, sunglasses and other merchandise.

Gianfalla said the tailgate introduced Generation Opportunity's 'Opt Out' campaign to Notre Dame's campus, a program that aims to reach young people deciding whether

or not to purchase health care plans through the federal health care exchange.

"We recognize better options are available outside the exchanges, so we're overwhelmingly choosing to Opt Out and buy insurance that better meet our needs and budgets," David Pasch said in a Generation Opportunity internet article.

Gianfalla said the tailgate was designed as an informational event, which worked to alert youth of the benefits of searching the private sector for insurance plans. Obamacare is not the ideal option for those in need of insurance at a young age and that the private sector offers much more appealing insurance plans for their age group, he said.

"I think Notre Dame was a perfect location for such an event as a college campus where the outspoken liberal minority of the student body often overshadows the conservative majority, and where the student body needs to know that conservative values

and ideals are just as popular with the youth of this country as the 'popular' liberal ones," Gianfalla said.

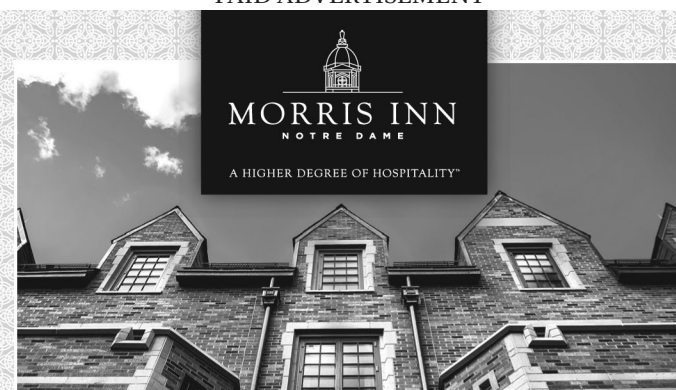
Gianfalla said he believes conservative values — like those supported by groups like Generation Opportunity — sway and will continue to influence young voters.

"A little known fact is that Chris Christie won 49 percent of the youth vote in his recent gubernatorial election, and [Ken] Cuccinelli won the vote of 18-to 24-year-olds in his recent Virginia race," Gianfalla said. "The fact that young people are increasingly turning to conservative politics to ensure their best interest is even more apparent as the Obamacare disaster moves forward."

Gianfalla said he believes Generation Opportunity plans to continue partnering with groups at other colleges to develop similar events.

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"The entire stadium was cleared out, except for the senior section," she said. "We got to watch the band, and then we were allowed to go on

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Laura Stangler
senior

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Emotions in the senior section were "all over the place," Stangler said.

"There were a lot of people who were just in disbelief

that it was our last game," she said. "The four years really flew by, ... but most people were excited."

Senior Patrick Schmitz said he felt the game was a great bonding experience for the senior class.

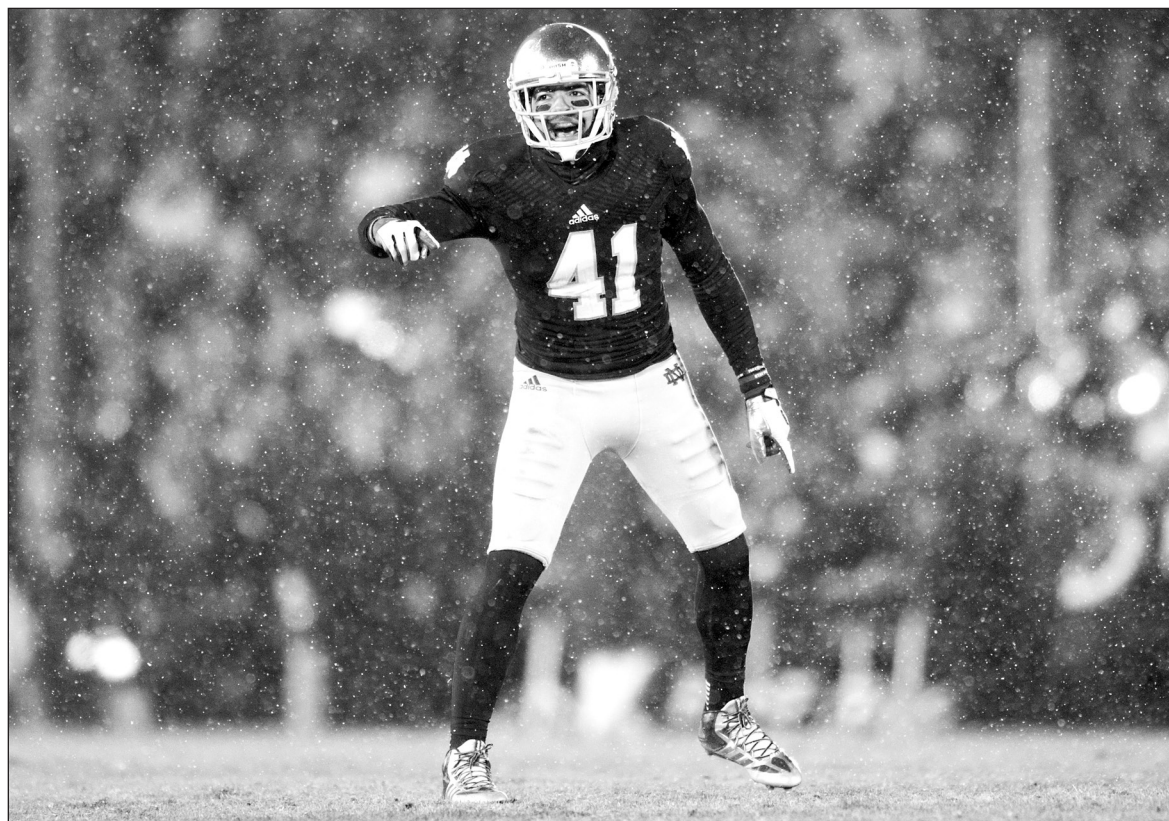
"I didn't really watch the game very much," he said. "But I made friends with the people standing behind me, and we were swapping marshmallows because we had different brands."

Because it was their last game as students, Schmitz said he and his friends tried to participate in as many game-day traditions as possible.

"We woke up early to go to a friend's house and then out to tailgates and stopped by concession stands," he said. "After the game, we went to candlelight dinner in the dining hall."

Freshman Kaylee Correa said Brigham Young fans did not have a noticeable presence on campus.

"I was working a concession stand and I didn't see many of them before the game," she said. "Even at the game, their fan section seemed really small."



ZACHARY LLORENS | The Observer

Safety Matthias Farley is fired up amidst the snow on Saturday's game versus Brigham Young University. The Irish defeated BYU in the team's last home game, making their record 8-3.

Watching the seniors' marshmallow fight was enjoyable, Correa said.

"I thought once they started it they would run out, but then it started up again," she said. "I thought it was really cool, but I didn't really understand

what the point was."

Correa said the snow and cold greatly affected her game-day experience.

"The girls' bathroom was really crowded the entire game because it was warm in there," she said. "I'm glad

that I stayed, though, so now I can say that I experienced an entire football game in the snow. That's an accomplishment for me."

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Geology

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large amounts of the alkalis potassium and sodium in addition to the large amounts of carbon dioxide and calcium already known to be in such melts.

"Geologists thought carbonatites were coming from calcium or carbon dioxide rich regions, but in reality these areas are also sodium and potassium rich," he said.

This better understanding of the composition of melts also helps explain the discrepancy between old

carbonatites, which contain little potassium or sodium, and the new carbonatites being produced by the world's only active carbonatite volcano Ol Doinyo Lengai in Tanzania, which contain a significant amount of potassium and sodium, Simonetti said.

"It was very surprising. We didn't know what to expect, but it was the least likely outcome," he said.

"For me it's a huge impact. This work is going to have a big impact on the igneous petrology community."

The discovery came as a result of studying melt

inclusions in 120 million year old carbonatites from the Oka complex in Canada, specifically southwestern Quebec, Simonetti said.

Melt inclusions are micron-sized — a micron is one millionth of a meter — pockets of melt material trapped within the crystals of carbonatites as they form in the cooling melt, Simonetti said. Melt inclusions contain everything present in the surrounding melt at the time they were formed, as opposed to carbonatites, which contain only select minerals that precipitate from the surrounding melt. Thus, melt inclusions

reveal the initial composition of a carbonatite rich melt, he said.

The chemical signatures of the melt inclusions from the Oka carbonatites were analyzed and significant amounts of sodium and potassium were present in the trapped melt, even though the surrounding carbonatite was only calcium and carbon rich, Simonetti said. This was the first evidence of alkali rich carbonatite melts found outside of East Africa, he said.

"The fact that the mantle source regions that gave rise to these melts were also alkali rich means Ol Doinyo Lengai

is no longer an oddball," Simonetti said.

Simonetti said the next step is to look for this same phenomenon in carbonatites elsewhere in the world, since the evidence of potassium and sodium is no longer unique to Africa. After that,

"For me it's a huge impact. This work is going to have a big impact on the igneous petrology community."

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he said geologists will seek to answer the question of how carbonatites lose alkalis after forming, which will explain why older carbonatites lack these minerals that the new carbonatites at Ol Doinyo Lengai still have.

Simonetti said he has been studying carbonatites since he was a Ph.D. candidate in the early 1990s. He said one reason neither he nor any other geologist made this discovery before now is that his discovery depended on recent technological developments, such as the ability to study melt inclusions with Raman spectroscopy.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Cut a deal with A-Rod

Mike Ginocchio
Sports Writer

Call me old-fashioned, but I'm a baseball fan. And I don't find it boring like some people might (understandably), but that's another column for another time. That's why, despite how much it hurts, this needs to be said:

Major League Baseball needs to stop mud-slinging with Alex Rodriguez.

Look, I despise A-Rod. Not enough to call him A-Roid, or A-Fraud or whatever other "creative" nicknames we've come up with over the years as a play on his regular nickname, but close. I think he's a whiny little kid in a grown man's body who resorts to underhanded means in order to get his way. But I also think the MLB's current case against him is absolutely not worth it.

In case you haven't heard, Rodriguez was suspended for a whopping 211 games because he was connected to a treatment clinic that may have provided him with illegal steroids in order to gain an unfair competitive advantage. This, along with Rodriguez's admission that he used steroids back around 2003, gave MLB the justification they needed for the ban. But then, Rodriguez appealed his suspension.

No longer does this exchange seem like something befitting coverage from ESPN. The catty, back-and-forth tit for tat between Rodriguez and the MLB (well, both parties' lawyers, to be honest) resembles something you might see covered on TMZ.

And this is the last thing baseball needs, because it is a public relations nightmare.

If the absolute nadir of the economic recession was the year 2008, then 2005 was the nadir for baseball, with players called in front of Congress to explain allegations of steroid abuse. It left an ugly mark on the game's credibility, and baseball has spent years slowly rebuilding its fans' trust. There are signs that it is working, because the past couple of seasons have featured some truly electrifying playoff series, and even some of the more casual fans have been reeled back in.

But now, this Rodriguez issue threatens that very fragile bond the game has reformed with fans. Because in the wake of growing concern over whether we as a nation should truly be as entertained by football as we are, given the health and social risks it poses, baseball stands to catch up to the NFL in popularity. But if all we fans hear about from baseball is the latest hissy comment from Rodriguez or his lawyers, or the doddering response from the commissioner's office, it's going to make people really annoyed.

Break a deal with him. Reduce his suspension. Offer monetary compensation. Do whatever it takes. Alex Rodriguez is a narcissist, and dealing with him is surely driving the MLB crazy. But it would be better to deal with this situation as soon as possible, so that his "all about me" attitude doesn't drag down the entire game with him.

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White privilege and U.S. prisons

Lisa Taylor
Viewpoint Columnist

For a class trip last fall, I visited an empty prison block in Jackson, Miss. where inmates were formerly housed before a new prison was built. As we wandered through the empty spaces of the prison, surrounded by eerie silence, cold iron and steel, our imaginations labored to construct the missing element: the human people. To add to the theatrics of the tour, our guide instructed us to enter the empty cells in order to get the "true prison experience." When we stood back on the cellblock floor, he used an electronic remote to open and close all of the cell doors at once. The grinding open and metallic slamming of the doors viscerally affected me as I shuddered in the cold, empty, eerie atmosphere. Where were the people?

