More than 20 off-campus break-ins reported during winter break; complexes step up security

By JOSEPH McMATHON
News Writer

For Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students in 10 residences at Clover Ridge Apartments and 11 at Stadium Club Condos, the fear of burglary became reality when thieves broke into their residences during winter break and stole several items, ranging from television sets to jars of change to pots and pans, managers at the housing complexes said.

Police investigated the rash of break-ins on Dec. 27. Kristie Nozykowski, the property manager for Clover Ridge Apartments, said "there was no rhyme or reason" to what thieves stole.

"They didn't take a lot of stuff. In some of the apartments it looked like [the burglars] weren't even there. They actually spent more time breaking in than they did stealing stuff," Nozykowski said.

But she was still shocked by the break-ins, prompting Clover Ridge to hire additional security.

"We've never had any break-ins, but we have always had a police officer that lived on site," Nozykowski said. "This is our first incident where we've had break-ins at Clover Ridge Apartments. Because our main goal is that they are happy and safe where they live, when they return to campus break-ins and a possible partnership between the University and iTunes at their meeting Wednesday.

Residential Life Committee chair Mariana Montes said Notre Dame might be considering a partnership with Apple's iTunes U, which would allow audio and visual material for classroom use distributed through iTunes. She said prospective students could also view public University information on iTunes U and that other universities, such as Duke and Stanford, have used this technology to attract outstanding applicants for the position of Assistant Director of ACE Consulting.

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ACE Consulting moves forward

Under new director, program offers under-resourced schools free services

By EMMA DRISCOLL
News Writer

The Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) Consulting Initiative — a program that aims to provide under-resourced elementary and secondary Catholic schools with free consulting services — is underway with recent hires and plans.

ACE Consulting appointed Stephen Perla, superintendent of schools for the Catholic Diocese of Worcester, Mass., as director, according to John Staud, ACE director.

ACE Consulting is a response to the 2006 final report of the Notre Dame Task Force on Catholic Education, which was com-

missioned by University President Father John Jenkins, who chaired the Father Timothy Scully, director of the Institute for Educational Initiatives at Notre Dame and ACE founder.

The report, entitled "Making God Known, Loved, and Served," proposed the development of the ACE Consulting Initiative, "which will work to provide expertise to elementary and secondary Catholic schools in a variety of areas, including marketing, governance, board training, management, strategic planning, and investing."

Under-resourced or struggling schools are often unable to afford key consulting services of this nature, Staud said.

"A lot of Catholic schools do not have the resources to pay for consulting," he said. "We would hope that if a diocese is contemplating closing a school or parish, they would contact us first."

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Professor reflects on student voters

By DAVIS RHORER JR.
News Writer

Sean Savage, a political science professor at Saint Mary's, commented Wednesday on the role of college-aged voters in the recent Iowa, New Hampshire and Michigan presidential caucuses.

A highly-regarded authority on the American political system, Savage has given his insights on the recent primaries to a number of media outlets.

"The youngest voters are more likely to believe voting is not the only way to be a good citizen," Savage said, contrasting the current generation of college students to older Americans.

Older voters, he said, are more likely to look at voting as an obligation similar to that of paying taxes or the military draft. Savage cited young Americans' frequent service in their local communities and the Peace Corps as two examples of how they are diversifying the idea of responsible citizenship.

Savage identified a process he called "socializa-

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**INSIDE COLUMN**

**New Year’s resolutions**

It is the time of year where inevitably the gyms seem to be more crowded. People are reenergized after a holiday break and, of course, it is the month of New Year’s resolutions. Madeline Buckley, Wire Editor, talks about getting more exercise, eating more vegetables and less carbs and finally attaining that perfect 4.0 GPA for the spring semester.

Every year, it always seems like the resolution fever lasts a few weeks at most and then dies down. Well, let me tell you, I hate New Year’s resolutions. I hate them mostly because I have never once kept a New Year’s resolution and I believe that this is the sad fate of resolutions for most people. Honestly, what is the point of waiting until January to make an improvement?

I recently read an article listing the top 10 New Year’s resolutions of the average American compiled from surveys. Here is the list of lofty aspirations:

1. Spend more time with family and friends
2. Get more exercise
3. Lose weight
4. Quit Smoking
5. Quit Drinking
6. Reduce stress
7. Manage money better
8. Learn something new
9. Get a better job/promotion
10. Become more organized.

I wonder if there is a study on the success rate of these resolutions. I’m sure I could pick up the επίκεντρος of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Madeline Buckley at mbuckley@nd.edu.

**Corrections**

The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If you have made a mistake, please contact editor@nd.edu so we can correct our error.

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST THIS SEMESTER?**

Andrea Kochert: sophomore

"The horse show for the equestrian team."

Michael Albrecht: senior Alumni

"Graduating."

Jessica Sheehan: junior LeMans

"Visiting with my friends that were abroad last semester."

Eileen Wilkie: senior off campus

"Earth Week."

Tom Furlong: junior Alumni

"Eileen dressing up as Captain Planet on Earth Day."

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**IN BRIEF**

Registration will begin today for instructional classes from 8 a.m. to midnight at Rolfs SportsRec Center at the RSRC registration desk.

Jeffrey Herbst, Provost and Executive Vice-President for Academic Affairs at Miami University (Ohio) will deliver the lecture “Why We Were Wrong About Zimbabwe” in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center today at 4:15 p.m.

The film “Golden Door” will be shown tonight at 7 in Browning Cinema. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center as part of “Immigration: A Notre Dame Perspective” two-part film series. Tickets are $3 for students.

There will be a “Family Guy” Trivia Contest tonight from 7 to 10 in the LaFortune Ballroom. Sign-ups will begin at the door at 6:30 p.m. Test out your “Family Guy” knowledge for a chance to win a life-sized Stewie and a Family Guy DVD set.

Men’s and women’s indoor track will host the ND Indoor Opener Friday at 5 p.m. in the LeFortune Sports Center. Admission is free.

Men’s swimming will host Louisville Friday at 5 p.m. in Rolfs Aquatic Center. Admission is free.

The film “Miss Navajo” will be shown Friday at 10 p.m. in Browning Cinema, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Director Billy Luther is scheduled to be present.

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

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Kroc Institute offers new Ph.D.  
New doctorate in peace studies among few offered in nation

By MADLINE BUCKLEY  
News Writer

The Kroc Institute is now accepting applications for its new doctoral program in peace studies, making Notre Dame one of the few major universities in the country to offer a Ph.D. in the field.

The recent addition to the University’s doctoral program will make Notre Dame a worldwide leader in peace studies research, said professor Robert Johansen, director of doctoral studies at the Kroc Institute.

