Lecture examines gay life on campus

Alumni, students, expert participate in talk as part of StaND Against Hate Week events

By KATIE PERALTA
Assistant News Editor

As a part of Notre Dame’s StaND Against Hate Week, student government hosted a talk titled “Homosexuality Under the Dome: Past Struggles and Present Solutions” Tuesday night at the Hesburgh Library.

Notre Dame alumni and student members of the LGBTQ (lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning) community opened the discussion with personal testimonies about their experience with discrimination at Notre Dame and their suggestions as to how to improve an environment of inclusion on campus.

All five speakers reverberated the same theme in their solutions: amending the University’s nondiscrimination clause to include sexual orientation.

Tom Field, a 1954 graduate of the Program of Liberal Studies (PLS) and former student body president, began the talk with a series of questions invoking the power of the Holy Spirit.

“How can we tell when the Holy Spirit speaks to us?” Field said.

“When the Holy Spirit speaks to us, we will call him to gather our personal integrity. For gay and lesbian individuals, that means recognizing that God made no mistakes,” Field said. “If honesty is a critical element in the understanding process for the gay community.

“We have to be honest with ourselves about who we are,” he said. “And therefore we have to be honest with others about who we are.”

Field said his experience as a gay man at Notre Dame was not an easy one.

“Violence at Notre Dame warped and changed my life profoundly. It was an internal violence,” he said. “I was totally closeted here and nothing in my environment provided a path to self-awareness and personal integrity.”

Icebox Bass Tournament in the St. Joseph River, and we key outings on the campus lakes.

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Stimple said the club officers. Stimple said club officers are currently looking for new tournaments to participate in next year to provide more opportunities for club members.

Lastly, the club aims to attend all three tournaments, this year was a slow year for the club as they were unable to attend any of the aforementioned tournaments due to various conflicts and complications.

“We had a lot of member conflicts with the two Steelhead tournaments this year,” Stimple said. “The Icebox tournament pairs us up with boaters, but there has been a shortage of boaters due to the economy, so we were unable to go the past two years.”

The collegiate tournaments involve fishing clubs from regional universities, such as Western Michigan, Indiana and Purdue. However, Stimple said club officers are currently looking for new tournaments to participate in next year to provide more opportunities for club members.

The fishing club currently enlists 37 dues-paying members and several current and former club officers. Stimple said club dues cover the costs of a club shirt, necessary equipment, gas, hotel accommodations and entry fees for tournaments.

But club members are

McAdams delivers Last Lecture

By JOHN TIERNEY
Senior News Writer

The Spirit of Notre Dame is transformative for professors and students alike.

“...every act of teaching is an act of love and sacrifice.”

“It is about getting out there on the stage and making yourself very vulnerable.”

“...it’s important to be honest about your mistakes and your shortcomings.”

“Being at Notre Dame gives you perspective not just as a student, but for me as a teacher,” McAdams said.

Prior to coming to Notre Dame in 1992, McAdams taught at Princeton University. The news media frequently consulted him as an Eastern European expert during the collapse of the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. His television presence during this period allowed his ego to grow too large, McAdams said.

When the network television stations no longer needed an East Germany expert, McAdams said he “waited for that phone to ring and it never rang again.”

Inside, I waited for that mas- sive recognition of my bountiful wisdom and it didn’t happen again,” he said.

McAdams said Notre Dame helped him to regain perspective and become a better teacher.

“I began to recognize that Notre Dame is different,” McAdams said.
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Logical reasoning**

The definition of “logic” in my pocket dictionary reads, “sound reasoning.” But there are some days when I find it a bit difficult to use sound reasoning, at least four nights a week.

The weekends. I must work on that. I do not use “sound reasoning” more often than not. Yet, undoubtedly, a rash room pick will be made, regretted only a few hours later and yet lived in for a full year.

Logic can be applied to finding somewhere off-campus to live. Sign the lease on the house that is most interesting, because, again, of multiple things, there is always one most interesting.

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**IN BRIEF**

A presentation, “Atticus Finch: Not Only Gregory Peck But Also Southern Gentleman and County-Seat Lawyer Whose Daughter is a Whiz-Bang,” will be held tonight from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Geddes Hall Auditorium. The lecture is promoting the One Book, One Michigam project and is open to the public.

A lecture, “Sportswriter is One Word,” will be held in the Hough Library Carev Auditorium tonight at 7:30 p.m. Writer and commentator Frank Deford will speak as a part of the Red Smith Lecture in Journalism series. The event is free and open to the public.

Artist Caroline Chiu will be present at an artist talk and lecture in the Suits Museum of Art Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. She will speak about her two current exhibitions. The event is open to the public.

The Relay for Life, Fightin’ Irish Finin’ Cancer will take place Friday through Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium, starting at 6 p.m. Friday evening. Register online at Relay for Life’s Web site.

A lecture, “Notre Dame vs. the Klan,” will take place at the Geddes Hall Auditorium at 10 a.m. Saturday. Author Todd Tucker, graduate of the class of 1990, will lecture. The event is free and open to the public.

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

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College artist featured at South Bend museum

By ALICIA SMITH
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Nicole Krou has talked about being an artist since preschool. “We had preschool graduation,” Krou said. “We had this stupid ceremony and we walked across the stage and this lady — I don’t know who she was — asked us what we wanted to be when we grow up. At the rehearsal I told her artist, then at the actual graduation I said I wanted to be a paleontologist.”

Today, Krou has the opportunity to show off her work in the South Bend Museum of Art. “I thought it was pretty cool, and it was actually rather terrifying,” she said. “I just want you to feel an emotion. I just want you to kind of look at her work will feel some sense of nostalgia. ‘The kitchen floor is a nice place,” Krou said. “Good light. Pretty much wherever it’s suitable. I don’t want to limit myself. When it happens, it happens.”

Krou said she’s willing to work anywhere. She often works within the print studio at the College, on her kitchen floor or out on her deck at her off-campus housing. “The keyboard is a nice place,” Krou said. “Good light. Pretty much wherever it’s suitable. I don’t want to limit myself. When it happens, it happens.”

Krou said she hopes those who look at her work will feel some sense of nostalgia. “I just want you to kind of look at it and he like, ‘hey, I remember that, that was cool. That makes me feel happy inside,’” Krou said. “I just want you to feel an emotion.”

After Saint Mary’s, Krou said she plans to attend grad school, but hopes to go abroad. “I want to learn about American democracy in a work that was infectious — they were so new to them,” Muñoz said. “The eagerness of the students was so great. Just like a seminar at Notre Dame.”

But he said teaching students who are so unfamiliar with concepts like freedom of speech and freedom of religion — concepts most Americans do not think twice about — was refreshing. “The trip reminded me why I love to teach these things, because the students were so hungry to learn and the ideas were so new to them,” Muñoz said. “The eagerness of the students was infectious — they desire so much to live as a stable democracy like America.”

