Energy audits increase efficiency

Nearly 3,000 fluorescent light bulbs distributed around campus as part of NBC’s Green Week

By AARON STEINER
News Writer

Over 75 student volunteers canvassed Notre Dame’s campus Sunday in attempts to increase energy efficiency and decrease energy consumption.

As part of the program, the volunteers distributed about 3,000 compact fluorescent light bulbs in dorms.

Lourdes Long, president of GreeND, said GreeND and the Office of Sustainability coordinated the energy audits and light bulb exchange, with help from sustainability commissioners from dorms.

“We probably got around 3,000 light bulbs out there… and we went to about 1,000 rooms,” Long said. Long said that each dorm had about three or four volunteers participate, and students visited 29 of Notre Dame’s 30 residence halls.

The event comes at the beginning of NBC Universal’s Green Week, which will feature sustainability initiatives at Notre Dame and Syracuse during the television broadcast of the football game Saturday.

Sunday, volunteers exchanged light bulbs and performed energy audits in dorms on campus. Long said one of the primary parts of the audit was to check if fluorescent bulbs were functioning properly.

Fans excited as Irish become bowl eligible

By KATIE KOTARAK
News Writer

After two straight losses, Notre Dame fans got a much-needed win when the Irish downed Navy 27-21 in front of over 70,000 at M&T Bank Stadium in Baltimore, Md., Saturday.

Senior Lauren Desrosiers made the 11-hour drive to Baltimore with some friends for the game. Desrosiers described the atmosphere in the stadium as “electric” and had fun cheering on the Irish.

“It was really exciting. We were in the highest row in the end zone and later we were yelling. People left because of the rain, we moved down to be closer to the field,” Desrosiers said. “We sat with some band members who led us in cheers and we even made it onto the Jumbotron,” she said.

Desrosiers, whose father served in the Navy until she was 17, admired the respect between Notre Dame and Navy is real.

“Eventually, we’d like to serve in the Navy until she was 17, admired the respect between Notre Dame and Navy is really impressive,” Desrosiers said.

Saint Mary’s senior and Notre Dame cheerleader, Jenny Antonelli traveled to Baltimore with some friends.

“I think it was a good amount considering that it was a Sunday afternoon,” Soler said. “Everyone there seemed to have a good time so we’re thinking that it’s an indicator for future events.”

Planned for the second event of the year the Student Union Board (SUB) holds its second event of the year Sunday afternoon, and made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and packaged meals for the homeless, FCC president Malcolm Phelan said.

“We thought this was a good combination of a child-boost favorite activity and service toward community,“ Phelan said.

FCC bought supplies to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches from their budget, and FCC members used meals at Grab N’ Go to buy chips and juice boxes. Freshmen then made meals of a sandwich, chips and a juice box, said Phelan.

Freshman Catherine Soler, head of the FCC service committee that organized the event, said that around 315 sandwiches were made.

The meals were given to Hope’s Shelter Men’s Center and The Center for the Homeless, Soler said.

Both Soler and Phelan said that the event was a success and that the freshmen who attended were enthusiastic.

“Both of us really had to basically turn people away at some point because we didn’t have anything else left to do,”” said Soler.

The event was supposed to be two hours long and it ended up we got so many enthusiastic and efficient people that we finished all the supplies within 45 minutes,” Phelan said. “We had to basically turn people away at some point because we didn’t have anything else left to do.”

“The atmosphere of the audience was so good and the energy of the band performing. When Cartel was on stage, the crowd standing in front of the stage was more rowdy, energetically jumping up and down in tandem with the fast-paced strums of electric guitars.

The crowd’s atmosphere changed dramatically when Citizen Cope took the stage as the audience took more to head-banging and foot-tapping rather than crowd surfing.

“We didn’t have anything else to basic all turn people away at some point because we definitely have aren’t limited by supplies because we definitely have manpower we need in the student body,” he said.

Soler said that the FCC service committee has come up with ideas for future events, including a charity concert, an event that freshmen athletes play games

College holds 5K run for children’s hospital

By SARAH MAYER
Sports Writer

In an effort to raise money for their annual Dance Marathon to be held April 4, Saint Mary’s College held a $5 run/mile fun walk called “Trot for Tots.”

The event kicked off Saturday at 9 a.m. with about 60 participants, most of them students.