The program will welcome its first class of doctoral students this fall.

Peace studies is a growing field because of a recognition that violence is not going away, and secondly, that we are not very well-equipped for knowing how to deal with it,” Johansen said.

The new Ph.D. program is designed “to turn out some of the brightest and most curious people to beome scholars,” he said. "This was a very warm and reassuring vote of confidence for this program from the highest levels in the University.”

And that may be because the program fits well with the University’s mission, he said. “Notre Dame is a natural for this in my view,” Johansen said. “Our program looks a lot at ethical questions that bear on major war and peace issues. This is something that Notre Dame is especially good at because of its Catholic heritage, which gives Notre Dame a special advantage with this program.”

Applicants interested in the peace studies Ph.D. will have to pass through two separate admissions committees and have excellent academic credentials.

Johansen said that academic ability is only a portion of the admissions decision.

“We are looking for clear evidence from the applicants of a long-term commitment to peace building,” Johansen said.

Most doctoral graduates will likely teach peace studies and do research, Johansen said.

“The program prepares people to become scholars,” he said. "But some will go into work with intergovernmental organizations like the United Nations. Others may work within the diplomatic community.”

A third group, he said, might work with non-governmental organizations such as Amnesty International or Human Rights Watch.

We really think this is part of the Catholic mission,” Johansen said. “Concern for all human beings in the world is uppermost. We need to look at the threat of violence like doctors look at disease. We need to find antidotes and ways to prevent it.”

The anticipated size of the doctoral program is of about 20 to 25 students, according to the Kroc Institute Web site. Approximately four students will be accepted in each incoming class.

The deadline to apply for the 2008-09 year is Feb. 1.

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RecSports touts new group-training

By LINDSEY SENA  
News Writer

Keeping that New Year’s going-to-the-gym-more-often resolution may be easier this year with the help and supervision of professional trainers for small groups of friends, a new workout option available to students through RecSports.

In addition to the personal trainer program, RecSports created the small group-training program for students who like to work out with their friends, said RecSports fitness coordinator Stelly Dodd-Bell.

“This gives them the opportunity to learn some instruction and come play with their friends,” Dodd-Bell said.

While she said personal trainers can be an easy way to “spice up” a dull exercise routine and “keep you from getting bored,” Dodd-Bell believes having friends to exercise with will provide that “little extra motivation” that many students need to make the trip to the gym.

Similar to individual personal training sessions, which first became available last February, small group personal training is sold in packages ranging from “Domer” (which includes three sessions) to “Fighting Irish” (total cost of 10 sessions). Before beginning the actual training, students must take a fitness assessment, in which their body composition, muscle strength and cardiovascular endurance are evaluated.

In addition to contributing to the students’ motivation for exercising, group personal training is less of a financial strain than individual personal training, Dodd-Bell said. For groups of two students, the “Domer” package costs $57 per person. For groups of four, each student has to pay only $48. Individual personal training costs a student $69 for three sessions.

Junior Patrick Kennedy said training in a group could create another incentive to fit a quick workout into his weekly routine.

“I think it’s a great idea. Unless I have something scheduled, it’s hard for me to find the time to work out but if I had someone else with me, it would be much more fun,” Kennedy said.

But other students, like sophomores Raymond Clark, may prefer to keep exercising on their own.

“Working out is more personal for me. I’m individually motivated, so I’d rather work out by myself,” Clark said.

The small group personal training program has ongoing registration and allows students to customize their fitness goals and request a male or female trainer.

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Nevertheless, many students were upset with the way the situation was handled, and several Clover Ridge residents said their landlords should have done more to notify them of the burglaries.

"I had a missed call from Clover Ridge and I tried to contact the office but I wasn't able to get through and they never called me back. It was only when I couldn't rent anymore I found out when happened," said student Jordan Feltz, a Clover Ridge resident.

Bolz said he lost nearly $600 in stolen DVDs as well as $60 from his change jar.

While he was upset because of the break-in and the material losses, he said he didn't think there was much the complex could have done to prevent the burglary itself.

On the security front, I really don't think the complex can do anything. It's just bound to happen on winter break," he said. "But I think they could definitely improve how they notify people.

Improving the students' safety will continue to be a top priority, Miller said.

"We're exploring every possible solution to make Stadium Club even more secure so that our students feel protected. That's our number one goal."

Susan Miller Stadium Club property manager

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"In the last 40 or 50 years, Catholic schools have gone through a tremendous transformation."

Chuck Lampiher ACE Consulting assistant director

This will help the program's staff determine what families, faculty and staff members want for the school.

"Listening is first," he said. "Then [we] identify not only where [the schools] need help, but also see what we can do."

But instead of simply telling schools what changes they need to make, ACE Consulting plans to work with them to make improvements, Lampiher said.

"We will never come in and dictate how they ought to be. But we want to enter into a relationship," he said.

Staud also emphasized the importance of building relationships with schools.

"We may not just say 'You need to do an annual report,' but we will help them figure out how to do it and work with them," he said.

Staud added that it is not only a lack of financial resources that poses a problem for Catholic schools, but also that many Catholic schools are "stretched." Sometimes one person must do several jobs to keep the school running, not leaving enough time to deal with business matters.

Eventually, Lampiher hopes that ACE Consulting will visit five to nine full-time staff members, as well as the support of other members of the Notre Dame community.

"We hope also to engage other friends of Notre Dame—graduates, members of the business community—to help grow it," he said.

Staud cited the keynote speech delivered by Margaret Spillings, U.S. Secretary of Education, at the ACE graduation in 2006. Spillings referred to Catholic schools as "national treasures."

"There are many people in the country who recognize the amount of work [Catholic schools] do and continue to do,"

John Staud ACE director

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EGYPT — Egypt endorses Bush's peace plan

Britain and Egypt — President Bush's fast-track plan for a Middle East peace agreement got a welcome endorsement Wednesday from a nation seen as a key Arab moderate. President Hosni Mubarak, who has frustrated his American hosts with his ambiguous drive. An Israeli-Palestinian agreement has eluded U.S. presidents for decades, and Bush didn't put much effort into trying for the first seven years of his presidency.

Bush had a message for skeptical Arab states whose help he needs to make any accord stick and who doubt the president's intention to personally shepherd a deal. "I mean what I'm saying," Bush said.

Bomber kills 9 holy-day worshippers

BAGHDAD — A female suicide bomber struck black-clad worshippers preparing for Shiites' Islam's holiest day, killing at least nine Wednesday in an attack that highlighted insurgent walking army of tactics against a U.S.-led offensive in key areas on Baghdad's doorstep.