At one point during the tour, as we were walking up to the second level, our tour guide stopped us quickly and whispered excitedly to us. The prisoners were outside, quick, look. Self-consciously, my classmates and I peered through a broken shutter to look outside. The inmates from the prison next door (the operational prison) were outside playing tennis, and we stared uncomfortably down upon them, ourselves obscured and unseen. We gazed in a zoo-like fashion, observing the men outside as if they were something outside of our normal realm — something subhuman, animal-like and trapped. After spending most of the day imaginatively constructing an image of an inmate in my mind, suddenly the real deal was thrust in my face. Look! Criminals! They're outside!

For me, this marked a rare moment

of clarity, as I recognized something so ingrained in the way I think: privilege. As a white, upper-middle class girl attending a prestigious university, I am incredibly privileged and set apart from the unjust reality that many people face. Odds are, I will never be on the other end of that unequal gaze — I will never be looked down upon by strangers from a prison window and objectified and judged. Unlike half of the black, male population, I will most likely never spend time behind bars and thus be stamped with the prison label for the rest of my life, permitting legal discrimination. In the past 25 years, the U.S. prison population has increased from 350,000 to a staggering 2.3 million, a statistic mostly reflecting new federal policies and mandatory minimums from the War on Drugs, not crime rates. Within this huge prison population, blacks are incarcerated approximately seven times as often as whites, even though studies indicate crime rates are equal across races. In certain cities like Washington, D.C., for example, an estimated three out of four young black men, mostly from poor neighborhoods, will serve time in prison.

Race is an uncomfortable topic to speak about, but racialized thinking dominates the way we perceive each other as human beings. Media and political rhetoric have led us to quietly associate blackness with deviancy and criminality, and thus, minority communities are policed stringently and unjustly, too often with unprovoked police brutality (stop-and-frisk laws in New York City, for example). Although racist terms are explicitly evoked less and less, race still acts as an important heuristic in daily life. Nervous about crime and safety living

off campus in South Bend this year (there have been at least two armed robberies and five houses broken into near my place), I find myself thinking in racialized terms all too often. At night, I find myself gazing at the two African-American houses on the block, judging the men loitering outside, clutching my backpack tighter and racing to get inside my house and lock the door. I must uncomfortably acknowledge that I often think in racialized terms, that I, too, have been socialized to associate blackness with deviancy.

How do we get beyond this? While I am only one person, I think it begins with a conversation about race and privilege, two concepts intimately wrapped up with each other. It's uncomfortable to acknowledge my own privilege, but as a human being constituted by relationships and the lives of others, this conversation is incredibly important. I wholeheartedly support civil rights advocate and scholar Michelle Alexander when she issues this powerful calling to all people: "If we want to do more than just end mass incarceration — if we want to put an end to the history of racial caste in America — we must lay down our racial bribes, join hands with people of all colors who are not content to wait for change to trickle down, and say to those who would stand in our way: 'Accept all of us or none.'"

Only then can we build a genuine ethos of compassion for all human people, regardless of race.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



Faith in dignity and justice

Brian Kennedy
Guest Columnist

Here on campus, the Center for Social Concerns selects an annual theme to emphasize a pillar of our rich Catholic social tradition, and this year the focus is on “Human Dignity and Justice in the World.” The point of the theme is to keep us from taking these terms for granted or reducing them to academic buzzwords or political abstractions. The Church will occasionally also choose an annual theme for the same reasons, and we are now approaching the end of the “Year of Faith” on Nov. 24. In his first encyclical letter, “Lumen Fidei,” Pope Francis reflects on this “Light of Faith” and makes some striking comments along the way.

Since his election this spring, the media has kept up enthusiastic coverage of this energetic new pope, with near daily reports of simple acts and ‘shocking’ sound bites. It’s clear the man knows how to phrase things in order to generate some interest. The title of a recent campus event on Pope Francis sums it up pretty well: “What did he just say?!” So, I was not surprised to read the radical claim in “Lumen Fidei” that without faith, “there is no criterion for discerning what makes human life precious” and that “thanks to faith, we have come to understand the unique dignity of each person, something which was not clearly seen in antiquity.” Now, you don’t need to be a philosophy major to know that some would disagree. And the claim is, for Christians, a radical one. That is, it goes straight to the radix (root) of the

issue. While secular humanism, for example, may define a defense of dignity in a philosophy of ethics, the Christian foundation for these convictions is in the good news of Christ. It is the God of the Gospel who gives meaning to the word “dignity” and makes something like justice worth fighting for. Here’s a brief story to illustrate how this happens:

I spent time last winter at a Christian ministry called My Brother’s Keeper next to Stonehill College, a Holy Cross school near Boston, and I was inspired by the story of its founding by a husband and wife. Shortly after a powerful renewal of faith on retreat, the couple saw a film, “God Bless the Child,” that would change their lives forever. Profoundly affected by its portrayal of poverty and homelessness, they began the very next day to help those suffering in their community with simple acts of charity, delivering the love and hope of Jesus Christ — in the form of food and furniture — to those in need. Twenty-five years later, their work has expanded into two facilities with full-time staff and 3,000 volunteers serving much of southeastern Massachusetts.

Their story illustrates the journey of Christians to justice, beginning with an encounter of faith that greatly disturbed their worldview, expanded their vision of dignity and demanded a response in justice. This is the very same “education in the faith” that Blessed Basil Moreau required the schools of Holy Cross to provide so that “the mind will not be cultivated at the expense of the heart.” In his latest inspirational football advertisement, University President Fr. John Jenkins reminds us that we are “a community where education, inquiry and faith combine to

respond to the demands of justice.” Infused from its founding with this spirit, Notre Dame continues to provide countless opportunities to put faith into action in class, in the dorms and off campus. But, as the founders of My Brother’s Keeper know, the demands of justice begin right where we live — on a campus with its own examples of violence against human dignity, especially in the alarming presence of sexual assault.

This Year of Faith also celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council, which called us to become “artisans of a new humanity.” To help you find the tools to answer this call, the Center for Social Concerns has planned a busy year around our “Dignity + Justice” theme that includes service trips, seminars and other social justice events. Learn about hyper-incarceration at a year-long series on our nation’s prison system. Join us for documentaries, speakers and dialogue on what is happening in our midst (and in our name). Explore more information and resources on our website at socialconcerns.nd.edu

Recently, Pope Francis offered this uneasy reflection: “I ask myself if the words ‘justice’ and ‘solidarity’ are only in our dictionary, or if we all work so that they become a reality?” Let us together try to ask and answer the same question.

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Let’s talk facts, not fast-food fiction

Judith Robert
Guest Columnist

After reading the Viewpoint column by Shaaya Ellis titled “Minimum wage and the fast food fight” (Nov. 19), I wondered whether Mr. Ellis is typical of Notre Dame students today and whether Notre Dame is providing a values-based education, one that emphasizes researching facts before writing opinions.

Referring to the demands for a livable wage by fast food workers, Mr. Ellis claims: “It is very counter-intuitive to burden American businesses with individuals’ indolence towards working hard and by demands for unearned and unrealistic wage increases.” He continues, “It is not incumbent upon business to simply dole out more money to people who either did not earn it or whose work does not merit that distinction. The amount a company can pay its employees is a function of the productivity of its business model and the productivity of its employees.”

Here’s a fact from the National Employment Law Project (NELP): For the last decade, worker wages in low-paying industries, such as fast food, have stagnated or declined, while productivity levels have increased. Despite stagnating or declining real wages for workers, CEO pay and business profits are up. According to a University of California, Berkeley report, the largest fast-food companies in the United States earn between \$7 million and \$7.4 billion each year in profits, in addition to large dividends and executive compensation ranging from \$1.7 to \$52 million.

No, Mr. Ellis, workers are not “indolent.” They

are working harder than ever for fewer real dollars. Fast-food companies with record profits can afford to pay more; they just choose not to. This is an issue of values. An ethical businessperson increases wages when profits are up. But these businesses prefer to pocket increasing profits for themselves and shareholders while we taxpayers pick up the bill. According to NELP, with a median wage of \$8.69 per hour for front-line fast-food jobs, 52 percent of fast-food workers are enrolled in, or have their families enrolled in, one or more taxpayer-funded safety net programs to make ends meet. Because of the fast-food industry’s low wages, combined with part-time hours and lack of health care benefits, families rely on the taxpayer-funded safety net: \$3.9 billion per year in Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) benefits, \$1 billion for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and \$1.95 billion per year for Earned Income Tax Credit payments.

Mr. Ellis repeats the common fallacies that most low-wage jobs are held by teenagers and the uneducated. Again, here are the facts: According to Robert Hiltonsmith, a policy analyst at Demos, “70 percent of these fast-food workers are aged 20 or over, so they’re not teenagers, and of that 70 percent, about a third of them have college degrees. So it’s not that they don’t have skills — in many cases, the jobs aren’t there for them.” (“U.S. fast-food workers protest, demand a ‘living wage,’” Reuters, Aug. 29).

Mr. Ellis questions the choices of poor households: “According to the Census Bureau, 80 percent of poor households have air conditioning. Two-thirds have at least one DVD player and nearly 75 percent have a car or truck. 31 percent have two or more cars or trucks. With this in mind, clearly those that work

in the fast food industry and who are considered to be ‘living in poverty’ have substantial means.” Again, here are a few facts. A DVD player costs \$44, while taking a family of four to the movies costs \$31. So, it is more economical to buy a DVD rather than take your family to the movies. An air-conditioner costs \$140, but is this cost too much for “those living in poverty,” especially southerners? In the United States, with minimal government investment in mass transportation (in South Bend, there is no bus service on Sundays or holidays), a job requires a car. Unfortunately, for those earning low wages, two persons need to go to work to support a family of four. So what may seem like luxuries to a young man attending a private college are pretty basic to simple living.

Finally, Mr. Ellis concludes, “Protesting and rioting for higher wages is often done in vain, especially for a job as menial as burger flipping.” I am not sure where Mr. Ellis has read of fast-food workers “rioting.” However, I am reminded of stories of my grandfather working in the coal mines before there was a federal minimum wage. He joined the picket lines, risking his job to help unionize the coal mines and to wrest decent wages from the companies. Maybe back then, those lucky enough to afford a private college education would have called their work “menial,” but their protests were not “done in vain.” The unions brought higher wages and created the middle class.

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the MOVEMBER chronicles

BEST MUSTACHES IN THE MUSTACHE GAME

By KEVIN NOONAN
Scene Editor

Movember stands out for most men because most men can't grow mustaches without looking just absolutely terrible.

I would never say I'm some kind of fashion expert or handsomeness expert (that's for other people to say about me), but I feel pretty confident in saying that for most guys, mustaches are not the best look. But with every rule comes exceptions, and this rule is no exception. With mustaches, the exceptions come in masterful, glorious forms. Here are some of our favorite mustaches in the mustache game:

**1) Ron Swanson**

Nick Offerman plays the staunch libertarian on NBC's "Parks and Rec." The mustache is Offerman's own work, but it's so integral to Swanson that the show's creators said it was one of the first ideas they had for the character. In fact, as Swanson says in the show, his mustache trimmers are one of the only products he stands behind: "I won't publicly endorse a product unless I use it exclusively and I really believe in it. My only official recommendations are U.S. Army-issued mustache trimmers, Morton's Salt and the C.R. Lawrence fine, two-inch-style, oscillating knife blade."

2) Burt Reynolds

People might forget because of his decline in acting work in recent years, but Burt Reynolds once reigned for a time as the undisputed king of Hollywood. For five straight years, from 1979 to 1983, Reynolds was the top-grossing actor in film, beating out in-their-prime stars, such as Clint Eastwood, John Travolta and Sylvester Stallone.

3) Salvador Dalí

The Spanish artist lived a life as fascinatingly eccentric as his famous paintings, and his mustache was no exception. The surrealist was most famous for his 1931 work "The Persistence of Memory," featuring melting clocks and weird stuff like that

with oil on canvas. But equally as impressive was his thin, wiry mustache, stretching out for inches on either side of his face. Combined with the wild-eyed expression he liked to give when being photographed, the mustache helped define the personality of one of the great artists of the century.

4) Groucho Marx

Another star defined as much by his mustache as by anything else, the leader of the Marx brothers didn't actually have facial hair for most of his career both his mustache and his thick eyebrows were faked with greasepaint. But the effect was so great and so defining that Marx was said to be nearly impossible to recognize without them. Later in his career, tired of painting on his face for every appearance, Marx eventually decided to grow an actual mustache, but he still painted over it for a few performances.

5) Tom Selleck

Thought by many to be the supreme champion of all things mustache, Selleck's iconic role as Thomas Magnum in the television series "Magnum, P.I." from 1980 to 1988 sets the bar high for any mustache. His facial hair became a part of his personality as his career progressed, and it undoubtedly had a hand in his Emmy award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama series in 1984.