“Looking at the monetary amount is a great indicator,” Murphy said. “But also as I looked through the registration forms people had indicated various ways in which they heard about it. There was quite a bit of community involvement.”

The event was held to help raise awareness for Dance Marathon in an effort to further its mission, which came about after the event’s goal, she said.

Some may have wondered why the event was held earlier in the year when the weather was warmer, Murphy said. However, the event was held in the spirit of thanksgiving, and so held just before the holiday, she said.

“In my home town, we have huge turkeys for turkey toes and so that is how we angled the date"
Should I stay or should I go?

As soon as I stepped onto campus for a visit during my senior year of high school, I immediately knew I wanted to attend Notre Dame. The school where my grandfather had graduated from 60 years earlier, this University seemed like a magical place to me — the place where I wanted to spend my next four years. I’ll always remember the first time I saw the Golden Dome, and how I thought it was truly the most beautiful building I had ever seen. But soon I will be leaving. It now appears I will only actually spend three and a half years at Notre Dame, as I prepare to study abroad next semester in Innsbruck, Austria. The seven weeks I spent in Germany during the summer of 2006 were the best weeks of my life, and I absolutely cannot wait to leave icy South Bend behind in favor of the snowcapped Alps.

However, my decision to study abroad has led me to reflect on my first year and a half at Notre Dame. For the most part, I have loved it. The friends I have made are some of the best people I will ever know, and I will miss them terribly. But aside from that, I feel that breaking from routine and traveling halfway across the world will help me treasure my time at the University even more. But even some of the things I love most about Notre Dame, from my classes to my job at The Observer to dorm life, have gotten a little stale. The excitement with which I approached everything and anything that had to do with Notre Dame when I was a freshman has been numbed by malaise.

There are aspects of the University that I absolutely despise. While I watched news coverage of other schools around the nation during election night and saw students dancing in the streets with joy, South and North Quad were filled with eerie silence. After growing up in New York City, the utter lack of diversity (this year’s freshman class was only three percent black) can sometimes make me incredibly uncomfortable. The relationship between the University and the South Bend community has grown so bad that students even make jokes about how local police officers are more concerned about basting parties than protecting student safety.

It’s sad for me to admit, but I have become a little jaded about Notre Dame. Please don’t misunderstand me. Every time I look at the Golden Dome I am still filled with the same sense of awe I felt the first time I laid eyes on it, but this time I loathe and am thankful to my parents and incredibly appreciative of this amazing opportunity that has been given to me. I would not trade going here to going to any other university in the world.

However, I feel going abroad will help me appreciate the great things about Notre Dame even more when I return home. For all its faults, I’m sure I will miss this place, but for right now I think it’s time for a break.

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

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**Corrections**

The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and erring for the higher standard of precision is all. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If you have made a mistake, please contact us at obsnews@nd.edu or we can correct our error.

**Inside Column**

**Question of the Day: What’s Your Favorite YouTube Clip?**

- **Jasmine Reed**
  - Sophomore
  - Lyons
  - "Soulja Boy, Barney Remix."

- **Ben Frost**
  - Junior
  - Dillon
  - "The one with the dude dancing."

- **Molly Oelerich**
  - Sophomore
  - P.W.
  - "Charlie bit my finger — it’s really hilarious."

- **Kris Kast**
  - Sophomore
  - Carroll
  - "The grape lady falls — the sounds she makes are hilarious."

- **Julie Hull**
  - Sophomore
  - Leets
  - "Gunther — Crazy Summer Love because of all the fruit."

**Offbeat**

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Bill the Goat, the Navy mascot, patrols the sidelines during Notre Dame's 27-21 victory over the Midshipmen Saturday. The goat pictured, Bill XXXIII, is the 36th goat to serve as the Academy's mascot.

**In Brief**

Zhiqiang Suo, professor of engineering and applied sciences at Harvard University, will present a seminar on the thermodynamics of large deformation in soft active materials Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. The topic has applications in medical devices, robotics, energy harvesting, microfluidics, and oil wells.

G.F. Michelsen will read from his latest novel, Motte, at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Creative Writing Program and is open to the public.

Estampas Portenas, a tango group from Argentina, will dance at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Wednesday at 7 p.m. Tickets are $15 for students and can be purchased online or at the Ticket Office.

This month’s Evenings of Prayer from Around the World will feature Muslim prayer. The service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday in 330 Coleman-Morse. Students of all faith traditions are welcome to come to the Campus Ministry-sponsored event.