A witness said people shouted slogans against al-Qaida in Iraq as they carried the dead and wounded from the blood scene near a market place in Tiyasa province — a region of farmland and palm groves northeast of Baghdad that holds strategic havens for extremists.

Navy exempted from environment law

LOS ANGELES — Conservationists on Wednesday blasted President Bush's decision to exempt the Navy from an environmental law that requires a waiting period using offshore sonar in its training off Southern California.

The president's action by itself won't allow the anti-submarine warfare training to go forward because an injunction is in place, but the Navy believes it will significantly strengthen its argument in court. A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco is expected to make a determination on the future of the Navy exercises on Friday.

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Dem removal to restore salmon runs

PORTLAND, Ore. — More than 300 miles of struggling salmon runs would be restored along the Klamath River as part of a landmark $1 billion proposal that represents the largest dam removal project in the nation's history.

The plan, announced Tuesday, followed two years of closed-door negotiations between a landmark group of federal, tribal, conservation groups and government agencies battling over the fate of scarce water and fish protected by the Endangered Species Act.

Koshech, 71, was pronounced Kibaki the victor. Observers have said the election was deeply flawed.

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"The period of socialization for the youngest voters has become more complicated and takes longer," Savage said.

"The young people I deal with much more likely to go away to college. It takes them to 10 years ago, students are more likely to study abroad."

Savage spoke about the independence that many young people experience today. The contrasts with the more sedentary lifestyles of older voters, who often lived in the same regions where they grew up, adapting their parents’ political beliefs.

"Savage said in kind issues, rather than party affiliations are impor­tant for col­lege students today.

"There are so many young voters, even in their 20s, who vote by candidate and issue by issue rather than some form of organiza­tion or set ideology," he said.

Savage said many young voters will shift their polit­ical values in favor of indi­vidual concerns such as global warming. Young people, according to Savage, are much less concerned with issues like race or gender and more concerned with innovative ideas and speeches. Whereas young people might downplay any con­troversies behind candi­dates Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton, older vot­ers may be more inclined to recognize them as key aspects in their voting decisions. "The youngest voters seek changes the sooner the better," Savage said.

Savage is also a pre-law advisor at Saint Mary’s. He will be appearing on future media outlets pend­ing invitations and future ca­rriers results, he said.

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Colin Feenah said his committee has experienced set­backs due to break-ins at off­campus student apartments during winter break. According to Feenah, there were approximately six to 12 break-ins on Vaness Street, 11 at Stadium Club and 10 at Dover Bridge. In most cases, stu­dents reported stolen appliances and other items. "Our committee will be looking into the different security meas­ures that different complexes and landlords took to see how they did and didn’t do so well," Feenah said.

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Fed: Economy losing momentum

Retailers, builders, manufacturers to face more hard times as economic picture uncertain

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Retailers, home builders and many manufacturers should brace for even more rough times ahead, a sobering report to Federal Reserve suggested Wednesday amid growing fears that the U.S. might be sliding into recession.

The Fed’s snapshot of business conditions showed a national economy losing momentum, and the stock market fell — raising concerns that the country is heading for its first recession since 2001.

At the beginning of last year, many economists put the chance of a recession at less than 1-in-3; now an increasing number say 50-50 or even worse. Goldman Sachs, the biggest investment bank on Wall Street, thinks a recession is inevitable this year.

The Fed report was the unwelcome icing on a recent batch of economic indicators — ranging from a plunge in retail sales to a big jump in unemployment rates, suggesting the country is heading for its first recession since 2001.

The economy probably grew at a 1.5 percent pace in the final three months of 2007, “the outlook for housing remains gloomy,” said the report. And the outlook for housing is for 2008 among retail

House Democrats pass mine safety bill

WASHINGTON — Defying White House veto threats, the Democratic-controlled House on Wednesday passed sweeping mine safety legislation aimed at preventing future underground disasters.

The legislation would add safeguards for safety violations; place it completely in control of a rescue site, including communication with mining families; and require new coal-dust monitors to reduce 99 deaths at a rescue site, including communication with mining families; and require new coal-dust monitors to reduce 99 deaths in 2007, according to the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

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Marine suspected of fleeing country

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. — A Marine suspected of killing a pregnant conrade told friends he would flee to Mexico to avoid being convicted of raping her, and investigators said Wednesday they are working with Mexican authorities to track him down.

A wide-ranging manhunt for Cpl. Cesar Armando Laurean began on Friday, after authorities said he fled North Carolina, according to two law enforcement officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation.

"It was not immediately clear what the letters said, how many of them were sent or where they were from, but one of the officials said at least one of the letters was postmarked from Mexico," said Laurean's wife, Christina Laurean. "We strongly suspect, but have not confirmed, that Laurean may be in Mexico.

The court documents are included with an FBI criminal complaint charging Laurean with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution. He is also wanted in North Carolina on a state arrest warrant for murder.

Laurean appears to have mailed letters to friends and family while he was in the House, was charged with money laundering, conspiracy and obstructing justice for allegedly lying about being hired to lobby senators on behalf of an Islamic charity that authorities said was secretly sending funds to terrorists.

Laurean is cooperating with authorities and provided them with the notes her husband left before skipping town.

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"It was a fraud committed by Al Qaeda in order to obtain a ransom for my son," said Shereef Akeel of Troy, Mich., rejected the charges outlined in Wednesday's indictment. "For four years I have not seen a single piece of a document that shows anyone did anything wrong," Akeel said.

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Ex-congressman indicted for raising money for terrorist group

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"Mark Siljander vehemently denies the allegations in the indictment," Hobbs said. "He described Siljander as "internationally recognized for his good faith attempts to bridge the gap between Christian and Muslim communities worldwide" and plugged the ex-congressman's upcoming book on that topic.

"The charges are part of a long-running case against the charity, which had been based in Columbia, Mo., before it was designated in 2004 by the Treasury Department as a suspected fund-raiser for terrorists. The indictment alleges that IARA also employed a fundraiser "who went to Osama bin Laden, the al-Qaida leader blamed for the Sept. 11 attacks."

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Associated Press

TOKYO — Protesters scored a victory in a high-seas campaign to disrupt Japan’s whale hunt in the Antarctic as activists gained access to the harpoon vessel for the first time since the start of the hunt on Jan. 17.

Japan’s top government officials scrambled to unload two protesters who had managed to board the Sea Shepherd vessel, the Nisshin Maru, after a standoff scene by a boat belonging to one of the environmental groups that try to stop it. The founder of the Sea Shepherd anti-whaling group, Paul Watson, told The Associated Press by satellite phone that the Japanese are targeting vulnerable whale stocks and said his organization will keep harrowing the fleet.