REFLECTIONS ON MOVEMBER

Kevin Noonan
Scene Editor

"Kevin, what is that thing on your face?"

This bit of tough love from my older sister encapsulates pretty well my experience with Movember. The annual, month-long event of men growing out mustaches to raise awareness for prostate cancer, depression and other men's health issues puts a good face on an otherwise ugly idea, so to speak.

While I fully support the cause, I was equally interested to see first if I could actually grow a mustache, since I'd never tried before for fear of death by public shaming. I also wanted to see if my fears of death by public shaming were legitimate.

As you might be able to guess from my sister's reaction, it turns out the answer to both is "kind of." I can kind of grow a mustache, ugly and deformed though it may be, and people that saw me with it on my face were opposed enough to the look that it was worthy of mention and embarrassment.

All six guys in my off-campus house decided to take part and turn it into a competition

of sorts, and I was the last one to shave, meaning I was the winner though also still kind of a loser, I'm pretty sure. All their reasons for shaving were similar a job interview prompted the razor for a few of them, a girlfriend had had enough of it for at least one of them, stuff like that.

Luckily for me, a bright, shining star of joblessness and future unemployment, as well as a man married to my demanding job at the premier daily student newspaper run out of a dining hall on the south side of Notre Dame's campus, neither of those possible pitfalls affected my mustache-growing capabilities.

I even got to have a little fun with it, starting my efforts in time to turn the 'stache into a few Halloween costumes. There was the "scummy guy with his shirt unbuttoned with a mustache," and the "business guy in a suit with a mustache giving out business advice" and my personal favorite: "guy in a moose costume with a mustache."

But undoubtedly, my favorite thing about Movember was the reactions I got for my weak, wispy excuse for a mustache. I did my best not to call attention to it, so as only to get

reactions from people that were genuine and unsolicited.

There was my sister, obviously. One of my favorite things about her is her willingness to say exactly what she thinks and, even when mocking me, to say it with love.

There was the random football player at Club Fever: "Hey dude, sick 'stache." To which I said, "Wait, really?" And he responded, "Well, you know, I respect the effort, at least."

There was the random girl at Finny's: "Ew," but I've heard that before so I'm not sure how much the mustache played into it.

There was the random co-worker and assistant managing editor of The Observer who shall remain unnamed: "Your Elmo shirt is creepy, but the mustache just makes it worse."

The final one was said to one of my friends but was too great not to include: "Hey man, that for Movember? I f*** with that. Much respect."

The wide range of responses is to be expected because mustaches are, for most guys, an aggressively bad decision. And when you make an aggressively bad decision, and you put it on your face, people are going to

notice and say something. No matter what the response, it always gives the opportunity to talk about the cause part of Movember, explaining that, for example, prostate cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer-related death in men but can be prevented with early diagnosis.

With the month of November coming to an end over Thanksgiving break, most of the mustaches on campus will likely be gone when we come back next Monday. This means that you only have a few more days left to (light-heartedly) make fun of any of your friends with bad facial hair. Calling attention to the bad mustaches calls attention to the cause, which is the point in the first place.

But come Monday, if they still have a trash 'stache, the time to make fun is over, and you may want to consider an intervention of some kind.

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Snow game

On Senior Day, senior class finishes 4-0 in home finales following 23-13 defeat of BYU

*Home victory
another move away
from losing ways*



Mike Monaco
Sports Editor

It wouldn't have been unexpected for Notre Dame to lose.

In fact, it was really a game Notre Dame has lost before.

Tommy Rees threw a fourth-quarter interception. In the red zone. In a one-score game.

Snowy conditions made for a second-half slugfest.

Arguably Notre Dame's best player, senior nose guard Louis Nix was ruled out for the season with a knee injury just two days before the game. His backup, senior Kona Schwenke, left in the first half with an injury.

The opposing team — BYU, in this case — totaled more than 400 yards of offense, 269 of which were racked up by its dynamic, dual-threat quarterback Taysom Hill.

But Saturday was different.

Rees' interception didn't come back to haunt the Irish, and the game ended with some Notre Dame students chanting the much-maligned quarterback's name.

The snow didn't hold back the Irish, and senior students were making snow angels on the field afterward instead of pelting players with snowballs as they did during the 2008 Syracuse game.

Nix — somehow — wasn't glaringly missed in the middle of the defensive line. Neither was Schwenke, who left because of his high-ankle sprain. Sophomore Jarron Jones, who was relegated to the scout team mere weeks ago, got plugged in at nose guard and responded with seven tackles, matching — in one afternoon — his career total entering Saturday's game.

Hill's ability and BYU's offense couldn't convert yards to points, as the Cougars posted just 13, tied for a season-low.

No, Notre Dame didn't lose Saturday.

"We went back to saying, look, you can't start winning until you stop losing," Irish coach Brian Kelly said.

And, by and large, Notre Dame has stopped losing.



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Irish senior linebacker Prince Shembo runs onto the field carrying his signature sledgehammer before Notre Dame's 23-13 win over BYU on Saturday. Shembo had three tackles in the Senior-Day victory.

By **SAMANTHA ZUBA**
Sports Writer

The Irish seniors bid Notre Dame Stadium farewell with a 23-13 win over BYU on a cold, snowy Saturday to go out at home as winners.

Irish coach Brian Kelly praised them for picking up the slack and improving after the Pitt loss.

"We asked our guys to do something with this game," Kelly said. "We asked a single-minded focus that they had not shown against Pittsburgh and an attention to detail. We felt like we didn't have that against Pittsburgh, and I think all of our players, in particular our seniors, really rallied to those things."

Notre Dame (8-3) converted its first possession of the game into an 84-yard touchdown drive. BYU (7-4) tied the game at seven, but after the Irish went ahead 14-7, they never surrendered the lead.

With the Irish leading 20-13, Cougars junior defensive back Craig Bills gave BYU hope in the fourth quarter when he intercepted a pass from Irish senior quarterback Tommy Rees intended for junior tight end Troy Niklas in the end zone.

Junior kicker Kyle Brindza's 51-yard field goal with the wind put Notre Dame up 23-13 several drives later, and the Irish defense ensured that the Cougars could not come back.

Brindza said he insistently told Kelly the 51-yarder was within his range and admitted he is often vocal with his coach.

"He [coach Kelly] has the confidence in me, and I have the confidence in myself, so I'm always in his ear, but he doesn't mind it, I don't think. Hopefully not," Brindza said.

Later in the fourth quarter, a 49-yard run by Cougars junior running back Paul Lasike brought BYU to the goal line, but Irish freshman linebacker Jaylon Smith batted down a pass to force a field-goal attempt, which sophomore defensive lineman Jarron Jones blocked.

Although the day was dedicated to the seniors, Kelly said younger players like freshman running back Tarean Folston and Jones, as well as reserve players like junior center Matt Hegarty also made an impact. Folston, making his first career start, scored once for the Irish and contributed on two touchdown drives. Hegarty stepped in after junior center Nick Martin left the game with a hyperextended knee.

On Sunday, Kelly said

*Rushing game
powers offense in
cold-weather win*

By **ISAAC LORTON**
Sports Writer

With flurries of snow whirling around the stadium, the Irish established their offense on the ground by rushing for 235 yards in Notre Dame's 23-13 victory over BYU. It is the second most rushing yards on the season for Notre Dame (8-3), behind the 264 yards put up against Navy.

"It was kind of an offensive lineman's dream today with the wind and running the ball," senior tackle Zack Martin said. "So we wanted to impose our will on them. In the snow it was a nice little ending there."

Notre Dame used a trio of backs on the ground against the Cougars (7-4). Junior running back Cam McDaniel ran for a career-best 117-yard performance on 24 carries. Freshman Tarean Folston, who got his first career start, ran the ball for 78 yards and one touchdown on 13 carries. Junior George Atkinson added 42 yards on six carries.

"We kind of rotate our backs," McDaniel said. "I always expect to get a lot of carries and I think our running backs should by the way we run our offense. So, I was expecting really just being ready for anything."

Irish coach Brian Kelly focused on running between the tackles in order to counteract the conditions.

"Well, it was hard to get to the perimeter," Kelly said. "And the way they were playing our outside zone play, the field was a little bit slick. The ice out there started to develop on the field with the weather conditions and made it harder, and players were getting strung out. And Cam is more of a downhill ... a physical inside runner, and so him and Tarean got a lot of carries inside out. And George really helped us out a lot today, too, with some good, physical running, as well. But that was the way the running game was set up and that's how they were defending us."

The offensive line delivered on the night, despite a knee injury to junior center Nick Martin.

"Our offensive line played absolutely phenomenal," McDaniel said. "All of those guys played

PLAYER OF THE GAME

CAM MCDANIEL
IRISH JUNIOR RUNNING BACK

Notre Dame's power back eclipsed 100 yards for the first time in his career with 117 yards on 23 carries in the game. He embraced the team's commitment to power running and allowed the Irish offense to move the ball through the snow, contributing to Notre Dame's second-highest rushing yard total of the season.

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REPORT CARD

B QUARTERBACKS

Tommy Rees concluded what has been a complicated relationship with his home crowd by delivering another winning performance. He threw a bad interception and connected on only 15 of his 28 pass attempts, but Rees's 235 yards and one touchdown were enough Saturday.

A- RUNNING BACKS

Freshman Tarean Folston got the start and turned in a nice performance with 78 yards and a score, but junior Cam McDaniel had a career day running the ball. His 117 yards came on 24 carries. Junior George Atkinson added 42 yards on some tough running in weather that necessitated the Irish run the ball effectively. The 235 rushing yards are the second-highest total on the season.

A- RECEIVERS

Senior TJ Jones racked up 95 yards on five catches while junior DaVaris Daniels led the team with 107 yards on six catches, including a 61-yard touchdown strike in the first quarter. Nobody else stood out, as Notre Dame's top two targets caught 11 of the 15 completions, but it worked.

A OFFENSIVE LINE

Banged up by injury, the Irish front put together a masterful performance. They led the way for the rushing game to run over and through the BYU defense, and they protected Rees while they were at it.

B+ DEFENSIVE LINE

Without seniors Louis Nix and Kona Schwenke for most of the day, the defensive line still produced at a high level. Junior Stephon Tuitt came down with a sack, and sophomore Jarron Jones came up with seven tackles and a blocked field goal.

B+ LINEBACKERS

Graduate student Dan Fox led the team with nine tackles and had two tackles for loss, including one sack, while his classmate Carlo Calabrese added seven tackles. Freshman Jaylon Smith had a key pass breakup at the line in the fourth quarter while honoring senior Danny Spond by wearing the number 13.

A- DEFENSIVE BACKS

Junior safety Eilar Hardy came up big with eight tackles after seeing limited time for most of the season, and sophomore cornerback KeiVarae Russell had seven tackles of his own. Senior safety Austin Collinsworth had an interception as the Irish limited BYU to 168 yards through the air.

B SPECIAL TEAMS

Junior kicker Kyle Brindza converted all three of his field-goal attempts, including one from 51 yards out to put the Irish up 10 in the fourth quarter. However, Brindza only netted an average of 28.5 yards-per-punt, and the Irish struggled to prevent returns of both kickoffs and punts. The blocked field goal in the fourth quarter was a highlight.

A- COACHING

Brian Kelly had his players ready to close out their home schedule. The Irish weren't perfect, but they were focused and rebounded from the mistakes they made.

OVERALL GPA: 3.482

Rees was unimpressive statistically and made one glaring error, but the offense was balanced and productive in difficult conditions. Defensively, the Irish struggled to contain Cougars quarterback Taysom Hill but came up with timely stops and only allowed 13 points. It was a well-earned win against a quality opponent and sends the seniors out with a win at home.

PLAY OF THE GAME

DAVARIS DANIELS' 61-YARD TOUCHDOWN CATCH FROM REES

The Irish quarterback found Daniels down the field in the first quarter to cap a five-play, 84-yard scoring drive that put the home team up early. BYU tied the game shortly thereafter, but the play put Notre Dame firmly in the driver's seat under the snow.



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Irish sophomore defensive lineman Jarron Jones (94) blocks a field-goal attempt in the fourth quarter of a 23-13 defeat of BYU on Saturday. Jones finished the day with seven tackles at the center of a banged-up defensive line.

Victory

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Martin is out for the rest of the season with a "significant knee injury."

"A lot of guys were out there with very thin resumes and they built them up today," Kelly said. "It was really good to see."