The Browsing Cinema at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will show the film "Boy A" at 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday. In the film, a man who committed a terrible crime as a child is released from jail as an adult into a world he has never been part of.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
Nagle: Supreme Court follows Roosevelt’s path

The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday (Nov.12) in favor of the U.S. Navy regarding the use of sonar when it risked harming whales and other mammals. In doing so, according to John C. Nagle, John N. Matthews Professor of Law in the Notre Dame Law School, the court invoked the memory of President Theodore Roosevelt in a novel and significant way. “We are accustomed to hearing Theodore Roosevelt being quoted in favor of environmental conservation,” Nagle said. “We forget that T.R. also served as assistant secretary of the Navy. Chief Justice John G. Roberts invoked that experience in this week’s Supreme Court decision.”

“Roberts quoted T.R.’s statement that ‘the only way in which a man can ever be made efficient is by practice at sea, under all the conditions which would have to be met if war existed. The case that overruled a preliminary injunction that a Los Angeles federal trial judge had issued blocking the naval training exercises off the coast of Southern California pending the completion of further studies of the impact of the training on nearby whales.,”

According to Nagle, “the case reached the Supreme Court in an unusual posture. The court presumed that the Navy had acted illegally by conducting its exercises before completing the environmental studies required by federal law. The remaining question was what to do about it.”

“Federal courts issue injunctions only if, among other things, the harm resulting from the contested act outweighs the benefit of continuing it. Normally that supports injunctive relief in environmental cases because the harm that results is by example, building a dam or paving a road is irreversible and far greater than the economic consequences of a temporary delay. “But the Navy insisted that its exercises were an essential component of its anti-terrorism efforts,” Nagle said, “and the court faulted the trial judge for overlooking those national security concerns. On the other hand, the environmental studies will both proceed, and other courts will work to implement the court’s guidance in the increasingly frequent conflicts between military operations and environmental law. Nagle, the author of Law’s Environment, How Environmental Law Affects the Environment,” teaches, speaks and writes on numerous issues related to environmental law and legislation. He also has received Fulbright Awards to teach on, for example, and property law at the Tsinghua University Law School in Beijing and at Fudan University in Shanghai.

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Citizen Cope played a versatile range of music, said Bolka, performing both with a band and without, with an electric guitar and then an acoustic guitar.

The versatility of Citizen Cope’s music is “groove breaking,” said Bolka.

Towards the end of his performance, the one-man-act of Citizen Cope, Clarence Greenwood, and his band, left the stage, then came back out again to perform his encore solo. He ended with his hits "Son’s Gonna Rise" and "Sidewinders."

Sophomore Dylan Fernandez, who was a bigger fan of Citizen Cope, said that seeing Greenwood perform was a good way to start the weekend.

“I really like the way my man Clarence grooves. He hits you in the face with a real chill vibe,” said Fernandez. Co-programmer of the concert and senior Clint Simkins said that SUB wanted to host a concert that would appeal to the most candy grams are being given to be received by the carb-olators,” he added.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Indonesia under tsunami warning

A powerful Christmas Day earthquake struck waters off eastern Indonesia early Monday, generating tsunami warnings for coastlines within 600 miles of the epicenter.

The U.S. Geological Survey put the quake’s magnitude at 7.5 and said it struck 13 miles beneath the sea. It was centered 54 miles from Gorontalo, a coastal town on Sulawesi Island.

Fridaswati, the local geological agency who goes by only one name, put the magnitude at 7.7. He did not have any immediate report on injuries.

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center said the quake had the potential to generate a destructive tsunami along coasts within 600 miles of the epicenter.

Four killed in Gaza City airstrike

Gaza City, Gaza Strip — An airstrike killed four Palestinians as they were firing mortars at Israeli soldiers, the latest in a surge of clashes that have rocked a 5-month-old truce between Israel and Gaza’s militant Hamas rulers.

In a separate incident, Palestinian rocket fire injured one Israeli. Both sides say they would like to preserve the truce, but have their doubts.

Man rides across US on horseback

Mark Ryan stopped at Zeb Bell’s ranch outside Arches National Park and two other redrock national parks in Utah: Dinosaur and Canyonlands.

It’s also among the best in exercise and development.

The U.S. Geological Survey put the quake’s preliminary magnitude at 7.5 and 600 miles of the epicenter.