“We will chase them until they stop their hunt,” Watson said from aboard his vessel, the Steve Irwin, a Sea Shepherd vessel.

As long as we are chasing them, we do not consider this a victory,” he said.

Japanese officials said a Greenpeace boat also was shadowing the whaling fleet.

Watson claimed the two activists were not involved in any assault and said they intended only to board the ship to deliver a protest letter.

The men were detained and briefly tied up. Watson alleged they were referred to as activists, which Japanese officials denied.

“Japan has decided to continue considering transferring the two activists to a third country, such as the United States or the Australian allocation, fisheries officials said. An Australian government official said the Ocean Viking, which was in southern waters although neither side announced a handover deal.

“Japanese Foreign Minister Stephen Smith called for caution by the two countries over the fatal 2006 standoff in St. Petersburg from Monday in St. Petersburg, Russian authorities on Tuesday accused Sea Shepherd of "piracy" and stopped by Russian law enforcement authorities and that British Council said its cultural organization accused the Russians of "playing with terror." No side announced a handover deal.

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Where have you gone, Walter Cronkite?

Last week Stephen Colbert, in his typical offhand manner, made one of the most irrelevant observations on the manner in which this year’s presidential campaign is being conducted. Discussing the off-putting “wait for Hillary” strategy of former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Colbert speculated that Giuliani would go on in a similar fashion, letting the terror win a few rounds to build up their confidence before sweeping in to take the day.

What Colbert’s wit attests to is the growing trend, especially in the realm of the three giant 24-hour cable news networks, of viewing the electoral process in this country as a game. Giuliani’s large-state strategy is merely one permutation of ways in which candidates for the president of all 50 United States, with the media giddily agog along for the ride, have thwarted and neglected the mission of campaigning to all the people of those 50 states in favor of gaining the system, showcasing and being hugely rewarded for skills which have little — if anything — to do with the awesome responsibilities of governing this nation.

The greatest problem resulting from a campaign structure which so easily invites dodges and misdirection in that the media become more interested in the game than the game. Aside from the possible exceptions of Senator John McCain’s well-publicized collaboration with Ted Kennedy on illegal immigration and Mike Huckabee’s oddly-intriguing support of the Fair Tax, no issues have really garnered traction in the primary election coverage.

SENRIC might be the worst offender of the three major networks. After Iowa, I suggested they change the station’s acronym to represent “Must Say Nothing Besides Change.” The network’s talking heads spent hour after hour reiterating how each campaign had made use of the desires for change, how Hillary Clinton had perhaps erred in Iowa by trying to make herself out as a “change agent,” when most voters really saw Barack Obama as the apparent true candidate of change. What was lost in the discussion was any sense of what was going to be changed, why change was necessary, and how one candidate’s version of change would be different from any other candidate’s. The core of the problem is lazy journalism. Chris Matthews is not really interested in the economy, or healthcare, or anything really, because he doesn’t find those things fun. Elections are for him for the same reasons they are alienating to an increasing portion of Americans. Matthews laughs at negative attack ads that torture logic to the breaking point. He smiles at the underhanded tactics employed with virtues precision by Hillary Clinton, wherein campaign staff members make the less dignified attacks on the opposition, such as bringing up Barack Obama’s drug use or the idea that Obama’s support is a symphony of white guilt, giving the candidate herself distance from these unsavory remarks. Meanwhile, I doubt Matthews, or Wil Hume, or Anderson Cooper with his “Best Political Team on Television” even knows what Mitt Romney thinks about anything. I mean, of course, what Mitt Romney thinks now, not what he may have thought yesterday, which could be wildly different.

The sad thing is that the proliferation of news on television has somehow, almost inexplicably, led to the public being less well-informed about the world around it. There is so much time to fill on these networks, and yet we got the same people talking about the same few things over and over again, with the election and its intrigues taking over this year from missing white teenagers and murdered wolves.

In all this coverage, there is so little that could pass muster as true journalism or reporting as to be funny if the stakes weren’t the identity of the leader of the free world. Arbitrarily assigning blame for the discrepancy between the exit polls and the actual results in New Hampshire is not reporting, it is guesstimating. Crediting Hillary Clinton’s rise to her stirring up mild agitation at a rally is baseless and uninformatve, the definition of the antithesis of news.

Instead of having campaign staff members on to disingenuously “analyze” the election process or defend their candidate’s decision on which states and voters to ignore, the news networks could have people on to discuss the actual positions the candidates have. I would like to see leading economists on the air discussing the advantages and disadvantages of the Fair Tax. I want national security experts talking about Iraq, and whether we can end the war, as many Democratic candidates want to, or whether we may be there for 100 years or more.

I understand that there are avenues for me to discover this information on my own, through the Internet or elsewhere. I humbly submit that I am ashamed of my own lack of knowledge on certain topics, and while I am the most responsible for this, I do believe that there is a tacit social contract being largely ignored by the news media to actually report facts, not speculation. We in America need our news media to rise to the level of seriousness we would like to see in the campaign itself.

John Everett is a senior English major. He is thought to be somewhere between 21 and 45 years of age. He is armed only with a sharp wit and is considered can- tonous. If you have any information regarding his whereabouts, please contact him at the Observer.

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Find inspiration for New Year’s resolutions

Welcome back! Welcome to your new classes, new books, clean notebooks, your new professor and to the fresh start that a new year always brings. As a student, I used to feel as if I had three “New Year’s” — one on the first of January, and one at the beginning of each new semester.

With all the resolutions, plans and sacrifices we embark upon for New Year’s we should all find ourselves daily-exercising, healthy-eating, moderating-drinking, non-smoking, regular-praying, teeth-flossing, non-procrastinating, homework-completing persons of virtuous habits. Perhaps this year, this will be true. I won’t hold my breath. Why? Because along with making all these earnest plans we make one common mistake: We believe it’s all these earnest plans we make that’s true for flossing and exercising, that’s true for Lenten sacrifices, here’s an idea you could use for either. It has two parts. First, read the gospels, the story of Jesus’ life, public ministry, death and resurrection. You can read the gospels between all of them, or just pick one. The Church is reading Matthew this year; you could start there. As you read, notice — really notice — what Jesus is like. Second, ask — really ask — God to help you try to be like Jesus. I suppose it would be easy to think, “Jesus’ life was so different than mine.” It would really be a stretch to think entering into his life will help me live mine.” Though he may have lived under different circumstances and in a different culture, Jesus became human precisely to show us how to be human. And that’s all God wants from us as well: that we live our human-ness to the fullest. To the extent that we can, we’re not looking a little more like Jesus. It wouldn’t be boring, being like Jesus. First of all, he enjoyed life. He made sure a big party had plenty of wine; he loved to eat with friends; he told stories that the disciples had to puzzle out to understand. He could be demanding; he got angry at injustice; he got angry at people who were confused and irritated the religious and political leaders of the time. He didn’t stand idle when he knew another was in need. He had the charisma to convince more acquaintances to drop the ways of their livelihood and follow him on an unknown and improbable journey.