Prof. travels to Iraq to teach

By SARA FELESENSTEIN
News Writer

A Notre Dame political science professor had the unique opportunity last month to teach students about “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness” in a place where such terms are foreign and difficult to grasp.

Professor Vincent Muñoz traveled to the American University of Iraq - Sulaimani (AU-I S) to teach students about the principles behind the United States Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

“The ideas were new and not familiar. They really wanted to know what it means to have the right to life, the right to liberty,” Muñoz said. “They had not seen the arguments for these ideas before.”

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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Group reviews ImproveND survey

By MOLLY MADDEN
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The Council of Representatives (COR) was given a presentation about the results of the ImproveND survey at its meeting on Tuesday, April 6. Kat Solter said: "This survey was really extensive about everything at Notre Dame," stated the current president-elect. "We’ve never really done a comprehensive student survey before this." The survey, which participated in by 50 percent of the undergraduate students, which Hoffman Harding said "was really good considering the survey wasn’t mandatory." The results of the survey were examined in the context of gender, class year and College and focused on three main categories of academic services, extra and co-curricular activities and campus environment and services. Hoffman Harding said many of the results fit with the results of past surveys in regards to specific subjects and areas. But she said some of the results were "shocking." "We asked the question how much time an individual student spends on academic activities outside of class and there was a huge difference based on the College," she said. According to the results the survey over 60 percent of Arts and Letters and Business students spend 15 hours a week on academic work outside of class. This is a huge contrast to the School of Architecture, where 30 percent of students said they spend 25 hours or more a week on academic work. "The University officers weren’t very happy with those results," Hoffman Harding said. "They want to make sure they’re serving the students in their academic endeavors." Solter said she was also surprised by the results. "I’m pretty shocked especially being a Business major," she said. "We do a lot of group projects and still over 60 percent say that they spend less than 15 hours a week studying." Hoffman Harding said the survey showed many students are upset by the lack of diversity on campus, something Hoffman Harding has become a "high priority for the University." Hoffman Harding asked COR members to take in what the survey revealed and think of ways how student leaders can address the issues of concern. "The one big question we have for you coming out of this is what do you student leaders think is important," she said. "We did this for a reason. We want to better ourselves and make Notre Dame better for you." Contact Molly Madden at mmadden3@nd.edu

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We’re trying to reach out to all women who are looking at entering and in certain fields, we can apply to all majors," UWIB president senior Staysha Sigler said.

Many of the organizers of the conference said that the purpose of the conference is to challenge the traditional notion there aren’t many women currently in the workforce and making in the workforce. Sigler said: "It’s about learning from each other’s own experiences in the field." The conference will feature two keynote speakers: Dean Carolyn Woo of the Mendoza College of Business and Diane Gayas, president of DuPont Performance Polymers. "These are women who are going to talk about what they’ve gone through and help prepare us for this new environment," Sigler said.

While the organizers said the conference is primarily an educational experience, there are also networking opportunities. The 10 companies visiting are ones that Sigler says are supportive of women’s roles in the workplace.

"Today, companies are realizing that women are assets," Sigler said. "There are a lot of opportunities for women that are out there and companies are coming to realize that and utilize them.

With Mendoza College of Business recently being ranked the top business school in the country, Sigler said events such as the Women’s Professional Development Conference are necessary to be worthy of the title. "Other top business schools in the country have workshops like this," she said. "If we want to step up to the challenge of being the number one business school in the country then we need to keep having events like this and make them bigger and better." Contact Molly Madden at mmadden3@nd.edu

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required to purchase their own fishing licenses during the club’s trips.

Although the majority of club members have fished prior to joining the club, a large range of experiences among the members, from those who fish every day in the summer to members who only fish at school.

No one should be scared of not being experienced enough to join the club," Stimple said. "It’s not that important to have previous experience fishing." In addition to participating in outdoor events and tournaments, the club’s major project this year was preparing and maintaining their rec center and points for use on the campus lakes.

We had to make sure they were up to safety standards and purchase life jackets, oars and a trailor," Stimple said. "We can start using the boats by next weekend." Stimple said goals for next year include buying a slow motor for each boat to simplify fishing on campus and to purchase enough equipment for members to be able to fish nearby more often. He also said he hopes to find a way to use the boats on nearby rivers in addition to on campus.

Stimple said many members heard about the club at Activities Night and also through friends who have been members in the past, but he encouraged anyone with an interest in fishing to consider joining the club.

"It’s a fun way to get out and relax during busy or stressful stretches of school," Stimple said. "We want to see club membership grow next year." In the future, Stimple said he hopes club members take advantage of the opportunity to fish on their own time during the school year.

"If a club member wants to fish on his own, he just has to e-mail the officers, and they will do their best to provide the necessary equipment," Stimple said. "No one needs their own equipment, so members can just find a friend and fish whenever they want to." Contact Kristen Durbin at kdurbin@nd.edu

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Governor signs bills restricting abortion

Lincoln, Neb. — Two landmark measures putting new restrictions on abortion became law in Nebraska on Tuesday, including one that cuts back on a woman's right to seek an abortion early in pregnancy.

Police Capt. Jerry Minger says the death is being investigated as a possible suicide, but it's unclear if the victim is a student because the body has not been identified.

Adoption advocates petition Russia

WASHINGTON — Mike Huckabee, a possible Republican presidential candidate in 2012, says the effort to allow gays and lesbians to marry is comparable to legalizing incest, polygamy and drug use.

Huckabee also told college journalists last week that gay-couple couples should not be permitted to adopt. “Children are not puppies,” he said.

Huckabee visited The College of New Jersey in Ewing, N.J., last Wednesday to speak to the Student Government Association. He also was interviewed by a campus news magazine. The Perspective, which published an article on Friday.

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NEW YORK — Worried over a threatened freeze of adoption from Russia, thousands of American adoption advocates are petitioning leaders of both political parties to keep the side of protecting children.

For years, some U.S. church officials keep about abuse allegations and shuffled problem priests from parish to parish in the early 1990s. “The church at this point is simply recognizing that children are more vulnera- ble than adults,” said Diane Knight, the retired head of Catholic Charities in Milwaukee and chairwoman of the National Review Board, an advisory panel created by U.S. bishops in 2002. “If we’re going to err, we’re going to err more on the side of protecting chil- dren.”

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The episode highlights the challenges American Catholic Church leaders face as they follow through on a promise to be more transparent in dealing with priests accused of abuse, while respecting the rights of both victims and the accused.

The case comes amid a worsening global clergy abuse scandal focused on how Pope Benedict XVI has dealt with problem priests in his past church roles.

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Policies approved by the Vatican as church law in the U.S. bar credibly accused priests from public ministry — including saying Mass and working as a parish priest — while allegations are investigated. Diocesan review boards, comprised mostly of lay people, help bishops oversee cases.

Initial inquiries to deter- mine whether a claim is credible tend to focus on making sure dates and places named in allegations stand up. A more in-depth investigation, also involving lay diocesan review boards, is then carried out. Clergy found guilty are permanent- ly barred from public min- istry and, in some cases, ousted from the priesthood.