Folston ran the ball for 18 yards on three carries during Notre Dame's first touchdown drive before Rees aired it out to junior receiver DaVaris Daniels for a 61-yard touchdown and an early 7-0 lead. Daniels had already blown past the coverage when he caught the ball at the 23-yard line, and he cruised in for the score.

Folston scored his second career touchdown on the second Irish drive of the game. The rookie scampered around the left side from two yards out to put Notre Dame up 14-7.

A 29-yard pass from Rees to senior receiver TJ Jones set up the score that capped a 75-yard drive.

Folston drove the ball again for the Irish in the third quarter when he burst through the middle and broke away for a 43-yard gain that brought the ball to the BYU 18-yard line. Brindza kicked a 26-yard field goal and increased the Irish lead to 20-7.

Folston rushed for 78 yards, and junior running back Cam McDaniel led

Notre Dame with 117 yards. Kelly said the winter weather suited McDaniel's running style.

"The game style fits his — and I don't want to box him into a particular kind of runner," Kelly said. "But he's a physical inside runner, and so him and Tarean got a lot of carries inside out."

Slick field conditions came into play multiple times in the contest, forcing several players to slip. The weather and slippery conditions provided a dramatic backdrop for the end of the game, Rees said.

"It's a pretty cool way to close out a game," Rees said. "I don't know any of us that have played in a snowy game like this, but it's pretty special out there, persevere, show the kind of toughness we have as a team through any conditions."

In the second half, BYU didn't cut into the Irish lead until Cougars sophomore quarterback Taysom Hill found his stride late in the third quarter and marched BYU down the field with three carries and four passes. The Cougars were forced to kick on fourth down, but Cougars senior kicker Justin Sorensen's 27-yard kick pulled BYU to within one touchdown at 20-13.

BYU scored its first touchdown on a seven-yard pass from Hill to senior wide receiver JD Falsley with 6:48 left in the first quarter. Hill

carried the ball five times in the first quarter and was sacked by Irish senior linebacker Dan Fox once.

"We really didn't want Pitt to beat us twice, so you know, we move on from that," Fox said. "We were just really excited to play BYU and show people what we're made of."

According to Kelly, this senior class has shown what they're capable of.

"This now puts us at I think 11-1 in our last 12 [home] games, and that's something that is so important in developing a consistency in your program, is winning at home, and our seniors are so much a part of that in building that consistency at winning at home," Kelly said. "And so I thank them for that."

One of those seniors received an additional thank you during the game. Smith wore No. 13 instead of his customary No. 9 to honor senior outside linebacker Danny Spond, who retired this year because of hemiplegic migraines, but stayed with the team to mentor several young linebackers, including Smith. Smith said he was able to talk to Spond after the game in the locker room.

"I really just thanked him for letting me honor him today, and said it was a pleasure," Smith said.

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Rushing

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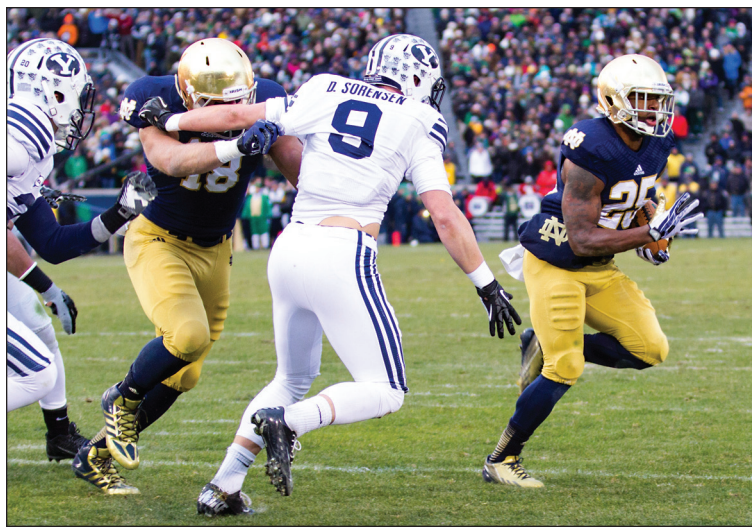
absolutely phenomenal. Even when Nick [Martin] went down, [junior Matt Hegarty] coming in played a heck of a game. Conor Hanratty coming in playing amazing, Steve Elmer as a young guy and then of course Zack [Martin] and [graduate student guard Chris Watt] playing amazing on the left side, you couldn't ask for more up front."

All three running backs had at least one rush of 10 or more yards during the game. McDaniel had a 32-yard carry, Folston broke a 48-yard run, while Atkinson sprung a 16-yard run. All three running backs now have a 100-yard rushing game. Atkinson ran for 148 yards against Oklahoma, while Folston rushed for 140 yards against Navy.

"As a running back, that's what you love, running north and south and holes open up," McDaniel said. "We just kind of do our thing from there."

Notre Dame has been able to establish a run game against BYU recently, as last year the Irish rushed for 270 yards.

"The way [the Cougars] are



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Irish freshman running back Tarean Folston, right, carries the ball during Saturday's 23-13 win over BYU. Folston had 78 yards in the game.

built in their 3-4 defense, we feel like with our big tight ends, we can cover them up," Kelly said. "I think we just match up a little bit better when they are in their three-down and when they go to four-down, it's not exactly the way they want to play, because they like to drop eight in coverage. They certainly don't want to be in four-down."

The run game established a passing game for the Irish and balanced out the offense. Notre Dame rushed for 235 yards and passed for 235 yards. Senior

quarterback Tommy Rees went 15-for-28 and threw one touchdown pass.

"This is the way we've got to play football," Kelly said. "This is Notre Dame football. This is the way we need to play. This is what we're capable of playing. It's a much more physical brand of football that we are capable of playing, and quite frankly, our team did that and they responded accordingly."

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Winning

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Sure, there was the struggle at Pittsburgh just two weeks ago, but this Irish program has turned a corner.

With the win over BYU, Notre Dame has won a combined 20 games in the past two seasons, something that hadn't been done before Kelly arrived since the 1992-93 seasons, when Lou Holtz led the Irish to a combined 21-2-1 mark.

With the win over BYU, Kelly becomes the first coach to win at least eight games in each of his first four seasons at Notre Dame since Dan Devine.

With the win over BYU, Notre Dame's seniors became the first group to win four straight Senior Day games since the 2003 seniors.

Even just over the past few years, the Irish have started winning more because they are losing less. The 29 turnovers from the 2011 season? Gone. Notre Dame has only

turned it over 29 times since 2011 — 14 times in 2013 and 15 in 2012.

There are still hiccups, still games where the Irish lose rather than the opponent wins.

Rees' three interceptions against Oklahoma put Notre Dame in an insurmountable hole. So did the two picks against Michigan and the two against Pittsburgh.

Missed tackles and blown coverage hampered the Irish in their three losses as well.

But stepping back and looking at this program from a broader perspective, the growth is palpable, not just from the Charlie Weis era, but also from the early years of the Kelly regime.

While the turnovers decrease, the depth increases. Jones was tied for third on the team in tackles, and the sophomore also blocked a BYU fourth-quarter field goal that would have made it a one-score game with more than four minutes remaining.

Junior reserve safety Eilar Hardy finished second on the squad with eight tackles.

A loss to Pittsburgh makes it easy to lose sight of the process, just as a trip to the national championship seemingly and misleadingly sped up the process.

But on Senior Day, the process proved itself with perspective and progress. Notre Dame didn't lose. For the most part, Notre Dame has been losing less.

Rees made just one mistake.

The Irish overcame brutal weather and field conditions.

A third-stringer made you forget an All-American.

"Doesn't matter how you win games as long as you get that 'W,'" Rees said.

Something the Irish are doing more and more of.

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Run game hits key threshold

By MIKE MONACO
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Notre Dame rushed for 235 yards against BYU on Saturday. Junior running back Cam McDaniel carried 24 times for 117 yards, while freshman running back Tarean Folston gained 78 yards on 13 attempts.

The Irish also rushed for at least 200 yards against Oklahoma and Navy, and Notre Dame is now 29-2 in its last 31 games when hitting the

200-yard mark on the ground.

Jones and Rees climbing the ranks

Senior quarterback Tommy Rees connected with senior receiver TJ Jones on a 30-yard completion in the first quarter. Rees vaulted over 7,000 career passing yards, becoming the fourth Notre Dame quarterback to reach the milestone.

Jones extended his school record of consecutive games with a reception to 38, and

his five catches moved the senior into a tie for third place all-time in program history with Rhema McKnight at 170 receptions.

Martin is an ironman

Graduate student left tackle Zack Martin made his 50th consecutive start, tying the school record set by former offensive lineman Sam Young.

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SCORING SUMMARY

	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	TOTAL
BYU	7	0	6	0	13
ND	14	3	3	3	23

1

NOTRE DAME 7, BYU 0

DaVaris Daniels 61-yard pass from Rees (Brindza kick)

⌚ 10:11 remaining

Drive: Five plays, 84 yards, 2:11 elapsed

NOTRE DAME 7, BYU 7

JD Falslev 7-yard pass from Hill (Sorensen kick)

⌚ 6:48 remaining

Drive: 12 plays, 71 yards, 3:23 elapsed

NOTRE DAME 14, BYU 7

Tarean Folston 2-yard run (Brindza kick)

⌚ 4:43 remaining

Drive: Eight plays, 75 yards, 2:05 elapsed

2

NOTRE DAME 17, BYU 7

Kyle Brindza 26-yard field goal

⌚ 7:35 remaining

Drive: 14 plays, 60 yards, 5:57 elapsed

3

NOTRE DAME 20, BYU 7

Kyle Brindza 26-yard field goal

⌚ 12:48 remaining

Drive: Five plays, 52 yards, 2:12 elapsed

NOTRE DAME 20, BYU 10

Justin Sorensen 31-yard field goal

⌚ 8:20 remaining

Drive: 13 plays, 80 yards, 4:28 elapsed

NOTRE DAME 20, BYU 13

Justin Sorensen 27-yard field goal

⌚ 0:39 remaining

Drive: 11 plays, 58 yards, 3:11 elapsed

4

NOTRE DAME 23, BYU 13

Kyle Brindza 51-yard field goal

⌚ 6:53 remaining

Drive: Seven plays, 25 yards, 3:34 elapsed

STATISTICS

RUSHING YARDS



PASSING YARDS



Time of Possession

33:51



Time of Possession

26:09

PASSING

Rees	15-28-235	Hill	21-36-168
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RUSHING

McDaniel	24-123	Hill	24-115
Folston	13-81	Lasike	4-101
Atkinson	6-42	Williams	18-44

RECEIVING

Daniels	6-107	Ridley	6-52
Jones	5-95	Hoffman	5-49
Robinson	1-17	Falslev	4-27

TACKLES

Fox	9	'Unga	19
Hardy	8	Bills	15
Day	7	Sorensen	6
Jones	7	Fua	6



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Irish junior running back Cam McDaniel attempts to complete a catch during Notre Dame's victory over BYU on Saturday. McDaniel did not come down with the ball but finished with a career-high 117 rushing yards on 23 carries in the contest.

BALANCED ATTACK BEATS COUGARS

Notre Dame captured a 23-13 win over BYU on Senior Day in Notre Dame Stadium. As snow flurries speckled the sky in the coldest home game since 1991, both teams relied on the ground game to move the ball. The Irish managed 235 yards on the ground while adding 235 through the air behind big days from junior receiver DaVaris Daniels, senior receiver TJ Jones and junior running back Cam McDaniel.



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Irish sophomore defensive lineman Jarron Jones, left, brings the ballcarrier to the ground during the Irish win.



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Junior receiver DaVaris Daniels completes a 61-yard touchdown catch in the first quarter of Saturday's win.



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Irish junior running back George Atkinson makes a cut during the win over BYU in Notre Dame Stadium on Saturday. Atkinson contributed 42 yards to Notre Dame's 235 rushing yards in the game.



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Irish junior receiver DaVaris Daniels goes up for a ball during Saturday's victory over the Cougars. Daniels finished with six catches for 107 yards.



'OH BOY' WOWS INTERNATIONAL AUDIENCES

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With his directorial debut, German filmmaker Jan Ole Gerster scored a huge success by making a small, personal film with "Oh Boy" (2012). The film, which is in German with English subtitles, was screened at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center's Browning Cinema this past Thursday, and featured an introduction and a question and answer session with Gerster afterwards.