All of this does come back to those pesky New Year’s resolutions, by the way, as well as to the Lenten sacrifices you may already be considering. Jesus certainly got plenty of exercise; he had no other way but walking to get anywhere. He probably ate right, simply because he didn’t have as many unhealthy choices as Martin’s, McDonald’s and Starbucks offer us. Even when it meant leaving everyone else, from his dear friends to great crowds of people, so that he could be alone with God, Jesus made regular prayer a priority. He didn’t appear to be a procrastinator, most certainly not considering the disciples quite early on that things would seem to end badly for him. More importantly, however — much more importantly — Jesus lived, prayed, made choices, acted upon those choices, and loved, all with his relationship to God as the foundation and center of his life. If we could do the same, maybe we would take better care of ourselves out of gratitude because God created us. Maybe we’d pray more regularly just because we wish to spend more time with the Lord. Maybe we would treat others with the utmost respect and honor because we can see our common bond in our creation and our baptism.

Jesus tells us in John’s gospel, “I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done ...” (Lk. 13:15). Though this passage comes from a specific moment in the story, when Jesus has just washed the disciples’ feet, we can remember that everything about Jesus’ life sets us an example. In the still-fresh newness of 2008, perhaps our most significant resolution ought to be to ask God to help us follow that example as closely as we can.

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Cold-hearted tech firms block progress, charity

Optimism abounded when Nicholas Negroponte announced his goal to design the $100 laptop, an item that could improve learning for millions of poor children. Finally, it seemed advanced technology would help the disadvantaged among us and increase the stock values of Silicon Valley companies.

Unfortunately, some of those cold-hearted, profit-mongering corporations such as Intel and Microsoft lack the morals to assist in need. He had the charisma to convince more acquaintances to drop the ways of their livelihood and follow him on an unknown and improbable journey.

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The Five Stages of a Giraffe Death

Feel the longneck's pain as he sinks his way to an untimely demise.

Deion Walker Highlights

Check out Notre Dame's latest commitment on the recruiting front.

Charlie Bit Me

British babies biting each other. What more needs to be said?

"The Wire" returns for its final season

By T. EDWARD ANDREWS
Scenes Editor

Time Magazine, Entertainment Weekly and the Chicago Tribune have all called it "the best show on television" and yet as HBO's "The Wire" enters its fifth and final season, the show still lacks a large mainstream following. Despite its criminal under-appreciation by the masses, "The Wire" promises to return to its roots as one of the hardest hitting, most innovative and best dramas in the history of television.

Set on the mean streets of Baltimore, Md., "The Wire" depicts a grim picture of urban life in inner city America, following the ravaging effects of the drug trade and the accompanying violence and crime it stains the streets with.

In its first season, "The Wire" concerned itself primarily with the criminal empire of Avon Barksdale (Wood Harris) and Stringer Bell (Idris Elba) and detective work done by Detective Jimmy McNulty (Dominic West), Lieutenant Cedric Daniels (Lance Reddick), Detective Lester Freamon (Clarke Peters) and others to bring down that empire. The show derives its name from a wiretap the police set up in order to build a case against Barksdale's crew. However, in subsequent seasons the show expanded from its original status as a cops-and-robbers drama to an inner city magnum opus sprawling across all facets of urban life in Baltimore, including the politics of police work, the politics of education and the politics of politics.

The best part of "The Wire" is that the show doesn't try to push a message about morality — it just portrays real life. As he takes the job the exigencies of the office and his own political goals cause him to alter his original aims. Politician and Mayor Tommy Carcetti (Michael K. Williams) has become a fan favorite as the roughest, toughest gunslinger on the streets. He also happens to be gay, and by doing so, "The Wire" challenges conventional norms of masculinity and homosexuality.

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Since winning election, Baltimore mayor Tommy Carcetti (Aidan Gillen) has had his hands full.

Even behind bars, Avon Barksdale (Wood Harris) continues to play a role on Baltimore's crime scene.

Colonel Cedric Daniels (Lance Reddick) encounters the politics of police work as he climbs the ladder.

Detective Lester Freamon (Clarke Peters) begins to exhume a slew of murders by Mario Stanfield.

Mario Stanfield (Jamie Hector) has assumed the throne of druglord of Baltimore, but will he last?

Hard drinking detective Jimmy McNulty (Dominic West) has begun sliding back into his wild ways.

Roland Pryzbylewski (Jim True-Frost) tries to make a difference as a schoolteacher.

Infamous gay stick-up artist Omar Little (Michael K. Williams) has a bulls-eye on his back.

Big brother Michael Lee (Tristan Wilds) cares for his little brother while rising in the drug ranks.
BOSTON — Ray Allen impressed teammate Paul Pierce with his shooting. For Allen, satisfying himself proved much to overcom e, when with the shot. “We’ve been playing to win lately, but tonight I think we just came in to give them a good game. The next time we play them we have to believe that we can actually beat them.”

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Portland cut it to 80-75 on Ouatx’s 3 with 5:55 to go, but Ray Allen hit a key 3, followed that with a turnaround jumper and added a 3 with 5 seconds left to help Boston seal the win. Ray Allen had 12 points and 11 rebounds half with four free throws in the final 31 seconds. “They showed why they’re the best team record-wise in the East,” Portland coach Nate McMillan said.

Portland led 45-43 at halftime.

**Boston forward Kevin Garnett grabs one of his seven rebounds during the Celtics 100-90 win over the Trail Blazers Wednesday.**

**Wallace scores 36 points in Bobcats’ upset win over Magic; Knicks record third-straight victory over rival Nets**

BOSTON — Ray Allen scored a season-high 35 points, Kevin Garnett had 26 and the Boston Celtics rebounded from their first consecutive losses of the season with a 100-90 win over Portland on Wednesday night.

Allen, who scored 26 points in the second half on 9-of-13 shooting, wasn’t about to get caught up in the excitement of his scoring.

“It was great to watch. When you’ve got a hot player like that who’s done it so many times you’ve got a hot player like that you’ve got a hot player like that,” Roy said. “We’ve been playing to win lately, but tonight I think we just came in to give them a good game. The next time we play them we have to believe that we can actually beat them.”