Under the 2002 reforms, U.S. bishops are to comply with state laws for reporting abuse, and to cooperate with authorities.

All U.S. dioceses were also instructed to advise victims of their right to contact authorities themselves. Most cases are old and fall out- side statutes of limitations, making criminal prosecu- tion impossible.

The Denver archdiocese, Knight said, acted more quickly than most but essentially followed proto- col.

On April 7, the archdi- ocese said it received a com- plaint from a man who alleged he was sexually abused by Thompson in the early 1970s. That same day Chaput said he removed the popular Thompson from his position as assistant pastor at St. Thomas More Parish in suburban Centennial and suspended his ability to function publicly as a priest.
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“Notre Dame’s failure to not include the nondiscrimination clause is in itself discrimination,” he said. “Notre Dame’s act of discrimination allows others to feel it acceptable to treat the LGBTQ community as less than equal.”

One discrimination begets another,” he added.

Rick Duffer Landavazo, a 1981 graduate who majored in American Studies spoke next about his experience as a gay student at Notre Dame nearly 30 years ago, recounting several instances of overt acts of aggression and hate from his fellow students. If gay and lesbian students today are like those in the 1970s, you are in a community that preaches love and practice hate,” he said.

Landavazo said dialogue is a critical part of inclusion for the LGBTQ community.

“I urge the University to bring gay and lesbian students to bring their concerns into the open,” he said. “Homosexuals are probably the most discriminated minority group. Dialogue, he said, could also have prevented many of today’s problems among the gay and lesbian community.

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The solution to this over-aggression, he said, ought to come from both societal and individual levels. “Any change in societal level must be supported by education, legislation, social policies and social and cultural messages,” he said. “If an individual level, intergroup contact will reduce sexual prejudice if there is equal status between groups and a norm exists that supports positive relations and cooperative interaction.”

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WASHINGTON Mutual officials testify at Senate hearing regarding alleged fraud

WASHINGTON — A trio of former Washington Mutual officials are due to testify Tuesday on Capitol Hill as part of a Senate hearing into the financial collapse of the nation’s largest thrift.

Former CEO Kerry Killinger defended WaMu’s actions at a Senate hearing and insisted the government should not have seized it at the height of the financial crisis in September 2008.

Killinger said that WaMu had adequate capital and shouldn’t have been shut down and sold for a “bargain” price of $1.9 billion. The bank “should have been given a chance to work out its way through the crisis,” he testified in front of a Senate panel.

The 18-month investigation by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs subcommittee found that WaMu’s lending operations were rife with fraud, including fabricated loan documents. It concluded that management failed to stem the deception despite internal probes.

The bank’s pay system of rewarding loan officers and sales executives for their volume of loans closed ratcheted up the pressure, the investigators found.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., said he will decide after its hearings this week whether to make a formal referral to the Justice Department for possible criminal prosecution. Justice, the FBI and the Securities and Exchange Commission opened investigations into Washington Mutual soon after its collapse.

The Senate subcommittee is known for conducting hard-hitting investigations by bipartisan staff and has sometimes made such referrals to federal prosecutors. The former WaMu executives appeared before Congress for the first time since the bank’s collapse.

Killinger defended the criticism and laid blame on the government. He argued that even before the crisis struck with force, the government treated Seattle-based Washington Mutual unfairly. He noted it was excluded from a list of large financial firms whose stock couldn’t be sold short under a temporary government ban in July 2008. In short-selling, traders bet a stock price will drop and use borrowed shares to profit from any decline.

“The penalty was too costly and too clubby to fail,” the benefits were obvious,” Killinger said. “For those that were part of the inner circle and were too clubby to fail, the benefits were obvious.”

Killinger said. “For those outside of the club, the penalty was severe.”

Levin came armed with email correspondence among senior executives at the bank showing anxiety over elevated rates of delinquency and default in the high-risk mortgage loans WaMu had made. The exchanges show the executives wanted to urgently sell the loans packaged as securities to Wall Street, Levin said.

Two former WaMu chief risk officers said they tried to curb risky lending practices at the bank. But they said they met resistance from top management when they brought their concerns to them.

As the housing bust deepened in late 2007 and early 2008, “I was increasingly cut out from executive meetings and meetings with financial advisers when the bank’s response to the growing crisis was being dismissed,” Ronald Calhcat, who helped oversee risk until April 2008, testified at the hearing. By January 2008 he was “fully isolated” and was fired by Killinger a few months later, Calhcat said.

The other risk officer, James Vanaek, testified that he tried to limit loans to those who were unlikely to be able to repay and the number of loans made without verifying borrower’s income. But his efforts fell flat “without solid executive management support,” Vanaek said.

Trump rebounds from third bankruptcy

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — About to leave its third bankruptcy behind, Trump Entertainment Resorts Inc. has a simple formula for the future in the cutthroat Atlantic City market: less debt, more cash and more Ivanka.

It also plans to expand beyond New Jersey.

A federal bankruptcy judge on Monday chose bondholders led by New York-based Avenue Capital Group, rated B currency, and his daughter Ivanka to buy the company out of bankruptcy for $225 million. Their bid topped a rival one from billionaire Carl Icahn, who wanted to swap the $486 million mortgage he holds on Trump Entertainment for owner- ship of the company.

When Trump Entertainment emerges from bankruptcy court later this year, its debt will be cut to $334 million, from nearly $1.8 billion. And that, Donald Trump says, is why the company will succeed where it failed three times before.

“This is the moment after the worst, the moment of hope,” said the Associated Press on Tuesday. “It was nothing like the last time. This time, people were ready and willing to lend money to the company.”

Icahn’s plan would have eliminated the company’s debt, but it also would have wiped out bondholders’ investments — a key factor that led Judge Judith Wizmur to side with the proposal from the Trumps and the bondholders’ committee.

Mark Juliano, Trump Entertainment’s CEO, said the company’s first priority is revitalizing the three Atlantic City casinos it owns: the Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort, Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino and Trump Marina Hotel and Casino, which is being put on the selling block this week.

But Juliano said the company will seek opportunities in other states to lessen its dependence on a single, struggling market, particularly if it can sell Trump Marina.
Sprung in the Midwest is exciting. The snow has finally melted (we think), the temperature has warmed up to bearable temperatures and the sun shines for more than 10 minutes per month. To me, though, the coming of spring has meant only one thing for as long as I can remember: the arrival of baseball season.

Now, some don’t share my enthusiasm. I have heard a lot of negative things said about the game of baseball, just within the past few weeks. Some of my favorites include calling it “the most boring game on the planet,” “painful to watch” and “that you need to be drunk to enjoy it.” The best, though, was the person that I overheard say that baseball is “three minutes of action packed into three hours.” It was kind of funny. It is also completely and totally wrong. Somewhere along the line, baseball developed a reputation for being an unexciting game. Quite the contrary, I would even make the claim that baseball is maybe the most interesting and exciting sport played. I’ll wait for you to stop laughing before I explain.