"Oh Boy" follows Niko, a boyish Berlin man in his 20s with little direction in his life, as he wanders through Berlin for a day and a night. Gerster, who spent years working as an assistant to famous German directors including Wolfgang Becker before going to film school, said that he looked inward and tried to make a personal film with his debut.

Niko wakes in the morning and tries to sneak away from a woman he clearly has no interest in speaking with, but is caught

and gives us an immediate insight into his character. He does not want to hurt her feelings, but he's not emotionally invested enough to make an effort with the woman. He's young and emotionally insecure, but the audience gets the sense that he has a good heart underneath all of his insecurities and cluelessness.

Niko loses his license and his ATM card, tries and fails repeatedly to get a cup of coffee, and meets a lonely neighbor who immediately dishes on his marital problems. It's hard to tell if Niko is quiet and a good listener or quiet and does not care about the people talking to him, but there are brief flashes throughout the film that if he could just find his way in life, he has the potential to be a caring person.

The film hinges mostly on three key interactions. We see Niko meet his father at a country club, an interaction which reveals why Niko may be as uncertain about himself as he is. Niko meets an old classmate who he used to bully in middle school but the classmate has since lost

weight and grew up to be gorgeous. We see the guilt etched in Niko over dealing with his past arrogance. Finally, Niko meets an old and possibly crazy man at a bar at the end of the night, who shares a story about his memory of what was likely Kristallnacht, and we see the long lasting effect it had on the man's psyche.

Gerster said he wanted to show, at least in part, the struggle of young people coming to terms with their identity and their future, but also Berlin and Germany as a whole, and their continuing struggle to develop a new identity. The city of Berlin in particular plays a role in the film, with beautiful shots of shops, bars, theatres and train stations all giving the feeling of constant movement, without anyone actually going anywhere.

The film is shot in black and white, which Gerster explained shared a two-fold purpose of giving the story a timeless feeling and also satisfying his desire to make a black and white movie, since he is a big fan of black and white movies.

Gerster talked at length about the personal aspect of the film, calling it "personal but not private." He looked at the early films of some of his favorite directors, and said in many of the films, the director's own life and perspective were deeply engrained in the film, even if the story isn't technically autobiographical.

The challenge, he said, was to tell a story that could be truly his own and yet would be relatable and accessible to audiences everywhere. Judging by the impressive number of German Film Awards won by "Oh Boy," including Best Film, Best Direction, Best Screenplay, Best Actor, Best Supporting Actor and Best Score, it's safe to say the film resonated greatly with German audiences. And as a look into young people in Berlin, and their struggles with identity and purpose, it's a fantastic and often laugh-out-loud funny success.

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INTERVIEW WITH AWARD WINNING DIRECTOR JAN OLE GERSTER

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The Observer had the chance to sit down with German director Jan Ole Gerster before he presented his debut film, "Oh Boy" (2012), at the Browning Cinema this past Thursday evening. The film nearly swept the German Film Awards, winning Best Film, Best Direction, Best Screenplay, Best Actor, Best Supporting Actor and Best Score. Scene Editor Kevin Noonan talked to the director about his film, why he became a director and what he sees in his future. The full interview is available online at ndsmcobserver.com/scene:

KN: Your debut film, "Oh Boy," came out in 2012, what can you tell us about it? What's the idea behind it?

JG: It all started with the idea of making a film that's very personal in a way, because I was stuck in several screenplays that I wrote did not satisfy me. I think the reason for that is that I tried to follow the rules of screenwriting, how to make a film, how to write a script, with the result that I thought it was boring stuff.

So I started to rethink what filmmaking means to me, I looked at all the films, especially the first films of the people that I admire, my favorite directors. I figured out that

it's important to talk about something in your film, to make it about something that you really, really know, instead of making up stories.

I thought I'd give it a try and write about something that I've experienced, no matter if it means something to a bigger audience or not. It's just a very selfish way to think about making a movie about something that I in a way experienced.

I started the screenplay, and it sounds weird, but it was the first process of writing something that I really enjoyed, and it all went very fast. I wrote the first draft in two weeks, and gave it to a few people to read. Everybody was like, 'Okay, you gave us a few things before to read, and now we finally can say that it was not good. But this somehow is true, it's honest, it's funny. We don't know what it is, we don't know what it is about, it's a weird script, but it's fun to read.'

So I got confident with that script, and took the next step, found producers, actors, and the most important thing, some money to do it. This is weird, but I never expected a response like this, and the film found quite an audience in Germany. I've been to lots of film festivals all over the world, and I'm invited to be here at Notre Dame to present my film, and even in my wildest dreams I never expected this to happen.

KN: It was your first film, and it won the Lola, the German Film Award [for Best Feature Film], how crazy is that for you?

JG: Yeah, it was the wildest year of my life. I think I've been to 40 film festivals, I was all around the world presenting the film. I mean this is what you dream of when you decide that you want to become a director. I'm glad that it is this film that made it happen for me, to have this kind of life that I'm having right now traveling to different countries presenting the film, because it's a very personal and important film for me.

Sometimes life takes weird directions, because especially that project, I really had no expectations at all of how people would respond to that film, I just thought, 'Don't be a fraud. Write about something that you know. And make your first film funny.' Because I was waiting for that for such a long time.

KN: What parts of you do we see reflected in the film itself?

JG: I think, the character and I, we have in common this period where we are kind of paralyzed by what life has to offer, which is the right direction to go. The decisions I made when I was younger, are they still the right ones today? He's kind of paralyzed and alienated from the world he's living in

because he's basically drifting through his days, thinking but not really acting in order to find his spot in the world that he's living in. And this is something I experienced and pretty much how I felt when I went to film school.

It's a paradox, because all I ever wanted was to be in this film school, and I was dreaming about becoming a director, but then when it was really time to go and shoot something, I was like, 'Okay, this is different from what I thought it is.' Going to films, loving films, is like escaping from reality, and making a film is the complete opposite. It's like standing in front of an audience and saying, 'This is what I have to say. This is me.'

I had so many expectations for my first film that it kind of scared me a little when it was really time to do it, maybe because I was afraid as well to fail. Because if you dream about this for such a long time, you don't want it to be the worst experience of your life. So I think that's what I waited for such a long time, and that's why it took so long to find this very small and simple story, and get away from all this big ideas of huge films, and go back to something very simple and basic.

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SPORTS AUTHORITY

New Heisman hopefuls to watch



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We are less than three weeks from the Heisman Trophy ceremony, and the race for the prized award could not be more wide open. You could make a strong argument for at least six different players to take home the award, but there is no clear favorite.

So why not buck the trend and give the award to a running back or a quarterback from a smaller school?

All of this should be prefaced with the note that Florida State quarterback Jameis Winston is head and shoulders above the rest of the field, statistically speaking. But the Heisman voters probably are not interested in generating controversy, and the rape accusations swirling around Winston are nothing if not controversial. On one hand, it is unfortunate that Winston may not win because of an accusation that has not yet been close to confirmed.

On the other, Winston will have to worry about a lot more than the Heisman if he is guilty.

Still, there is a field of worthy candidates that deserve much more consideration than they have gotten. Here are some of them, from least to most deserving.

4. Teddy Bridgewater

The American Athletic Conference gets absolutely no respect because honestly the conference is terrible. It's a good thing the BCS is ending soon, because it would be a travesty to keep giving the conference an automatic bid. That being said, Louisville quarterback Bridgewater deserves to be taken seriously, even if his conference does not.

He has the highest completion percentage of any quarterback in a "major" conference, 25 touchdowns against only three interceptions and the fifth best passing efficiency in the nation. His sole loss this season came in a 38-35 defeat against No. 17 UCF. He's not the best player in the country, but you could argue that he deserves to be invited to New York, especially if Louisville wins out.

3. Ka'Deem Carrey

Arizona's Carrey is not the best running back in the country, but he is certainly close. He ranks in the top 10 for yards, touchdowns and attempts. Normally, this would not be enough to gain many votes, especially on a 7-4 Wildcats team. Unlike

any of the other players mentioned, however, he has had a Heisman "moment:" a season-defining game that fans and voters alike automatically associate with his name.

Carrey led Arizona to a win over Oregon on Saturday with four touchdowns and 206 yards. A performance like that is not quickly forgotten and forces voters to pay attention to the rest of his season, which was pretty darn good.

2. Jordan Lynch and Derek Carr

Yes, it is a little patronizing to stick Northern Illinois' Lynch and Fresno State's Carr together. They are different quarterbacks in different systems for different teams. But the reasons they will not win the Heisman are the same. They do not play for a major conference, and their schedules are too weak.

Regardless, both have been outstanding this season. Carr has been, in a word, prolific. He is in the top five in almost every statistical category for quarterbacks and has only thrown four interceptions for an undefeated team.

Lynch has been just as good. He has accounted for 38 touchdowns and is in the top 10 for both rushing yards and touchdowns. His team is still undefeated and has a shot at making its second straight BCS bowl.

Both players have not faced very tough schedules, but both are among the best in the country, and at least one should be named a finalist.

1. Andre Williams

Williams has the exact opposite problem of Lynch and Carr. He plays in a BCS conference for a team that is 7-4 and unranked. It has been over a decade since a Heisman winner's team had that many losses. He is also a running back, and not counting Reggie Bush's vacated trophy, only one running back has won in the 21st century.

Still, Williams has rushed for more touchdowns than the Eagles have thrown for all year. He is an absolute workhorse, rushing for over 400 more total yards than the next closest rusher and sporting a ridiculous 6.5 yards per carry average. Simply put, he is the best running back in the country.

Shouldn't that merit heavy consideration from the Heisman voters?

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish fall to Virginia in sweep at home

Observer Staff Report

The Irish fell to Virginia Friday night in Purcell Pavilion, after Virginia came out on top in a 39-37 opening set and finished the sweep with set scores of 25-22 and 25-11.

The first set of the match was one of four sets in ND history to reach a total above 60 points, and the first one since 2007.

Throughout the entire first set, the Irish (12-17, 6-12 ACC) and Virginia (17-13, 10-8) were never more than four points away from each other. The teams found themselves tied 22 times in throughout the set, and the lead changed seven times.

The Irish picked up speed coming off a timeout when they were down 7-11. Junior middle blocker Toni Alugbue had a kill off an assist from senior setter Maggie Brindock to bring the Irish within three.

More kills from

junior outside hitter Meg Vonderhaar and Alugbue brought the Irish to 14-14 after a Virginia timeout. The Irish then gained a lead of 20-16 off three kills from Vonderhaar, senior outside hitter Nicole Smith and Brindock.

Senior right side Sammie Brown delivered several kills to help the Irish tie the score, 35-35, with only minutes left to play.

Virginia finally took the set off a kill from junior outside hitter Tori Janowski and a service ace from freshman outside hitter Jasmine Burton.

The Irish had 24 kills and 52 total attacks in the opening set, with a .346 attack percentage. Comparatively, Virginia had 28 kills and 61 total attacks, with a .361 attack percentage.

The Irish fell behind early in the second round, with Virginia leading 17-13 right before an Irish timeout. Even after kills from Smith, Brindock and Vonderhaar,

the Irish failed to catch up. The set ended 25-22 with the win going to Virginia.

In the second set, the Irish had 10 kills and 33 attacks, with a .061 attack percentage. Virginia had 15 kills and 33 attacks with a .333 attack percentage.

Virginia took an early lead in the third set, as it advanced to 5-11 after the first timeout from the Irish. The Irish got momentary momentum near the end of the set after several attack errors from Virginia and a kill from Smith, but Virginia finished out the match with a kill from sophomore outside hitter Natalie Bausback.

In the third set, the Irish had 16 kills and 39 total attacks, with a .282 attack percentage. Virginia had 14 kills and 38 total attacks with a .263 attack percentage.

In total, the Irish had 50 kills, 124 total attacks, and 59 points.

The Irish will next play Boston College at Purcell Pavilion on Friday at 4 p.m.

NFL

Packers, Vikings play to 26-26 tie

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The Packers' losing streak without Aaron Rodgers is over, though the frustration continues in Tiletown.

A tie did little to lift spirits in chilly Green Bay.

Backup quarterback Matt Flynn threw for 218 yards and helped spark a rally from a 16-point deficit early in the fourth quarter to the Minnesota Vikings early in the fourth quarter. But the teams could only muster field goals in overtime and had to settle for a 26-26 draw Sunday.

"It's an empty feeling. You go out there and didn't lose the game," Packers coach Mike McCarthy said. "But you feel like you didn't accomplish what you set out to do."

Same sentiment in the Vikings' locker room, where one player held tightly to a hot cup of coffee to warm up following a game that started with temperatures in the upper teens.