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Portland cut it to 80-75 on Ouatx’s 3 with 5:55 to go, but Ray Allen hit a key 3, followed that with a turnaround jumper and added a 3 with 5 seconds left to help Boston seal the win. Ray Allen had 12 points and 11 rebounds half with four free throws in the final 31 seconds. “They showed why they’re the best team record-wise in the East,” Portland coach Nate McMillan said.

Portland led 45-43 at halftime.

**Bobcats 99, Magic 93**

The Charlotte Bobcats’ awful start to this season might be too much to overcome, but the fourth-year team is finally starting to look like a playoff outfit.

Charlotte, which had been 0-3 against Orlando this season by an average margin of 13 points, took its first lead since 9-8 on Richardson’s 3-pointer with 8:20 left. Matt Carroll’s 3 with 5:50 left made it 88-82.

Orlando, struggling to run its offense with Arroyo and Keith Bogans, went nearly four minutes without a point until Hedo Turkoglu’s driving layup made it 90-87.

Richardson then hit his 3 and the Magic fell to 16-9 on the road.

**Knicks 111, Nets 105**

For the first time since Jason Kidd showed up in New Jersey, the guys on the New York side are having more fun in the Hudson River rivalry.

Jamal Crawford scored a season-high 35 points and hit a tying 3-pointer, leading the Knicks to a 111-105 victory Wednesday night over the New Jersey Nets that gave them the season series for the first time in eight years.

Zach Randolph added 24 points and 11 rebounds for the Nets, who are 3-0 against their cross-river rivals after the Nets beat them twice last season.

New Jersey’s Darrell Armstrong collides with Knicks guard Nate Robinson in the second quarter of New York’s 211-205 win Wednesday.

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Moss denied the allegation by Rachelle Washington, which he called “this situation of extortion,” and said he was “furious” about it. The restraining order was issued in the Broward County 17th Judicial Circuit of Florida.

A hearing on whether to issue a permanent restraining order is scheduled for 3 p.m. Jan. 28, six days before the Super Bowl.

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“I don’t know if it’s arrogance. But you’ve been locked up at the Clark County Detention Center since Friday because of arrogance or ignorance — or both.”

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SPORTS

A Great Cloud of Witnesses: Saints in the Catholic Tradition

January 18-19, McKenna Hall

On the occasion of the first feast day celebration of Blessed Basil Moreau, founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross, this conference will explore the development of the canonization process and the significance of the saints in Catholic life and devotion.

Friday, January 18

4:00 p.m. Thinking Seriously about the Saints
Lawrence Cunningham, University of Notre Dame

7:30 p.m. Making Saints
Kenneth Woodward, Former Religion Editor, Newsweek

Saturday, January 19

9:00 a.m. All Saints: The Universal Call to Holiness
Ann Astell, University of Notre Dame

10:30 a.m. A Great Cloud of Witnesses
Msr. Kevin in Kostelmek, Rector, Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, Los Angeles

2:00 p.m. Blessed Basil Moreau
Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington, D.C

3:30 p.m. Saints in Everyday Life
Robert Ellsberg, Editor, Orbis Books

On Sunday, January 20, Cardinal McCarrick will preside at the Eucharistic liturgy at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 10:00 a.m.

"By canonizing some of the faithful, i.e., by solemnly proclaiming that they practiced heroic virtue and lived in fidelity to God’s grace, the Church recognizes the power of the Spirit of holiness within her and sustains the hope of believers by proposing the saints to them as models and intercessors." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 7828)
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Scheyer's free throws key to Duke's 70-57 win

Temple tops ranked Xavier for first time in two years; Harris nets 22 points to carry Massachusetts over Dayton

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — For awhile it looked like No. 7 Duke might just lose a third straight time to Florida State, a team trying to get back to NCAA tournament for the first time in 10 years.

But coach Mike Krzyzewski's youthful Blue Devils rallied from a second-half swoon just in time Wednesday night.

Jon Scheyer scored 21 points and four teammates combined to make eight straight free throws in the final 1:34 to beat Florida State 70-57 and snap the unlikely two-game losing streak to the Seminoles.

"For awhile there it looked like there's no way we're going to win it and then our kids got tough," Krzyzewski said. "After they had been the weakest they got to be the toughest. I don't know how that works, but it worked tonight.

Florida State took its only lead of the second half at 52-54 on Jason Rich's layup with 3:45 left before Duke put the game away with a closing 16-2 run. Kyle Singler's 3-pointer at halftime before Rich, who had all 18 of his points in the second half, keyed the comeback by Florida State (12-6, 1-2).

"We imposed our will on us, which he can do," Krzyzewski said. "We just played harder."

Tony Douglas added 13 points for Florida State while Uche Echuvel, who had 24 points and 12 rebounds in a double-overtime loss at Clemson on Saturday, was held to six points and seven rebounds.

"We got beat by a team that executed and maintained their poise for longer periods than we did," Florida State coach Leonard Hamilton said. "They have so many weapons.

Gerald Henderson added 11 points and Singer had 10 for Duke. Henderson's eight rebounds helped the Blue Devils to a 44-22 advantage on the boards.

Temple 78, Xavier 59

Not since John Chaney patrolled the sideline has Temple played so well against a better team. Donte Christmas scored 19 of his 25 points in the second half and Mark Tyndale added 22 to lead Temple to a 19-point win over Xavier in the Big East opener.

The Owls (7-8, 1-1 Atlantic 10) beat a ranked opponent for the first time in two years to earn their biggest win since

FRAN DUNPHY

Temple coach Fran Dunphy replaced the Hall of Fame coach last season.

"This win means a lot for us going into the next game," Christmas said. "We have a lot of confidence. We know what we're capable of.

This was the type of dominating effort that became typical on North Broad Street when Chaney guided Temple to 17 NCAA tournament appearances, including five NCAA regional finals.

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"I think it's just a matter of time before they regain their national prominence," Xavier coach Sean Miller said. "They have a great coach. We respect then a great deal.

Derrick Brown had 14 points for the Musketeers (14-4, 2-1), who had won six in a row by an average margin of 25.3 points since losing to then-No. 12 Tennessee on Dec. 22.

But Temple came ready to play defense.

Luis Guzman scored all 13 of his points in the first half to tie his career-best. Sparked by Guzman's performance, Temple played one of its best halves using a 12-2 run to take a 27-1 lead.

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"We played as good a game as we can play on both ends of the court," Dunphy said. "We're improving as a team.