What makes baseball so entertaining isn’t necessarily the physical aspect, though it certainly is important. The mental aspect and the strategy involved in good baseball is what sets it apart and he couldn’t be more right. The game can change on literally every single pitch. For example, if a pitcher throws a fastball on a 1-1 count, he has just dug himself into a hole and likely has to change his pitch. If he leaves it hanging over the middle of the plate, and the batter likes to hit that pitch, the pitcher could be in trouble.

Each pitch in baseball creates a new scenario for the manager look to the bench to try and create a more favorable matchup? What strategies if a player isn’t careful. A pitcher can have the perfect pitch (called a good pitch), and he couldn’t be more right. The game changes on literally every single pitch. For example, if a pitcher throws a fastball on a 1-1 count, he has just dug himself into a hole and likely has to come with a fastball that he knows he can throw for a strike on the next pitch.

The hitter knows this too, though, and can be ready for it. However, if the same pitch is moved just a few inches and crosses the plate in the strike zone, now the pitcher has two strikes on the batter and can afford to throw just about any pitch in his repertoire to try to fool him. The pitcher and hitter both must take into account what type of pitches the pitcher can throw, what pitch he tends to throw in certain situations, what locations and types of pitches the batter likes to hit, what pitch the pitcher threw in a similar situation in the past (and if the batter will be expecting the same thing), among other concerns. So does the pitcher go with the fastball knowing that the hitter is expecting it, or does he try and fool him with the curveball, which is harder to control? Where do the fielders position themselves and where are they going to be? Does the pitcher look to the bench to try and create a more favorable matchup? Each pitch in baseball creates a new dilemma. No two situations are ever the same.

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Stop the soccer boom articles

First, there is no way USA will win the cup. Even a diehard would be willing to admit it. We are not there yet. It is the former point that I wish to address. As reliable as the World Cup comes every four years, as does the articles regarding soccer and America. It’s a socially intriguing and conflict-creating topic. Soccer has long been here, starting with the first organized match. Rutgers-Princeton on Nov. 6, 1869. It grew to be the winter pastime of the mainstream sport being played in the states. A combination of the Great Depression and petty politics killed it until the births of soccer in England and America in the late 60s. This is where we see the articles regarding the return of soccer to America and how it will boom. Rather than embrace soccer they expected soccer to suddenly and magically transform them into fans and that they comprehend every little thing done on the pitch. This never happened and thus people never gave soccer a fighting chance. So every time someone would write: Here Comes Soccer, this group would laugh and say: “I’ve been hearing that for 30 years.” What they fail to take into account is that soccer has never been in leaps and bounds since the writers started saying soccer is going to be big.

Twenty years ago you would be lucky to get an English match on TV, now there are four to five live matches every weekend and some even during the World Cup. (North London Derby 3 p.m. Wednesday on ESPN2). So soccer is in the US and the truth avoids the point. These articles about how soccer is about to catch on do nothing but avoid history and the truth that soccer was here and is here. It doesn’t need a magical boom to make it popular when it already is. But I will be ready, with 59 days until the World Cup, I’ll take the crazy articles with little research, just in order to get to the Cup.

Tim Staub
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It's time for the world's greatest sporting event: the FIFA World Cup. This quadrennial 32-team tournament pits some of the best footballing countries against one another to determine which country gets the most prestigious trophy in sports. I remember waking up in the early hours in 2002 to watch the USA take on Mexico and feeling elated when the stars and stripes came through. I remember watching America be one of two teams to score against the eventual world champions Italy in 2006. Now we reach 2010 and I am ready for another thrilling international soccer event. But what has I, an American, discovered? The mainstream newspapers, television networks and magazines covering soccer like it’s the death of all football proclivities of soccers is about to take off in the USA! Or can we win the cup?

Jessica D. Payne, Ph.D.
Guest Columnist

What can body odor tell us about sexual attraction and sexual orientation?

Can "BO" (body odor) actually be a good thing? Sexual attraction is complicated. While we may swoon over self-proclaimed "types" (blue eyes, brown hair, great smile), mate selection relies heavily on a series of conscious and unconscious calculations made deep within our brains.

Take body odor, for instance. Most of us try to cover it up with deodorants and perfumes, but BO might actually help us find our best-fit romantic partners. Considerable evidence suggests that humans produce individually unique body odors, and that we easily discriminate between the body odors of different people. Even newborns can tell the difference between the odor of their own mothers and those of mothers of other infants. Thus, BO can be crucial for forming social relationships, even early in life.

Body odor is largely influenced by Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) molecules, which are genetically determined and linked to the immune system. Experiments on nonhuman animals and human participants have shown that we tend to judge potential sexual partners as more attractive if their MHC composition is substantially different from our own. In other words, opposites really might attract, perhaps because such variation in our immune makes the population more resistant to disease. Interestingly, MHC has also been linked directly to sexual orientation, suggesting that the differences in MHC that influence sexual orientation may be related to the differences in MHC that regulate odor production.

In the last article of this series, Professor Wirth, also in the Psychology Department, talked about hormones, or the chemical signals that act on cells within an individual. Pheromones, on the other hand, are chemical signals that influence the behavior and physiology of other individuals. Scientists think that pheromones are detected by the olfactory system or by the vomeronasal organ (VNO), which is located in the nasal cavity. Perhaps because the VNO region is vestigial in humans, pheromones may or may not be active in human mating behavior. In lab animals, however, pheromones have profound effects on other animals. For example, when adult male rodents are aroused, females will reach puberty faster, and in some cases their estrous cycles will synchronize.

Our vestigial VNOs aside, odor may play a large role in human sexual attraction. For example, the chemical 4- androstadien-3-one, or "and" for short, is an androgen-like chemical found in the underarm sweat of males and females. This compound is highly sensitive to it. Brain imaging studies show that and exposure activates brain regions that are critical for sexual behavior, such as olfactory areas and regions of the hypothalamus. A recent study showed that lesbian women process 'and' with their olfactory systems rather than the hypothalamus, which is the opposite of heterosexual women.

Just like heterosexuals then, people who are attracted to the same sex may follow their noses. Consider, for example, a 2005 study published in the prestigious journal Psychological Science, which showed that gay men and lesbian women had different body odor preferences than straight men and women.

Now, this is a study that would be interesting to participate in! For nine days volunteers used only odorless soaps and shampoo, not shaving their armpits, and abstaining from garlic, curry, and cumin. They then wore cotton pads wedged into their armpits for several days while going about their typical activities. The pads were cut up and randomly placed in plastic squeeze bottles with flip-top lids for easy access smelling. Shortly thereafter, another set of volunteers, of both sexes and sexual orientations, smelled and rated the odors on intensity and pleasantness on scales of 1 to 10.