"I view it as a loss, personally. We gave up a 16-point lead in the

fourth quarter," defensive end Jared Allen said. "I don't have a sister, but I'm going to say it's like going to prom with your sister."

For a while, the match was full of heart-racing drama.

Mason Crosby hit from 20 yards at 10:28 of the extra period and Blair Walsh connected from 35 with 3:54 left.

Greg Jennings, playing his first game at Lambeau Field as a member of the Vikings (3-8-1), dropped a third-down pass with 2:11 left. The Packers (5-5-1) also stumbled on their next possession.

One last chance for the Vikings went nowhere with 1 second left, and the teams walked off with the first tie in the NFL since the Rams and 49ers ended 24-24 on Nov. 11, 2012.

At least the 77,000-plus frigid fans got to witness a bit of history — this was first game to end in a tie under the new overtime rule instituted last year that continues the extra period if both teams open it with field goals. A touchdown by either team would have ended the game.

Jacksonville and Houston

both kicked field goals to open OT in a game on Nov. 18, 2012, then the Texans won it with a touchdown.

"I think to everybody around here, it feels like a loss, for sure," Packers linebacker A.J. Hawk said.

The Packers are also in unfamiliar territory with so much instability at quarterback. It's been that way since Rodgers — perhaps the most irreplaceable player in the NFL — hurt his left collarbone on the first series of a 27-20 loss to the Bears on Nov. 4 that started the winless string.

Flynn, Rodgers' former backup who was re-signed last week, replaced the ineffective Scott Tolzien and finished 21 of 36 for 218 yards and a touchdown. He nearly led Green Bay back from a 23-7 deficit early in the fourth quarter to a win.

Flynn caught a break in overtime after a third-down sack was called off by a holding penalty on Vikings safety Robert Blanton. He followed with three long completions, including a 34-yarder to the leaping Jarrett Boykin to the 7.

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SMC BASKETBALL | BUENA VISTA 87, SAINT MARY'S 83; WHEATON 74, SAINT MARY'S 51

Saint Mary's drops games to Buena Vista, Wheaton

Observer Staff Report

The Belles went home empty-handed after two losses at the Beth Baker Classic on Friday and Saturday in Wheaton, Ill.

The Belles (1-3) fell to Buena Vista 87-83 on Friday and came up short in a 74-51 loss to Wheaton on Saturday.

Saint Mary's had a solid tournament-opening appearance against Buena Vista (2-2) but came up just four points short after a late comeback attempt came up short. The Belles trailed by nine points with 2:12 remaining, but they could not capitalize on their efforts after making it a one-possession game in the closing minute.

The Belles held the lead for significant time in the first half. Sophomore forward Sarah Macius gave the Belles an 18-9 lead with a three-pointer, and sophomore forward Eleni Shea helped the Belles secure their biggest lead of the game with a fast-break jumper with less than six minutes left in the first period to put the Belles up 31-20.

The Belles closed the half

with a 45-36 lead, but the Beavers entered the second half ready to redeem themselves. In the opening seven minutes of the half, Buena Vista outscored the Belles 20-9 and took a two-point 56-54 lead.

Behind by nine points in the last three minutes, the Belles fought back. Saint Mary's brought the game to a score of 84-81 with a minute to go. The Beavers secured a five-point cushion, but Belles sophomore forward Krista Knapke made a layup to make it 85-83 with 31 seconds left. However, the Beavers scored two free throws with 11 seconds remaining to make the final score 87-83.

Shea had 15 points to lead the Belles, while Knapke added 13 points. Senior guard Shanlynn Bias scored 11 points and had a team-best three steals. Junior forward Ariana Paul contributed 10 points and a team-high eight rebounds.

On the second day of the tournament, the Belles opened with a back-and-forth battle against host Wheaton (4-1), but again failed to capitalize in the second half.

The Belles secured an immediate lead of 8-2 but found themselves soon tied 11-11 with 11:32 on the clock. The Thunder went on a 7-0 run to take away the Belles' three-point lead with 7:14 remaining on the half. The Belles and Thunder traded the lead several times, but the Thunder ended the half with the upper hand, 30-27.

After less than five minutes into the second half, the Thunder extended their lead to 12 points. The Belles reacted by scoring four-straight points on a jumper by Bias and a pair of free throws by senior forward Katherine Wabler to bring the score to 43-35.

Despite the Belles' efforts in the last nine minutes of the game, the Thunder went on an 11-2 run to secure a 74-51 victory.

Paul carried the Belles with 14 points, four assists, and three steals. Knapke and Bias each contributed eight points. Knapke also led the Belles with six rebounds.

The Belles move on to their home opener against Anderson on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Angela Athletic Facility.

ND CROSS COUNTRY

Irish run to top-30 finishes at NCAAs



GRANT TOBIN | The Observer

Martin Grady races at the Notre Dame Invitational on Oct. 4. Grady earned All-American honors for his 35th-place finish at NCAAs.

By ISAAC LORTON
Sports Writer

Facing cold conditions, Notre Dame finished 22nd in the men's division and 29th in the women's division at the NCAA Championships in Terre Haute, Ind., on Saturday. Irish senior Martin Grady finished in 35th overall with a time of 30:43.3 to earn All-American accolades.

"[It's] kind of a weird mix of emotions," Grady said. "It's awesome, in my last cross race, it's nice to go out on a good one like that. But, ultimately, it definitely is a team sport. The individual award takes the back seat to the team's finish. But the team was definitely supportive of me. On one hand, I am a little happy, but I can't be too happy."

After a stellar outing at the NCAA Regional Championships in Madison, Wisc. on Nov. 15, Notre Dame did not perform up to its expectations against the field of 31 teams, Irish coach Tim Connelly said.

"We didn't perform very well," Connelly said. "We were definitely disappointed with the outcome."

Graduate students Jeremy Rae (31:11.1) and J.P. Malette (31:45.8) finished in 84th and 145th place, respectively. While sophomores Michael Clevenger (31:36.0) and Timothy Ball (32:18.2) placed 132nd and 201st, respectively, to round out the team's top five finishers, Grady said the veteran runners did not meet expectations.

"The overall consensus [of the race] wasn't too happy," Grady said. "We definitely have a good amount of talent, but didn't put it together for this race. Going into the championships, we were aiming for top-15 finish, but we weren't able to get there."

On the women's side, senior Kelly Curran (21:16.6) grabbed 94th place and senior co-captain Alexa Aragon (21:25.0) took 114th

place. Sophomore Molly Seidel finished in 171st place with a time of 21:48.8. Juniors Emily Frydrych (22:26.5) and Gabby Gonzales (22:47.5) took 231st and 241st place, respectively.

Connelly said he does not know exactly why the team underperformed.

"We had people run poorly for a lot of different reasons [Saturday]," Connelly said. "There were a lot of different factors. The conditions were really bad on the course; they pushed the start up and the start was tight. We had [a] couple people fall in the start; we had one who had to come to a complete stop during the race because a group of people tripped up in front of her. The weather may have been a factor — it was in the 20's. But that doesn't mean anything, because every team had to deal with the same things we did."

Grady said the team's results in the NCAA Regional Championships capped off an underwhelming season.

"It was probably just an alright year," Grady said. "We had some pretty high expectations from last year because we returned eight people from last year. The year wasn't the greatest for how much talent we do have."

On the other hand, Connelly said the team had several positives to take away from the season.

"We didn't perform poorly on the year," Connelly said. "Getting to nationals isn't a poor year, but we never performed as well as we thought we should have."

With the meet, the Irish concluded their season. Many team members will compete in the winter track season, which begins with the Blue & Gold Meet at the Loftus Sports Center on Dec. 6.

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that.”

The Wolverines outshot Notre Dame, 13-3, in the second half and got their best opportunity in the 55th minute when a cross into the Irish box hit Andrews in the arm. Play continued for a number of seconds until the linesman halted play and signaled for a penalty kick. Michigan senior midfielder Meghan Toohey converted the kick to give the Wolverines a 1-0 lead.

Waldrum said the call that led to the penalty kick should not have been made.

“The first thing for me as a coach is if it’s a foul that decides the game, that’s one thing,” Waldrum said. “If it’s a situation like that, where it’s just a bad bounce, a reaction where there no intent, not batting it down with her arm to gain advantage, I just don’t think in an NCAA playoff game you make that call. That’s a tough thing to swallow.”

Twelve minutes later, Scofield ran stride for stride with Ezurike on a ball played over the top of the Notre Dame defense and appeared to bump the Michigan forward, though neither player fell to the turf. The referees served Scofield with a red card, forcing the Irish to play with 10 players for the rest of the game.

“It wasn’t a foul because they were running shoulder to shoulder,” Waldrum said. “I don’t know how you would call it on either one of them because if was equal contact. Neither of them even fell down.”

Playing a man down, the Irish struggled to mount much offense until the game’s final minutes.

They also had to contend with Ezurike, Michigan’s all-time leading scorer, but Little stopped the first-team All-Big Ten selection on a number of occasions.

“I thought we did a pretty good job on [Ezurike],” Waldrum said. “She got a couple of good looks. Kaela Little made a fantastic save on her in the first half, but I think she got most of her looks when we went a man down. I thought Scofield was fantastic on her today. She was the best player on the field along with Kaela in goal.”

Though the Irish mounted a handful of chances at goal in the game’s final minutes, Bucklin kept the game scoreless to end Notre Dame’s season.

“You keep pushing to get a goal, knowing that you’re taking a player out of defense,” Waldrum said. “You’re taking a big risk and gambling a bit, but we knew that we needed the goal. I thought we showed a lot of spirit and had a couple chances to score, so I’m very proud of the effort we put in.”

The loss came after Notre Dame’s 1-0 victory over Western Michigan on Friday in Ann Arbor in the second round of the NCAA Championship. Irish sophomore midfielder Cari Roccaro found the net in the 69th minute to send the Irish to the third round.

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W Interhall

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made things easy.

“Well, we started off really strong, and the offense made a couple good plays,” Rousseau said. “Ryan has a really tough offense, so they threw a couple bombs that tripped us up a little bit.”

The Wildcats’ offense almost responded their next drive behind freshman quarterback Kathleen Conaty, but the Purple Weasels’ defense stuffed Ryan at the goal line. Rogers then went back to work, bringing the Weasels back down the field and finding freshman receiver Monica Busse in the end zone for a touchdown.

Behind the strength of its two first-half touchdowns, Pasquerilla West took a 13-0 lead into halftime. On the other sideline, Ryan senior captains receiver Maddie Swan and offensive lineman Andrea Carlson, worked to keep their team’s spirits up, Wildcats sophomore running back Sarah Morris said.

“We have quite a few seniors on the team, and throughout the season they’ve always been not only teammates, but kind of mentors,” Morris said. “In this game, it was a continuation of the leadership they’ve shown all season.”

The Wildcats came out motivated in the second half, quickly closing the gap with Pasquerilla West on a touchdown pass from Conaty to sophomore receiver Erin Clark. Rogers and the Pasquerilla West offense attempted to answer, but Ryan sophomore defensive back Mary Kate McRoskey intercepted Rogers’ pass and returned it to Pasquerilla West’s

1-yard line. Two plays later, however, Conaty’s pass was intercepted in the end zone by Purple Weasels’ sophomore defensive back Bernie Jordan. Jordan returned the interception to the other end zone, extending the Pasquerilla West lead to 19-6.

Toole said Jordan’s pick was the turning point in the championship.

“I told my girls, ‘This is it, second half of the game, we need to make a good stop here, we need to get it done,’” Toole said of the Weasels’ defensive stand. “Bernie Jordan, she was just in the right place, and she was fast, and she just went. I think that moment, that’s when we realized it was our game to win.”

Ryan was able to notch another touchdown on a pass from Conaty to Swan, but the Purple Weasels then ran out the clock to preserve the 19-13 victory. Despite the loss, the Wildcats expect to return to Notre Dame Stadium, Morris said.

“We’re really excited [about the future], especially with all of our young players,” Morris said. “[We have a] freshman quarterback, a lot of sophomores, so we’re really excited about that. I think we’re only going to get better.”

Across the field, Pasquerilla West focused on celebrating the culmination of its undefeated championship season.

“It’s incredible,” Toole said. “Freshman year, we went to the stadium and lost to Howard in a heartbreaker. So it’s just so amazing to be finally here at the end of my senior year holding this trophy.”