Temple's win over a Top 25 team came against No. 6 George Washington in the championship of the A-10 tournament in 2006. A small-but-enthusiastic crowd ran onto the court to celebrate this victory — one of the few times they've had reason to cheer lately.

"It's a great building grip into the A-10 games," Tyndale said. "It's a big win for us."

Massachusetts put the clamps on the Flyers' leading scorer in the first half, holding him to two points and forcing Dayton to look for other scorers.

"We focused on Roberts as much as we could to shut him down. We executed almost to perfection," Massachusetts coach Travis Ford said. The Minutemen finished with 13 3-pointers and used their speed in the open court to beat Dayton's defense, scoring 14 points off turnovers.

"We gave up way too much dribble penetration, which led to open 3s," Dayton coach Brian Gregory said. "If they're going to double Brian Roberts, other guys need to step up and make plays. We didn't do enough of that tonight consistently.

Dayton finished 4-of-25 from 3-point range. When Dayton tried to take the ball inside, the Minutemen would collapse, blocking shots — six in all — or forcing the Flyers to kick the ball back out.

Dayton took a 57-56 lead with 10:10 remaining on a layup by Roberts. With the Flyers leading 59-58 after the teams exchanged baskets, Lowe hit two free throws to put Massachusetts ahead for good.

A minute later he made a layup off a missed 3-point attempt by the Flyers, and the Minutemen never trailed again.

"I told our team to expect them to come back," Ford said. "They came back and even took the lead, but we responded well."
With baby looking on, Davenport bows out

Sharapova defeats new mother in second-round match

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia - Maria Sharapova looked up and spotted a 7-month-old kid staring down her short hair.

"I thought I saw her little kid giving me dirty looks," the 19-year-old Russian said.

But the boy, Jagger, was court-side. His mom, Lindsay Davenport, winner of three Grand Slam titles and with a 19-1 record since returning to the tour, was across the net.

Sharapova bested Davenport, 6-1, 6-3 Wednesday night to move into the third round of the Australian Open against a fellow Russian, Elena Vesnina.

"Tell your baby, I approached it like it's a final," said Sharapova, straying from her "match at a time" mantra. "Ever since I took a peek at the draw and saw that Lindsay was second round." Davenport was only five tournaments into a comeback after giving birth to Jagger last June. Still, Sharapova was preparing for a matchup worthy of the second week of a major.

"You probably don't get to see too many second rounds where you see two Grand Slam champions, former No. 1 playing against each other," said the 19-year-old. "It's a battle against a fellow Russian. I have a lot of time to focus on the form of a tournament."

Serena Williams made a comeback of her own last year, capturing an eighth Grand Slam title with an emphatic victory over lady Williams in the Australian Open final only three weeks after one of her worst career losses in a tournament at Hobart. She was ranked No. 1 and was only the second unseeded woman to win a Grand Slam title.

Now ranked No. 7, she's growing in confidence for an Australian title defense. She improved her record to 25-1 in her five most recent trips to Melbourne Park with a 6-3, 6-1 win over China's Yuan Meng. Sister Venus, whose first-round win was her first at the Australian Open final only three weeks after one of her worst career losses in a tournament at Hobart. She was ranked No. 1 and was only the second unseeded woman to win a Grand Slam title.

If Sharapova or McEnroe has an off-night shooting, others need to pick up the slack. It could be Tory Jackson finding his way inside, Luke Zeller or Alex Tyus. Those defensive efforts are almost as unappreciated by the casual observer as Kurz's overall career at Notre Dame. Davenport hadn't a tear to her eye in the heart of the action.

All of that could happen — but it's very much of this season.

Against Martic, Harangody had 30 points and Kurz added 11. But no one else scored in double figures. Kurz added 11, but no one else scored.
**NCAA BASKETBALL**

**Tar Heels edge Georgia Tech**

Hansbrough’s block with seconds left keeps North Carolina perfect

Associated Press

ATLANTA — North Carolina usually does its best work at the offensive end.

This time, it was a defensive play that kept the top-ranked Tar Heels perfect.

With Georgia Tech poised to pull off a monumental upset, Tyler Hansbrough made a game-saving block in the closing seconds and the Tar Heels escaped with an 83-82 victory.

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Hansbrough scored 27 points, bullying inside for shots and drawing one foul after another, and also had 11 rebounds. "It was really, really rough," Tar Heels coach Roy Williams said.

Hansbrough finished 7-of-14 from the field and kept getting to the foul line, where he had more attempts (15) than Georgia Tech's entire team (10). The burly, 6-foot-9 junior made 13 free throws, and North Carolina needed every one of them.

"My face really got beat up," said Hansbrough, who also had 11 rebounds. "It was really, really rough." North Carolina is off to its best start since the 1985-86 season began with 21 straight wins. Another encouraging sign for the Tar Heels: This is their first 3-0 start in the conference since 2004-05, and that team went on to claim the NCAA championship.

This season, they have won all but four of their games with double-digit blowouts. North Carolina came into Atlanta averaging 92.2 points and winning by an average margin of 22.1.

With snow covering the ground outside after a rare winter storm in Georgia, the Yellow Jackets almost pulled off a monumental upset. D’Andre Bell hit a jumper to reclaim the lead for the home team. Lawson scored on a fast-break drive to make it 72-71. Georgia Tech took off from the other way for Peacock’s dunk. It was close to the end. Jeremi Smith hit two free throws with 1:13 remaining to make it 82-82, and Georgia Tech squandered a chance to go ahead when Morrow missed a jumper from the corner with the shot clock running down.

Green was fouled by Peacock on the rebound, and walked to the other end of the court to shoot two. Only one went in, but that was enough to give the Tar Heels another victory.

"I'd rather have the winning points than the winning point," Green quipped.

Smith led the Yellow Jackets with 15 points. Peacock had 14 and Morrow added 13. Freshman Gani Lawal also had 13 but fouled out with more than 5 minutes remaining.

Georgia Tech scored three more baskets than the mighty Tar Heels, including eight 3-pointers, but couldn't overcome their 21-26 showing at the foul line.

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the 6-4 lead in the first five minutes of the game. With Peters on the court, though, Notre Dame took the game back in its own hands.

The strong Irish press continued to force turnovers as Notre Dame stretched its lead. Despite staying strong up top, Notre Dame struggled to defend the Wildcats' three-point game. Villanova went 9-for-16 from the three-point line, led by Junior Lisa Karcic, who scored a team-high 20 points.

McGraw knew the Irish had their work cut out for them. "That was a great win for us," McGraw said. "Villanova is a really difficult team to guard. They obviously shoot the three very well."

The game also brought an excess of fouls from both sides. Villanova headed to the locker room after the first half with eight fouls, Notre Dame with six.