Interestingly, homosexual men had different preferences than straight men, straight women and lesbian women. Not only were their body odor preferences different than these other groups, but their own body odor was regarded differently than these other groups as well. Homosexual men were drawn to the odors of other gay men and heterosexual women, while odors from gay men were the least preferred by heterosexual men and women and by lesbian women.

Many scientists, myself included, believe that these findings suggest that neurobiological processes are at work in determining our sexual orientation, just as they are in determining our sexual assignment, although we could certainly interact with environmental influences as well.

In his related article, Professor Fuentes pointed out that homosexual activities can exist across a wide array of species. His observations were echoed in the cover article in last Sunday’s New York Times Magazine, “The Love that Dares Not Squawk its Name: Inside the Science of Same-Sex Animal Pairings” by Jon Mooallem. Given the ubiquity of homosexual behavior, across time and across species, and that research has not found any effect of parenting style or childhood experiences on sexual orientation, what, then, causes people to be gay, straight or bisexual? The answer to that question will surely be complex, but an ever-growing biological database strongly suggests that nature plays a fundamental role in why we are attracted to the people we are and fall in love with the people we do.

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Some Staff Report

The St. Edward's Hall Players bring the subver-
sive Broadway hit "Urinetown" to Washington Hall
today and Thursday. Tickets for the 7 p.m. shows
are $5 for students, $7 for the general public and
are available at the LaFortune box office or at the
doors.
A few members of the cast and crew talked to
The Observer about the searing, satirical show
and the work that went into putting it together.

From the cast:

Tricia Coburn, freshman

"Hope Cladwell," the daughter of the evil, miser-
ly CEO of Urine Good Company. She falls in love
with Bobby against her father's wishes.

Will Docimo, sophomore

"Officer Lockstock," the corrupt cop who is the other half of
the narrating team, along with Officer Lockstock.

Brian Rodgers, freshman

"Officer Lockstock," the corrupt cop who is the other half of the
narrating team.

From the crew:

John Kemnetz, freshman

Musical director

Claire Conley, sophomore

Stage manager

So, what exactly is "Urinetown"?

Docimo: The name is
pretty self-explanatory.
It takes place in the
not-too-distant future,
in which people's nat-
ural need to urinate is
exploited for profit. It's
really quite a solid business model.

Kemnetz: "Urinetown" takes the audience into a
dystopian world where a 20-year drought has
cast all bathrooms to become privatized, and
everyone must pay to pee.

While most of the poor manage to scrounge
together the pennies they need for their daily
drip to the toilet, there is the occasional unfortu-
nate soul who ends up having to relieve him or
herself elsewhere — a serious crime resulting in
the convicted being sent to a mysterious place
called Urinetown from whence they never
return.

The show begins with [Bobby Strong's] father
being carted off to Urinetown for peeing outside
the bathroom ... [Bobby responds] by taking over
the amenity and giving free access to all the
poor. With his revolution in motion, Bobby cap-
tures the daughter of the CEO of Urine Good
Company, the evil, money-hungry corporation
that has control over all the bathrooms, and an
all out battle between the poor and the UGC
erupts.

Conley: "Urinetown" is a dark comedy that is a
combination of musical theater, parody and
political satire. These people live in a world of
regulations that they see as unjust, and so they
eliminate them, not realizing that the regulations
are what holds their precariously balanced
world together. There are many themes that can
be pulled from it, based on what you personally
see in the show: political, environmental and
social issues are all present.

Kemnetz: It was first shown at the New York
International Fringe Festival and was soon pro-
duced as an off-Broadway show before taking
the Broadway stage in September of 2001. The
show ran for just over three years and toured
briefly.
It's been met by audiences with mixed reviews.
In particular, grandparents and businessmen
have found the show particularly offen-
vative or vulgar, while teenagers/college
kids tend to find the pee jokes and
awful humor funny. I know, right? College kids and grandmas not having
the same sense of humor? Must be a
weird show.

What has been the most challenging or
rewarding aspect of your role or job?

Coburn: The most rewarding yet diffi-
cult aspect of the production
process

Kemnetz: The most frustrating aspect of this
show was the fact that everyone involved is a
Notre Dame student. That means they're not
just actors, instrumentalists or crew members
— they're athletes and singers and so many
other things. And, being good at all of these
things, they're pulled in many directions,
which can make scheduling and working with
the full cast a big struggle.

This show is known for its ridiculous premise, the
satirical commentary and its parody of the stereo-
typical Broadway musical. How did you approach
these aspects while still trying to put together
the musical and technical aspects?

Docimo: I was unaware that
"Urinetown" was satire. I just
assumed it was a realistic forecast
for the future of Nevada. This
changes everything.

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In portraying the role
of Hope has been finding
the right balance for the
character. Hope is a very
naive, optimistic and
straightforward character
and it is sometimes hard to
find the right balance as
she develops throughout
the show.

Rodgers: I feel the most
frustrating aspect in the
portrayal of Lockstock is
that he is radically differ-
ent in his interactions with
each ... After working with
the directors as well as
reading the script over and
over again, I felt I finally
get a good handle on who
Lockstock is and what he
wants, which is the most
rewarding aspect to me.

Michalak: The most diffi-
cult aspect about playing

The Scene section is written by volunteers. It may be hard to believe, but we’re not paid for our efforts; we write because we like writing, culture and deep down, we believe we have good taste. The articles reflect this: They are usually about subjects we love or hate. To combat this, I’m writing about a show I’ve never seen but is hugely popular, “Glee” on Fox. On Tuesday night, it returned for the second half of its first season. I wrote in real time as I watched in an effort to make the most honest record possible of my reactions.

9:27 Ryan Seacrest ended American Idol with “Glee out!” I can’t say it excites me.

9:28 The show gives a recap of the season so far. They talk fast and making things appear more dramatic than they actually are.

9:30 Sue, the resident wicked witch, makes an appearance. She’s well-written and performed. I’m going to miss her when she’s not on screen. The editing reminds me of a Dan Brown novel. There’s a lot happening and it’s presented in the choppiest and most confusing way possible.

9:35 The first romantic sub-plot (other than pregnancy) comes in for Will. I can’t honestly tell if the characters are charming or creepy.

9:37 Reflecting on it, I don’t think I’ve ever watched a show about high school other than “Freaks and Geeks.” There’s been more drama in 10 minutes of “Glee” than my entire high school career.

9:38 First song: The Doors, “Hello, I Love You.” I’m hugely unimpressed. It fits into the story with only a bit of stretching. Finn, wandering the halls singing like he has a message to convey, reminds me of an 80s music video. As much as the decline of MTV is maligned, it may be for the best if these are the videos we’d be left with.

9:43 A break-up comes from Finn while referencing his “inner-rock star.” This scene produces tears. It’s only been 16 minutes. I do not miss high school at all.

9:45 Rachel sings All-American “Vogue.” I’ll probably give the show another chance when Neil Patrick Harris guest stars.

9:49 A rival singer appears, singing Lionel Richie and wearing all black. I’ve fully accepted the campiness of this show. It’s slowly becoming more vaudeville and entertaining.