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and captain Seamus Donegan then converted an 11-yard pass to sophomore receiver Mitchell Patin to keep Keough’s drive alive on fourth down. Donegan connected with Patin again from four yards out a few plays later to give Keough a 6-0 lead. The Dawgs (6-1) stopped the ensuing two-point conversion when Donegan’s failed to complete a pass attempt.

“We watched [Alumni’s] semifinal game and were able to pinpoint some of the weaker areas in their secondary,” Patin said. “We made their defensive backs pick one receiver to cover, which made it easier for us to move the ball through the air.”

After both teams’ second drives ended in turnovers, Keough’s defense forced Alumni to punt, and the Kangaroos took over on the Dawgs’ 41-yard line.

From there, Donegan worked the ball down the field and connected with senior receiver Kyle Gurrola for a 13-yard touchdown. Alumni stopped the two-point conversion again to keep the score at 12-0.

“Our defense came out really strong and shut them down early to give our offense a short field,” Donegan said. “It made things a lot easier for us to score.”

An interception by Keough freshman defensive back Matthew Mooney allowed the Kangaroos to go into the half up two scores.

After the break, Keough and Alumni traded punts. The Kangaroos were able to swing field position when Donegan’s pounce

punt left the Dawgs 85 yards away from the end zone at the start of the fourth quarter.

The Alumni offense seemed up to the task, as sophomore quarterback Trevor Hurley connected with senior captain and receiver Jeff Kraemer on three occasions to pick up first downs. Alumni gained 81 of its 133 yards of total offense on the drive but stalled out after it failed to convert on fourth down on the Keough four-yard line.

“Today, [Keough] got the lucky bounces, and that’s just the way it goes,” Kraemer said. “It was a hell of a year and a lot of fun.”

Backed up in the shadow of their own goal line, the Kangaroos moved closer to the title when Donegan connected with Patin for a 29-yard gain. Keough punted shortly after the play, but Alumni’s last chance at a comeback ended with a Gurrola interception.

“I knew they were going to throw it deep, and we went into prevent [defense],” Gurrola said. “We wanted to make one last big play, and I was fortunate enough to make it. This is my last football game, and I’m going to remember it for the rest of my life.”

Donegan, who threw for 114 yards, said the victory was even more special for him, considering his team went winless just two seasons ago.

“[Winning the championship] means a lot,” Donegan said. “From going winless two years ago to even just get to the stadium was really special. To win it with my brothers, I wouldn’t have it any other way.”

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Seamus Donegan attempts a pass in Keough’s 19-13 victory over Alumni. The captain threw for 114 yards in the championship game.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | NOTRE DAME 76, PENN 54

Irish take down Quakers

By **BRIAN HARTNETT**
Sports Writer

No. 5 Notre Dame may have been making its first road trip of the season, but the Irish showed many of the same characteristics that have made them successful at Purcell Pavilion, as they received contributions from both veteran leaders and freshmen to defeat Penn, 76-54, at The Palestra in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Notre Dame senior guard and captain Kayla McBride propelled the Irish (4-0) with 15 points and nine rebounds, while senior forward and captain Ariel Braker added nine rebounds.

Notre Dame's third senior captain, forward Natalie Achonwa, compiled four points and three rebounds in her first game since undergoing surgery for a meniscus tear in her right knee Oct. 30.

"[Achonwa's] conditioning looked really good," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We were worried that if you take a month off, you expect that she's not going to be in great shape, but she really was. I think she was a little rusty in terms of game situations, but overall, I was really pleased with what she was able to do for us."

Achonwa's entry into the

starting lineup forced freshman forward Taya Reimer to come off the bench for the first time in her college career, but Reimer still saw plenty of playing time, as she totaled 14 points and four rebounds in 22 minutes of action.

"I expect [Reimer] to play about the same number of minutes that she was playing as a starter, and she gives us a great lift off the bench," McGraw said. "We don't lose anything when she comes into the game. I think we really have six people who can start anytime."

The Irish struggled at the start against the Quakers (0-2), as the two teams were deadlocked at eight five minutes into the game.

"I didn't think we came out with the intensity that we needed," McGraw said. "I'm not sure if it was just because we were on the road, but we certainly didn't handle it as well as we did the first three games at home."

Notre Dame soon went on an 11-0 run to jump out to a 19-8 lead, but, helped by some timely rebounds, Penn cut the lead to 21-17 with 7:34 left in the first half.

After averaging more than 50 rebounds in its first three contests, the Irish struggled to get the edge on the boards, gaining

a 43-37 rebounding edge on the Quakers.

"I was disappointed with our effort to rebound," McGraw said. "I really was. I thought we could have done a lot better. That's something we really pride ourselves on, and we need to do a better job."

Notre Dame finished out the first half on a 9-2 run to open up a 12-point halftime lead.

Penn cut Notre Dame's lead to 36-27 with 18:59 to go in the second half, but the Quakers would not come any closer, as the Irish shot at a .485 clip from the field in the final frame to cruise to a 76-54 victory.

Notre Dame finished with a .625 shooting percentage from 3-point range and received 35 points off the bench, including 13 from sophomore guard Michaela Mabrey. The Irish committed only 12 turnovers, which tied their season low.

"I think [freshman guard] Lindsay Allen is doing a fantastic job taking care of the ball," McGraw said. "Overall, I think we're making good decisions and playing with a lot of intelligence."

Notre Dame returns to action on Tuesday, when it hosts No. 25 DePaul at Purcell Pavilion.

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HOCKEY | UMASS-LOWELL 1, ND 0; UMASS-LOWELL 3, ND 1

ND swept by UMass-Lowell



MICHAEL YU | The Observer

Bryan Rust pushes the puck in a win over Merrimack on Nov. 16. The senior scored Notre Dame's lone goal in its series with UMass-Lowell.

By **JACK HEFFERON**
Sports Writer

No. 6 Notre Dame sent a threadbare squad on the plane to New England, only to have No. 11 Massachusetts-Lowell park the bus on them.

Going up against the River Hawks (10-4-0, 4-1-0 Hockey East) and their highly defensive brand of hockey, the Irish (8-5-1, 2-3-1) managed just one goal on the weekend and lost 1-0 Friday and 3-1 Saturday at the Tsongas Center in Lowell, Mass.

The losses both came on nights where Notre Dame outshot the hosts but had trouble finding the back of the net.

"I think our guys worked hard," Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. "We had plenty of opportunities. We just didn't finish. They pack five guys in front of the goal, and their goalie played quite well. He didn't allow us a lot of second-chance opportunities."

Friday night's game came down to one shot, which came off the stick of River Hawks junior center Stephen Buco. A pair of Irish penalties gave UMass-Lowell a two-man advantage late in the first period, which Notre Dame killed off. On a subsequent power play, however, the River Hawks gained the zone on a rush past tired Irish penalty killers, allowing Buco to slip a backhand past Irish senior goaltender Steven Summerhays.

That goal was all it took to give UMass-Lowell the opening win in the series.

"That's a goal I think Steve Summerhays would probably like to have back, but if you start playing the game thinking that you can't give up any goals, that's not good," Jackson said. "We need to get our team going again offensively."

The Irish struggled to rally back on both Friday and Saturday nights, as a lack of depth due to injuries wore down the team on the penalty kill. Notre Dame's

lack of depth on the penalty kill proved costly again Saturday night, as the Irish fell behind early on two first-period power-play goals from UMass-Lowell. The Irish halved the lead in the second period off a power-play goal of their own from senior winger Bryan Rust, only to have the River Hawks put the game away with a late empty-netter, which came, like all their other goals on the weekend, with a man advantage.

"The injuries do have an impact," Jackson said. "It's tough to kill off multiple penalties in a row when you've got four or five guys going every other shift. The guys we're using right now are some of our top offensive guys, and I think that tires them out from scoring goals. That certainly had an impact on our special teams. But we can't use that as an excuse. We have to be better."

The Irish will have some help in their quest to improve. For one, the team stands just four games away from its four-week Christmas break, which will allow Notre Dame time to work on its weaknesses and heal up its battered roster.

Additionally, with the exception of an outdoor game against Boston College at Fenway Park in early January, the Irish have no true road games until the first weekend of February, which will give them a break from their punishing Hockey East travel schedule.

Jackson's focus, though, extends only as far as next weekend.

"We have four games before break, and this weekend we need to get a little confidence back offensively," Jackson said. "We have to focus on what's ahead of us, not what's behind us, and right now we have to focus on getting to Christmas break and getting guys back."

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shot straight into the right side of the goal from the spot of the foul.

Sophomore midfielder Patrick Hodan almost slammed the door on the Badgers (14-5-4, 4-2-0 Big Ten) with a shot on an open net toward the end of the first half, but Wisconsin junior defender AJ Cochran stepped in front of the ball to prevent a third Notre Dame goal.

The Irish went into halftime with a 2-0 lead, but Hodan stretched the lead to three just 10 minutes into the second period, when he sent a long free kick straight past Jentsch and into the back of the net.

"The goal right after halftime was a killer for them," Clark said. "I think they came out hoping to get something back, but that made it very difficult for them."

The Irish were not done just yet. In the 65th minute, Shipp gave the Irish a 4-0 lead with a short-range chip shot that landed just inside the back post.

Until Shipp's second goal of the night, the Irish had not scored four goals in an NCAA Championship game since beating Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 4-1, in 2003.

But when it came time to bestow MVP honors, it wasn't one of the goal-scorers who earned Clark's kudos.

"I would give the biggest plaudit to our grounds crew for getting that field [ready]," Clark said. "They covered it with a tarp down on Friday, and then they cleared it today, and they did a good job."



ZACH LLORENS | The Observer

Evan Panken goes up for a header in Notre Dame's second-round victory over Wisconsin. The sophomore put up three of the 15 Irish shots.

Although Shipp wore two pairs of socks to keep his feet warm during the game, he said the temperatures in the low-20s didn't bother the players once play began.

"I think the biggest thing was the lack of wind," Shipp said. "It was cold, but honestly I didn't even think about it. I don't think many people did think about it. When it's really windy, it's something you think about each half, whether you're going into the wind or out of the wind."

The Irish will now face No. 14 Wake Forest, who defeated Navy, 2-1, during Sunday's second-round action. Wake Forest (10-5-5, 6-1-4 ACC) is not an unknown quantity for the Irish,

who defeated the Deacons, 3-1, on Nov. 2.

"Wake Forest is a very, very good team, arguably the best team we've played in the ACC," Clark said. "[It's] between them and Virginia. This will be a challenge. It's the same kind of challenge we ran into last year when we played Indiana. So can we grow and can we take it another step? I think we feel we've been on the doorstep a few times now, but it's not easy in these one-off games."

The Irish will host Wake Forest at Alumni Stadium in the third round of the NCAA Championship on Dec. 1.

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M Bball

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Sherman averaged 17.5 points and 7.5 rebounds.

Brey said he liked how Sherman responded to the loss one week ago.

"He didn't need to go to confession," Brey said of Sherman. "We need him. He has to be our scoring threat in the low post. To keep nurturing that is really important to me with him. ... I'm really pleased with the weekend for him."

After shooting just 37 percent in the first half, the Irish shot 75 percent in the second period. Notre Dame shot 6-for-8 on 3-pointers in the second half.

"I liked our energy level in the second half much better than the first half," Brey said. "Disappointed in our juice in the first half; second half, better, more efficient offensively and made better decisions in transition."

The Irish scored all 10 of their fast-break points in the second half, as the Black Knights turned the ball over nine times in the period. Notre Dame finished the game with 31 points off Army miscues.

"For the most part in the game, we competed in terms of rebounding, but we didn't take care of the ball, which puts us in a hole in the transition game," Army coach Zach Spiker said. "That led to a number of easy looks, and that's why we saw their shooting percentage extremely high in the second half."

The Irish starting backcourt combined for 10 steals, leading to some easy opportunities in the open court.

"Our team is really good in transition," Grant said. "I think getting steals leads to that. As long as you can get out in transition, our offense will be good."

Army did not make a 3-pointer in the first half and shot just 5-for-25 from behind the arc.

"We were going to have to take that away, or else it could have got real interesting," Brey said.

Sherman helped Notre Dame open up a 15-point second-half lead by scoring 10 consecutive points in a 2:50 span. The Irish iced the game with an 18-0 run across 3:21 to build a 33-point lead.

Burgett made his first career start against Army, replacing graduate student forward Tom Knight in the lineup. He scored two points and grabbed five boards in 20 minutes of action.

"Maybe everybody I start in that spot can't handle it," Brey said. "We'll just keep trying guys until somebody can handle it."