The Irish were able to control their fouls in the second half and finished the game with 12. Villanova had 18.

This made the difference for the Irish as they went 17-for-18 in free throws, just one shy of their team record. Villanova only went three-for-four from the line.

The match wasn't all ups for Notre Dame. With 4:55 left in the first half, Lindsay Schrader was down on the floor grabbing her left knee. McGraw said she was immediately concerned, since the guard had torn her right ACL last October.

"Bad memories went through my mind and I was worried," McGraw said. "She's been such a big key for us and she's having such a great year you have to see that happen."

Schrader re-entered the game in the second half, after doctors said she had hyper-extended her knee, which was not enough to keep her on the bench.

Schrader came back for the Irish to finish the game with 12 points.

Laura Kurz, sister of Notre Dame men's basketball captain Bob Kurz, led Villanova with 20 points.

Notre Dame had some trouble with the ball as the Villanova defense succeeded in forcing 19 turnovers from the Irish, but McGraw wasn't too worried.

"I don't think they're the type of turnovers you worry about because they weren't bad decisions," she said. "Notre Dame's athleticism helped slow Villanova's offense for the win, Villanova coach Harry Perretta said. "When have you had athleticism that disrupts anybody's offense," Villanova coach Perretta said.

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Irish forward Devereaux Peters shoots free throws in Notre Dame's 69-58 win over Villanova Wednesday. Getty did not score in the game.

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beat Peters, she used the only outlet available to her to take out her frustration. As Peters backed into the lane, Karcic reached around and popped her in the jaw.

Unfazed, Peters found guard Lindsay Schrader for the layup, then proceeded to steal a pass, run the length of the court, and make both free throws after she was fouled attempting a layup.

By disrupting Villanova's offense, Peters put together one of her best games of the season.

"She's everywhere. She takes up a lot of ground," Villanova head coach Harry Perretta said. "She's guarding our guards. She's faster than our point guard."

Along with her 15 points, which came on 5-of-8 shooting, Peters had six rebounds, three blocks and seven steals in the game. No player has had seven steals in a game since Megan Duffy did it on Jan. 30, 2005, when the Irish ended No. 9/10 Connecticut's 112-game winning streak at home against conference opponents.

She was also perfect from the foul line, hitting all five free throws she took.

Peters made a living on the block underneath the basket and waited for a lob pass from her teammates. Once it came, her adeptness at turning for the lay-in made life difficult for defenders.

Her natural affinity for defense made itself apparent as soon as she entered the game. Seconds after entering the lineup, she tipped a cross-court pass that resulted in a turnover and scored on the ensuing Irish possession.

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Villanova's offense suffocated when Peters participated in the press. Her height and long arms got in Villanova's way, and her quick feet carried her back and forth as she blanketed the Wildcat guards.

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**Theme:** WHAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME THAT IS SCRAMBLED

**Clues:**
- 30. "What to do if you don't want to be frozen." (11)

**Answers:**
- 37. How experts
- 30. Heavy dew
- 29. Many
- 28. Fearful
- 27. russian
- 26. Russian
- 25. "What to do if you don't want to be frozen." (11)
- 24. Pipe tobacco
- 23. University of
- 22. University of
- 21. Wise order
- 20. Center of power
- 19. 2011
- 18. Classic library
- 17. Library
- 16. Ballroom dancer
- 15. Oddly shaped
- 14. Statistical
- 13. Library
- 12. Listening"
- 11. Loaded up
- 10. Hand in hand
- 9. Bee line
- 8. As an example
- 7. In the back
- 6. Iced tea
- 5. "Don't they hate us?"
- 4. "What to do if you don't want to be frozen." (11)
- 3. 3,000
- 2. "Don't they hate us?"
- 1. "What to do if you don't want to be frozen." (11)

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**Jumble**

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

**Answers:**
- PIPE
- POZAT
- GRENE
- PROVED

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Grit and determination

Irish top Wildcats for second Big East win in three games

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

Villanova leads the nation with the fewest turnovers per game, but that didn't stop Irish freshman Devereaux Peters from playing her role.

Peters forced seven of Villanova's 24 turnovers in Notre Dame's 69-58 win over Villanova Wednesday night at the Joyce Center.

The Irish felt Peters' impact as soon as she stepped on the court at 15:47 in the first half. She grabbed her first steal only 20 seconds into the game and put her first two points on the board just 29 seconds later.

"She's a really good defender in the front of the press and I think she makes a difference in our press, which is why we were able to force the turnovers tonight," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said.

Villanova looked strong coming out of the gate and took an early lead, but the Irish were able to push through the mayhem and finish fourth despite shooting 36.3 percent from behind the arc. But she had to be frustrated with Irish forward Devereaux Peters. All night, Peters had disrupted the Wildcats offense, throwing her lanky limbs in front of shots and passes and destroying Villanova's momentum. She had also lived on the block all night and finished with a career-high 10 points. So because Karcie couldn't

SMC BASKETBALL

Kessler's record night powers Belles to win

Senior guard scores 41 as Saint Mary's tops K-Zoo, 72-69

By GRIFFIN DASSATI
Sports Writer

Alison Kessler rebounded from a slow start during Wednesday's game against Kalamazoo, scoring a school-record 41 points in the Belles' 72-69 win.

The Saint Mary's senior guard missed her first two shots and had a turnover early in the first half. She didn't get on the board until five and a half minutes had gone by.

Once she started, though, Kessler never stopped.

The Belles edged Kalamazoo for their third conference win of the season. Kessler, the only Belle to score in double figures, shot 14-27 from the field and pulled down nine rebounds in the win.

Despite Kessler's stellar performance, the Hornets (4-10, 1-5 MIAA) went shot-for-shot with the Belles the first half, always staying within at least six points. After the break, Kalamazoo took a 42-41 lead at the 16:41 mark, and stretched that lead to 12 with 7:48 left in the game.

But Saint Mary's took a 70-69 lead after a layup by Kessler with 34 seconds remaining. Twenty seconds later, Kessler iced the game and scored her fourth point with 34 seconds remaining.

Sophomore Anna Kammrath was the Belles' second leading scorer with eight and junior guard Erin Newsom chipped in eleven rebounds.

Kalamazoo senior guards Kelsea Howell and Therese Demres led the Hornets, scoring 22 and 19 points, respectively.

With the win, the Belles reached .500 both in the MIAA (2-2) and overall (7-7). The team hopes to continue its success Saturday at home against Tri-State. The contest with the Thunder will be the second home game for the Belles this season, and the first since Dec. 5 when the Belles lost to Calvin.

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