9:52 At the second commercial break, I realized why this show is so enchanting to our generation. Disney movies defined our childhood. Why can’t we keep watching them, but with more sex appeal?

9:58 “Hello Again” by Neil Diamond is playing in the background. Will takes time out of acting to explain why this is an appropriate song choice. The writers don’t seem to think much of their audience’s intelligence.

10:06 This is, depending on how you count, the second instance of cheating on the show. This whole show has a strange mixture of evil, wisdom, honesty and high school clichés. If nothing else, it’s unique.

9:49 Admittedly, I’ve only seen 3 minutes of the series but many of the characters play straight into stereotypes.

10:13 The “Old Maids’ Club.” This may be the best-written scene on the episode. It’s pure absurdity with just a small bit of malevolence added in. It’s close to how high school boys imagine how high school girls work.

10:17 I think these people go to high school inside a Taylor Swift song.

10:23 The Beatles “Hello Goodbye” makes a predictable appearance. It’s much more than the original, but then again, every Beatles’ cover is.

10:25 Sue performs Madonna’s “Vogue” as a commercial for next week’s episode, complete with cone bra. I’d call it gimmicky, but that’s what I’d expect.

Final thoughts: It’s a strange time for Glee to be on the air. Television is currently in a golden age of drama but this show buck the trend. It’s fun, but there’s little substance and is clearly not worth spending $215 to get psyched.

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Yankees welcome Matsui back in home opener

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Andy Pettitte hit the corners. Derek Jeter homered into the right-center field stands, Jorge Posada rumbled into second base for a double. And for a great measure, Mariano Rivera closed it out with a cutter.

Don’t tell the Yankees’ core it’s 2010. The long-time All-Stars each picked up World Series ring No. 5, then led New York to a victory in its home opener Tuesday, 7-5 over the Los Angeles Angels in front of a record crowd that included owner George Steinbrenner.

“Everyone talks about how long we’ve been here but in our minds it seems like we are just still little kids,” said Jeter, the AL Rookie of the Year in 1996. “We want to come out here and contribute and try and he consistent. That’s what we tried to do throughout the years and that’ll never change.”

The Angels’ Hideki Matsui might have gotten the lowest ouvation of the stirring ceremony that cele- brated the Yankees’ 27th title, with fans welcoming back the World Series MVP. But the four stars who last won a title in 2000 wound up winners in the end.

They all played big roles last year, as well, Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. “Andy won the last game at the Stadium last year and won the first one this year — pretty fitting. Derek had some big hits. Jorge. Mo closed it out. It is appropriate.”

With the 2009 World Series ban- ner whipping in a chilly breeze, Pettitte (1-0) returned to the Yankee Stadium mound for the first time since he won the clinch- ing Game 6 against Philadelphia last November. He threw 100 pitches in six crisp innings as the Yankees dropped the Angels to 2- 6, their worst start since 1972.

The 40-year-old Rivera was needed to earn his third save after another ex-Yankee, Bobo Abreu, hit a grand slam in the ninth off Dave Robertson to make it 7-5. “Obviously we did two things poorly early in the game and had to crawl our way back and it was too little too late,” Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. “There’s definitely some things we need to clean up in the way we’re playing ball this week.”

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Matsui also homered after getting his ring in the program festivities. He was regaled with a prolonged standing ovation when he stepped into the batter’s box in the first inning. “I was very deeply moved by that moment. It’s something that I did not anticipate at all,” he said through a translator. “It’s something that I will remember forever, that moment. I’m just very happy and very thankful, the way that the fans welcomed me back.”

The Angels’ designated hitter stepped out of his helmet before striking out — another cheer — to end the inning and get his ring in the presence of Posada, who playfully tagged him a couple of times. Matsui went 0 for 5 in front of a record crowd of 49,293 at the ballpark, now in its second year.

“The fans wanted him to tip his hat. I just felt he deserved that so I stepped off the mound,” Pettitte said. “As soon as he steps in the box, it just put your head down. There’s a lot of ways you can look at it.”

Jeter, who led off the Yankees’ last regular-season home game with a home run, hit his first home run of the year Tuesday and hit a sharp grounder off Ervin Santana’s thigh for another RBI in the fifth.

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**NCAA Men’s Basketball**

Michigan State head coach Tom Izzo leads his team during their Final Four appearance in Indianapolis earlier this month. On Tuesday the NCAA changed recruiting rules for summer camps and clinics on school’s campuses that will affect all coaches.

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**IN BRIEF**

**NFL invites 16 players to next week’s NFL Draft**

NEW YORK — Sam Bradford, Ndamukong Suh and Gerald McCoy are among 16 players who have accepted invitations to the NFL draft. The Oklahoma quarterback and the defensive tackles from Nebraska and Oklahoma are projected to be the top three picks on April 22.

With the draft extended to three days, the first two in prime time, the NFL has increased the number of player invitations. Also accepting are running back C.J. Spiller of Clemson and Jared Best of Cal, cornerbacks Joe Haden of Florida and Brandon Chou of Wake Forest, offensive tackles Russell Okung of Oklahoma State, Bryan Bulaga of Iowa and Trent Williams of Oklahoma, defensive tackles Lamarr Houston of Texas, Jared Odrick of Penn State and Dan Williams of Tennessee, defensive end Derrick Morgan of Georgia Tech, receiver Demaryius Thomas of Georgia Tech and safety Eric Berry of Tennessee.

QB Roethlisberger meets with commissioner Goodell

NEW YORK — Ben Roethlisberger has finished his meeting with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, and there’s no immediate word if the Steelers quarterback will be punished for his problems off the field.

Roethlisberger flew to New York from his Pittsburgh home one day after a Georgia district attorney announced the player would not be charged after a college student accused him of sexually assaulting her in a nightclub bathroom last month.

He tells ESPN that Tuesday’s meeting was "very productive."

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello says the league will review the facts — in accordance with its personal conduct code — and will follow up with Roethlisberger and the Steelers.

The Steelers, clearly angered with their star player’s conduct, can discipline Roethlisberger even if the league doesn’t.

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**Roy’s playoff status unknown after tearing meniscus in knee**

PORTLAND, Ore. — Portland Trail Blazers guard Brandon Roy has a torn meniscus in his right knee and his status for the playoffs is uncertain.

The three-time All-Star will miss Monday night’s game against the Oklahoma City Thunder and Wednesday’s regular season finale against Golden State on Wednesday night.

He will require surgery and will be out from four to six weeks. But he said he may try to play with the injury in the playoffs because doctors told him it cannot get worse.

“I want to play,” Roy said. “It’s the playoffs. You play 82 games and take a beating just to get to this point.”

Roy is the Blazers’ leading scorer with 21.5 points per game. He injured his knee on Sunday, 11 minutes into the Blazers 91-88 victory at the Los Angeles Lakers.