"We don't have time to feel sorry for him," Brey said. "Who wants to start and who can play? We'll figure it out."

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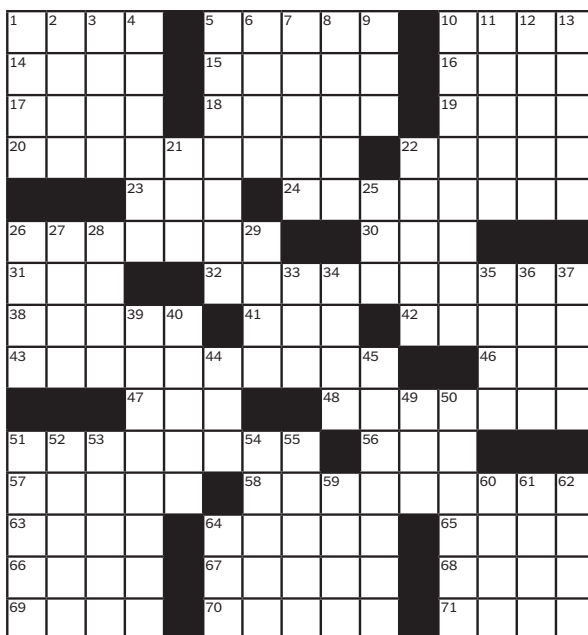
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 - 26 Alternative to "shape up"
 - 30 Vote for
 - 31 The "p" in r.p.m.
 - 32 Neckwear just right for the occasion?
 - 38 Have a life
- Down**
- 41 U.K. honour
 - 42 Posturepedic maker
 - 43 Neckwear for informal occasions?
 - 46 ____ rummy
 - 47 Top of a woman's swimsuit
 - 48 City that a song asks "Do you know the way to ...?"
 - 51 Neckwear for boyfriends?
 - 56 "O Sole ____"
 - 57 States with confidence
 - 58 Neckwear in a work of fiction?
 - 63 Rosemary, for one
 - 64 Blew it
 - 65 Doughnut shapes, mathematically
 - 66 Song in a libretto (ship in 1956 headlines)
 - 68 Furry ally of Luke Skywalker
 - 69 Major Calif.-to-Fla. route
 - 70 With cunning
 - 71 100-yard race, e.g.



Puzzle by Tom Pepper

- 36 Yale students, informally
- 37 "Auld Lang ____"
- 39 Like bedroom communities
- 40 Bite-size pies, maybe
- 44 China's Chou En-____
- 45 Expeditious type of delivery
- 49 Goose egg
- 50 Scribbled (down)
- 51 Faith founded in 19th-century Persia
- 52 Turn inside out
- 53 Eagle's nest
- 54 Become a member: Var.
- 55 "My bad"
- 59 Part of a bridal ensemble
- 60 Des Moines's state
- 61 Arrow shooter of Greek myth
- 62 Worshiper in a temple
- 64 Magazine staffers, for short

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SOLUTION TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE 11/19/12

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1	9	8	2	3	4	7	6	5
6	5	4	1	7	8	9	2	3
9	7	5	8	2	1	6	3	4
8	6	2	4	9	3	1	5	7
3	4	1	7	6	5	2	9	8
4	8	9	5	1	6	3	7	2
7	1	6	3	4	2	5	8	9
5	2	3	9	8	7	4	1	6

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

HOROSCOPE | EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Sarah Hyland, 23; Katherine Heigl, 35; Colin Hanks, 36; Pete Best, 72.

Happy Birthday: Keep a level head and communicate with diplomacy. Make each move with a plan that will enable you to avoid interference. Think outside the box and offer unique solutions to any problem that arises. How you handle others will be the key to your success this year. Acceptance and adaptability will show you are willing to work with others. Your numbers are 4, 18, 23, 26, 33, 37, 49.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will discover a way to enhance your financial situation through an unusual but profitable manner. Protect your reputation from someone who may be jealous or feels threatened by you. Rise above and treat such a matter with class, not revenge. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Gravitate toward the people who have something substantial to offer. Show off your skills and knowledge and you will be given an opportunity to try your hand at something that interests you. Romance will entice you. ★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Connect with people from your past. Attending a re-union or taking a walk down memory lane will remind you of past wins and losses. Learn from what you've encountered along the way and you will prosper emotionally and financially. ★★★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You don't have to make changes to follow your dreams. Impulsive moves will work against you when it comes to getting ahead or maintaining your reputation. Focus on an important relationship. Put love first. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do your best to avoid trouble at home or with family. Get involved in activities that will help you explore something that interests or challenges you physically. Personal improvements will do you good and help you prosper. ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Communication is your ticket to getting what you want when you want it. Express your desires and be open about your feelings and you will turn an important relationship into something very special. Make a domestic change for the right reason. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get the facts before going off on a tangent that will leave hard feelings between you and a close friend. It's not worth arguing over assumptions about what's happened in the past. Make a decision you can live with and move forward. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep your emotions well hidden. Put your attention on what you want to achieve or enjoy doing. Include the people you love in your plans for the future as well as the present. A romantic end to your day will enrich your love life. ★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Keep moving, but don't take physical risks that can result in injury. Mishaps are apparent if you don't look before you leap emotionally or financially. Cut corners at home and you will have cash to explore a new interest. ★★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take care of business, regardless of what day of the week it is. Money matters must be looked at carefully and a strategic move made. You stand to prosper through a joint venture. Money contracts and romance are highlighted. ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Being led astray by someone who is trying to get something from you is apparent. You must look at the motives behind what you are being asked to do. Look for a way to appease others without restricting your options. ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): By helping others, you will end up in a position that will allow you to present and promote your own interests. Contracts and settlements will favor you. Your relationships will grow, your love life will be enriched and your ledger will show profits. ★★

Birthday Baby: You are creative, charming and progressive. You are impulsive and demonstrative.

JUMBLE | DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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

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

Print answer here: ○○○○○○○○○

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: HONEY KIOSK SYMBOL CRAFTY
 Answer: What they called the bad Irish tribute band — SHAM ROCK

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER | ND 1, WMU 0; MICH. 1, ND 0

Notre Dame exits in Sweet 16

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

In 90 minutes of soccer in arctic conditions at University of Michigan Soccer Stadium in Ann Arbor, Mich., two bounces helped to decide the third-round NCAA Championship matchup between No. 23 Notre Dame and No. 11 Michigan on Sunday, as the Wolverines defeated the Irish, 1-0, to end their season.

An inadvertent handball call that led to a successful Michigan penalty kick early in the second half and a red card issued to Irish junior defender Sammy Scofield in the 67th minute proved to be the differences.

"It's disappointing to get to this point where we lost to a team that we're actually better than," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "But I'm really proud of the fight they put in, especially in the last twenty

minutes when we had the man down."

With temperatures dipping into the low 20s, the Irish (13-8-1, 7-5-1 ACC) jumped out of the gate strong, controlling play and peppering Michigan freshman goalkeeper Taylor Bucklin with shots early. Notre Dame senior midfielder Mandy Laddish gave the Irish their best scoring chance in the half with her strike off the cross bar in the 15th minute. Irish freshman Kaela Little did her part to keep the Wolverines (18-3-1, 9-1-1 Big Ten) off the board by notching five first-half saves, including a diving stop on a shot by Michigan senior forward Nkem Ezurike.

"The first 25 minutes was very good," Waldrum said. "I thought we were the better team and had a good rhythm going. For whatever reason, we kind of lost

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MEN'S SOCCER | NOTRE DAME 4, WISCONSIN 0

ND lights up Wisconsin

By VICKY JACOBSEN
Sports Writer

Junior forward Vince Ciccirelli gave No. 3 Notre Dame the early lead over No. 19 Wisconsin, and Irish piled on during Sunday night's frigid game at Alumni Stadium, earning a 4-0 win and a spot in the third round of the NCAA Championship.

"Obviously it was a good game from our point of view, and I thought [the Badgers] were a good team," Irish coach Bobby Clark said. "They play well, but we scored the early goal... I think it was a good performance."

Ciccirelli broke open the game in the seventh minute in what first appeared to be an off-balance shot headed over the goal. Instead, the arching shot sailed between the crossbar and the hands of Wisconsin senior goalkeeper Max Jentsch to put the Irish (13-1-6, 7-1-3 ACC) ahead, 1-0.

"We got that goal in the first 10 minutes, and I think that forced



ZACH LLORENS | The Observer

Vince Ciccirelli vies for a kick with a Wisconsin defender in the Irish win Sunday. The junior scored a goal in the game's eighth minute.

them to come out and play," Irish senior forward Harrison Shipp said. "I think they wanted to play a more defensive strategy, but when we got that early goal it forced them to pressure higher up the field and allowed big spaces behind, which we

took advantage of." Shipp stretched the lead to 2-0 with a goal off a free kick in the 22nd minute. "The Little Wizard" needed no trickery to sink this one, as he powered the

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | NOTRE DAME 84, SANTA CLARA 69; NOTRE DAME 93, ARMY 60

Irish claim weekend wins

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS
Assistant Managing Editor

Notre Dame rebounded from its first loss of the season to sweep a pair of games against Santa Clara and Army this weekend.

The Irish (4-1) beat Santa Clara (2-2), 84-69, on Friday night behind 20 points from senior guard Jerian Grant and 16 apiece from graduate student Garrick Sherman and senior guard Eric Atkins.

"Nothing was that easy tonight," Atkins said Friday. "[Santa Clara] knocked down some contested shots early, but we also made every shot contested. That was the biggest difference for us since last Sunday."

Freshman guard Demetrius Jackson posted career-highs in both points (13) and rebounds (eight), while sophomore forward Austin Burgett pulled down a season-best 10 rebounds.

"[Burgett] had 10 rebounds and was active and all over the place," Irish coach Mike Brey said Friday. "He's giving us really big minutes. He's another guy like Demetrius that can really grow."

Santa Clara junior guard Brandon Clark led the Broncos with 21 points on 8-for-15 shooting.

The Broncos hung with the Irish for most of the first half, leading 23-22 with 7:03 left in the opening period. But the Irish ripped off a 17-5 run to claim an 11-point lead, capped by Jackson's 3-pointer



MICHAEL YU | The Observer

Jerian Grant goes up for a shot against Santa Clara on Friday. The guard led the Irish in scoring with 20 points in the 84-69 victory.

with 2:21 left in the half. Notre Dame never trailed again in the game.

Santa Clara cut the Irish lead to four points midway through the second half, but Notre Dame responded with a 12-0 run over the next 3:03, opening up a 16-point cushion.

Notre Dame owned the boards against the Broncos, outrebounding Santa Clara, 42-25, including 16-10 on the offensive glass.

The Irish also capitalized on their trips to the charity stripe, hitting 23 of 27 free throws in the game.

On Sunday afternoon, Notre Dame used balanced scoring and a hot second half to coast to a 93-60 win over Army (1-4).

Sherman and Grant led the balanced Irish attack with 19 points each, as the duo shot a combined 14-for-19 from the floor. Sherman added seven rebounds, while Grant tallied eight assists and six steals.

In the team's loss to Indiana State last Sunday, Sherman had just four points and five rebounds. In the two wins this weekend,

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MEN'S INTERHALL | KEOUGH 12, ALUMNI 0

Keough earns first championship

By ALEX CARSON
Sports Writer

All three of No. 4 Keough's units — offense, defense and special teams — contributed to its first interhall title Sunday with a 12-0 victory over No. 2 Alumni at Notre Dame Stadium.

The Kangaroos (6-1) controlled

the game from the start, as they forced an early three-and-out on Alumni's first drive.

Senior Samuel Bungum blocked the ensuing Dawgs punt, allowing the Keough offense to take over on the 20-yard line.

Kangaroos senior quarterback

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL | PASQUERILLA WEST 19, RYAN 13

Weasels finish year undefeated

By CASEY KARNES
Sports Writer

No. 1 Pasquerilla West completed an undefeated championship season Sunday with a 19-13 victory over No. 2 Ryan on the frozen tundra at Notre Dame Stadium.

Despite temperatures in the 20s and snow covering the ground, Pasquerilla West (9-0) got off to a strong start. Senior quarterback Rachel Rogers led the Purple Weasels on several early incursions

deep into Wildcats territory. Pasquerilla West caused a turnover-on-downs on Ryan's first possession, and then Rogers marched down the field before finding freshman receiver Danyelle Steichen in the end zone to give the Purple Weasels an early 6-0 lead. Senior offensive lineman Elaine Rousseau said Pasquerilla West's good start gave the team confidence, but Ryan (7-1-1) never

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