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**around the dial**

**MLB Baseball**

Astros at Cardinals
8 p.m., ESPN2

**NHL Hockey**

Red Wings at Coyotes
10 p.m., Versus
Associated Press

Penn State coach Joe Paterno, who wed the former Suzanne Pohland in 1962, knows a thing or two about what makes a successful marriage.

So he recognizes how important it is for the Big Ten to expand, to find the right partner or partners if it expands from its current 11 teams.

"The thing that you have to do is when you get married, you'd better marry somebody you love," the 83-year-old Paterno said Tuesday during spring drills for his 45th season as head coach. "That means somebody who appreciates what you want to do."

The Big Ten is exploring the possibility of expanding. Paterno said the conference cannot add schools just to get bigger but needs to invite like-minded institutions.

"They're not really mesh. That's going to be a happy marriage, and we're all on the same page and nobody dominates it," Paterno said on a Big Ten teleconference.

"It's not a question of just bringing somebody in who can handle the academics, the research, and true freshman Chandler Whitmer."

"They've all kind of had their positive things and they've all made some mistakes," said Zook, back for his sixth year. "To me, it's going to be the one guy who can come out of it who can learn from his mistakes and not make the same mistakes."

Northwestern is taking a hard look at junior Dan Persa, who saw action in 10 games a year ago.

Paterno said his squad, coming off an 11-2 season, hasn't been all that impressive midway through spring workouts.

"We're not a very good football team right now," he said. "The quarterbacks are very average, but they're very young. Hopefully over a period of time they get better. We're just not doing some things very well. The kicking game is terrible. We've got six more practices, and we're going to try to get prepared for a kickoff on Saturday. So it's pure teaching, pure evaluation and you get to see how guys learn, how they respond, and how they've progressed and grown, physically and mentally. I really enjoy this time of year."

NCAA FOOTBALL

Paterno discusses adding to Big Ten conference

By David M. Mark

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Associated Press

At Purdue, Elliott's successor likely will be junior Robert Marve or sophomore Caleb TerBush, the backup a year ago. Coach Danny Hope has had difficulty just getting enough guys together to practice.

As part of the Undergraduate Admissions staff, the Admissions Counselor is expected to make an important contribution to the recruitment and selection of the first-year class by managing relations with prospective applicants, their parents, high school personnel and alumni in an assigned geographic territory.

Responsibilities include extensive planning, travel and communication within the geographic territory, assessment and evaluation of applications and conducting group/individual information sessions. Additional responsibilities, including the possibilities of diversity and international recruitment, will be assigned by the Assistant Provost for Enrollment and the Director of Admissions Operations.

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**BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL**

**Linebacker Lounge beats Nothing But Air, 21-9**

**By MATTHEW ROBISON**
Washington, D.C. - With the arrival of spring and a newfound sense of ease, the Bookstore Basketball season came to a close. The last game of the season, Linebacker Lounge vs. Nothing But Air, was filled with excitement and a healthy dose of friendly competition.

The game was a testament to the talent and dedication of the players. Linebacker Lounge dominated the game, with their height advantage and quick defense overwhelming their opponents. In the end, they emerged victorious with a score of 21-9.

**NHL**

**Theodore given high honor**

**Associated Press**

Washington - Jose Theodore, for whom the game yesterday was both a milestone and a tragedy, was given the most enthusiastic applause of his life. When Theodore returned to the ice after a long layoff due to injury, the crowd roared with approval.

It was a momentous occasion, as Theodore was recognized for his contributions to the team and the city. His teammates and coaches were equally enthusiastic, praising his dedication and work ethic.

**Theodore has endured an emotional roller coaster.**

While the game was a triumph for Theodore, it was also bittersweet. He lost his son to a tragic accident just weeks before the game, which he played with a heavy heart.

Coach Bruce Boudreau praised Theodore for his performance, saying, "It's a really a different situation. He's a guy who's played in a lot of different situations over the years."

**But Theodore was not the only one who received high praise.**

Tomas Plekanec was quoted in multiple interviews, expressing his admiration for his teammate. "He's won us more games than I can count," Plekanec said. "He's a leader on and off the ice."

Theodore's performance was a testament to his resilience and determination, as he continued to play despite the loss of his son. He will be remembered as a hero on and off the ice, with his dedication and passion inspiring others to give their best in everything they do.
Watt, Moros lead Irish in regular season finale

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

The Irish are looking to rebound after last week’s two straight losses to No. 2 Michigan State and Louisville when they host Ball State this afternoon.

The Cardinals (14-7) come into South Bend to wrap up a portion of Notre Dame’s spring schedule. It’s the recent set-backs, the Irish (11-11) enter the contest confident having picked up some big wins from freshman Blas Moros and junior Sam Dame.

"Even though they lost, I thought Casey and David fought hard," Bayliss said. “Casey had some match points, but had trouble finishing at the net.”

In the loss to Louisville, Moros and sophomore Sam Dame were able to pull out two victories for the Irish.

“Blas Moros played more aggressively,” Bayliss said. “He stayed up tight on the baseline and played a very gritty match. He is growing before our eyes and it is reward- ing to see. He served well at key times and did not back down under pressure.”

The Irish are working on their doubles constantly to try and secure the doubles win more often to get the match rolling to a fast start.

After wrapping up the home schedule today, the Irish will then head to Bayliss’ former school, Navy, to take on the Midshipmen Saturday.

The Irish play Ball State Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

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Belles look to rebound against conference foe

By MATTHEW ROBISON
Sports Writer

Coming off a shutout loss to number nine Saint Mary’s Monday, the Belles will look to take their exposed weaknesses and turn them into strengths today against Albion.

Saint Mary’s (8-5, 2-2 MIAA) has had trouble with Albion (9-6, 3-1) in the past, so today’s matchup will allow the Belles to average last year’s sweep and return to the form they exhibited early on in conference play.

"Last year [Albion was] fourth in the conference and they can beat us twice," Belles coach Dave Campbell said. "But we had a close match with them the second time.

"We can’t cut this it year.

“They are a very good team, but we can beat them,” Campbell said. “We have been going through a losing streak but Hopefully can get back into form.”

The loss to Chicago showed the Belles how they measure up against the stiffest competition in the MIAA and what they must do in order to beat the best.

“We’ve raised our level a bit,” Campbell said. “We’re more aggressive in doubles and smarter in singles.”

Belles seek automatic bid

By LUKE MANSAUR
Sports Writer

No. 5 Belles quest to repeat as conference champions will start anew Wednesday when they play the first of three MIAA qualifiers in Marshall, Mich.

The Belles come in confident following two victories over conference rival Trine University over the past weekend, one at home and another in Angola, Ind.

Junior Rosie O’Connor said she was satisfied with her team’s performance during the two dual meets and hopes the team’s success can continue into the first qualifier.

“We are confident going into the MIAA qualifier,” O’Connor said. “We had two great rounds this weekend at South Bend Country Club and Zollner Golf Club, and everything we have been practicing is starting to come together on the course.”

The Belles will again need to minimize mistakes if they hope to win an automatic berth for the NCAA Division III Tournament.

Inconsistency has prevented the Belles from higher finishes in a few tournaments this year, including the Southwestern Invitational. To eliminate those mistakes, O’Connor said the team needs to stay “confident and focused on the course.”

“We must go out and play our game one hole at a time,” she said.

Saint Mary’s hopes once again to be one of the 11 team given an automatic bid to the Tournament, which occurs by virtue of winning the MIAA qualifying tournament.

Because the Belles won the MIAA conference title during the fall season, they have the privilege of hosting the second and third qualifier rounds to be held on April 23 and 24 at the Medalist Golf Course.

The Medalist Golf Course is a challenging course, but one that we are confident on and have played on many times,” O’Connor said. “It’s nice to know we have the next two rounds of qualifying at home. We know our home courses the best.

Although the Belles expect to win their qualifying tourna- ment, if they falter they can still qualify if they win pool B, which conference opponent Olivet University did to qualify after the Belles won the automatic berth last year.

There are 10 additional individual qualifiers for the NCAA tourna- ment.

The Belles enter the first qualifier with a target on their backs, having won the confer- ence title in the fall and being ranked as high as No. 2 at that time.

O’Connor, along with stand- outs sophomore Natalie Matuszak and junior Mary Kate Royce, must put up a big performance in order for the Belles to get off to a good start.

Belles coach Mark Hamilton stressed the performance of the back end of the lineup as well.

“I look for whoever plays in those spots to come in with a good number,” Hamilton said.

The Belles begin their jour- ney for automatic qualification to the NCAA Tournament Wednesday at noon at the Medalist Golf Course in Marshall, Mich.

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year at Notre Dame, there’s not even a question,” he said. All three of the fifth-years will vie for playing time this spring and throughout sum-mer and fall camp. Stewart seems to have a comfortable level-left guard spot, and Wengser’s previous starting experience at both center and guard should give him the chance to work his way into the rota-tion, starting or otherwise. And while most of Gallup’s past playing time has come on special teams, the fact that Kelly’s spread offense employs several multi-wide receiver sets should give him a shot to find a niche in the passing game. “They use a lot of wide receivers and [the offense] can use a lot of my strengths,” Gallup said. “We’ve got a lot of guys that can bring something to the table, and everyone’s different and has his strengths. Practice is really competitive, and we’re going to find out who thrives in those situations.” The competitive, fast-paced practices present a challenge for the Irish, but Wenger said it is one that will prepare them for Saturdays in the fall. “These practices are tough. Everyone’s moving around fast with very little break. The legs are hurting, you’re breathing heavy,” he said. “You pay the sacrifice in practice, games are going to be a lot easier. That’s the way I’m looking at it.” Contact Matt Gamber at mgamber@nd.edu

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the course inside and out. The golfers will have one last chance to polish their play before competing in the Big East Championships in Florida. This could pay dividends for the Irish in the playoffs, as there are still minor problems that need to be addressed at the tourna-ment. Kubinski said the talent is there, but it needs some prodding. “When we allow our natural ability (and) talent to come through, we’re a very good team,” Kubinski said. Once the golfers get the kinks out of their game, they should be more at ease on the golf course. “We need to be more relaxed and just play,” Kubinski said. “We need to be focused.” The final event of the regu-lar season begins Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at Warren Golf Course. Contact Tim Singler at tsingler@nd.edu

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I think the challenge is time management, not necessarily the game, but I think our team does a good job of focusing on the task at hand,” Ganeff said. “So for those six to eight hours when they are at the field, they are focused 100 percent of the time on dominating the opponent. In practice this week, the Irish are focusing on how to prepare for the different types of offensive strategies the Hoyas could use by seeing their strategies demonstrated in game situations. “When we work on specific things, we try to focus on the type of line up we will be facing,” Ganeff said. “We try to incorporate a lot of short game situations if we know the opponent has a lot of left-handed slappers. We will work on outfield situations if we know they have a team that can let the ball fly. Both the Hoyas and the Irish are coming off of Big East wins. The Irish just finished a three-game sweep over South Florida at home, and the Hoyas recently defeated Pittsburgh. The games will take place at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday at Notre Dame’s Melissa Cook Stadium. Contact Molly Sammon at msammon@nd.edu

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FOOTBALL

Three fifth-years make the most of last spring

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

Chris Stewart is in the midst of his fifth spring with the Irish, and he’s the oldest guy on the team. But with a new coaching staff, a new scheme and a new practice attitude, there’s a learning curve for everyone — even the offensive guard who enrolled at Notre Dame in January 2006.

Still, his perspective as someone who has been there before should be valuable to the Irish, whose spring roster includes five early enrollees and several young players battling for playing time under the new regime.

“The biggest perspective [I can bring] is that it’s spring ball, a time to get better and a time to clean up some things,” Stewart said. “You’re always going to have pressure from the coaches … but you have to keep in your mind that the season’s a little bit away. There’s time to get comfortable, learn new things and adjust to what’s best for you so when the season does come, you can play your best.”

Stewart and the other two fifth-year seniors — offensive lineman Dan Wenger and wide receiver Barry Gallup — will all serve as mentors of sorts this spring, despite going through adjustment periods of their own, Wenger said.

“It’s my fourth spring, and it’s my last spring,” he said. “I’m embracing it no matter what. It’s my last time as a college player and I’m trying to make the best of it. Fourth football, fifth-year guy — you try to help the younger guys out, help them through this transition process as much as possible.”

Gallup said he knew immediately that he’d want to take advantage of his fifth-year option and talked to Irish coach Brian Kelly.

“I feel like if you have the opportunity to play another year, you take it and you go out with a bang,” he said. “I’m embracing it no matter what. It’s my last time as a college player and I’m trying to make the best of it. Fourth spring, fifth-year guy — you try to help the younger guys out, help them through this transition process as much as possible.”

Senior infielder Heather Johnson takes a cut during Notre Dame’s 2-0 victory over South Florida Sunday.

BASEBALL

Clutch hitting, strong pitching lead squad

By JARED JEDICK
Senior Sports Writer

Notre Dame edged out a close 6-4 win against struggling Chicago State by riding quality pitching from freshman right-hander Adam Norton, sophomore right-hander Will Hudgins and senior left-hander David Mills on a night when the bats seemed to be a bit quiet.

“I want to tip my cap to Norton, Hudgins and Mills, because they pitched really well for us today because our hitters were not very focused against their pitchers,” Irish coach Dave Schrager said. “We hit too many fly balls and we got away with this win. We need to be more focused at the plate.

Chicago State (1-23, 0-3 Great West) has only one win this season, and Schrager said the Irish (12-19, 2-7 Big East) have the advantage of a pitching lead squad.

“At this point I don’t know what to expect. I mean, it’s a win,” Schrager said. “Not sure if the start somehow was unexpected as junior right-hander Cole Johnson was expected to return to the mound after suffering a shoulder injury three weeks ago. However, after feeling