JAKARTA, Indonesia — A powerful earthquake hit off the Indonesian island of Sumatra on Christmas Day, sparking tsunami warnings across the region.

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BLM auctions off drilling platforms

The National Park Service’s top official in the state calls it “shocking and disturbing” and says his agency wasn’t properly notified. Environmentalists call it a “free giveaway” for the oil and gas industry by a departing administration.

However, the BLM didn’t promise to pull any parcels from the sale, and in an interview after the supposed truce, BLM state director Selma Sierra was defiant, saying she saw nothing wrong with drilling near national parks.

LOCAL NEWS

LaPorte to cut back on Christmas lights

LaPorte, Ind. — The city of LaPorte says it won’t have Christmas lights next year. But with violence escalating over the past two weeks, the cease-fire appears to be unraveling.

Tens of thousands of residents have evacuated their homes in the valley, Santa Barbara County and along the Orange-Riverside county line. For millions of others, major freeways were shot down and the prospect of blackouts hung in the air like the smoke.

No deaths were reportd, but the Los Angeles police chief said he feared authorities might find bodies in the desolated mobile home park, which housed many senior citizens. Crews were waiting for the ground to cool before bringing in search dogs.

The series of fires have injured at least 20 people and destroyed hundreds of homes from coastal Santa Barbara to inland Riverside County, on the other side of the heavily populated Los Angeles area.

A blaze that ravaged the Sylmar community in the hillsides above Los Angeles’ San Fernando Valley grew to more than 12 square miles and was only 20 percent contained Saturday.

It sent residents fleeing the dark Saturday morning as it torched cars, horse-drawn and much of the mobile home park.

The blaze, whose cause was under investigation, threatened at least 1,900 structures, city Fire Department spokesman Melissa Kelley said. A burned resident was in serious condition, and four firefighters were treated for minor injuries.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a state of emergency in Los Angeles and Orange and Riverside counties. Fire officials estimated that its peak, 10,000 people were under orders to evacuate.

Los Angeles battles three wildfires

500 homes in Orange County, San Fernando Valley totally destroyed

Associated Press

BLM auctioned off drilling platforms

Associated Press

Top aides to Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne stepped into the fray, ordering the sister agencies to make amendments. His press secretary, Shane Wayne, said The Associated Press that deputy Interior Secretary Lynn Scarlett “resolved the dispute within 24 hours” last week.

A compromise ordered by the Interior Department requires the BLM to “take quite seriously the Park Service’s objections,” said Wolfe.

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Chinese students on the rise in U.S.

Associated Press

COLUMBUS — Chinese students are enrolling in U.S. universities in record numbers, with aggressive recruiting combined with a weak dollar fueling a surge in enrollments of graduate and undergraduate students.

Enrollment of Chinese students increased 300 percent this year at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania, according to Associate Professor David Blumenthal, a history department official. Students choosing to study in U.S. universities has allowed them to circumvent expensive and growing middle-class tuition.

Chinese enrollment grew by 8 percent in the fall of 2006 and by 20 percent last year, according to the Institute of International Education figure.

Individual universities surveyed by The Associated Press report enrollment gains of 25 percent, putting the country at 624,000. The Associated Press, which enrolls more than 200 students from China, reported a 7 percent increase.

Xioli Lin, an Ohio State freshman, said Chinese students offer solid academics but can't compete with the experience of an American college education. "They offer opportunities for out-of-class activities, an open learning environment," Lin said.

"In China you can seldom find people from the U.S., but in the U.S. you find people from all over the world," Lin said.

The influx is part of a solid and welcomed rebound in the number of Chinese students coming to the United States, a result of a pool of 4,000 colleges and universities.

A survey of international students had dropped alarmingly due to competition from other countries, but China has launched new visa procedures after the September 2001 terror attacks. But the latest IIE report finds 7 percent more students at U.S. universities than a year ago, at an all-time high of 624,000.

Industries sent the most students, followed by China and South Korea. Enrollment from Saudi Arabia jumped 25 percent, putting the country on top for the first time since 1982, when the now Saudi government scholarship program.

A snapshot survey the institute did of campuses this fall found that 55 percent of students from China, the majority are graduate and undergraduate students from China, the majority are graduate and undergraduate students.

The misconceptions have finally been laid to rest — they're not all about the money, said Peggy Blumenthal, IIE's chief operations officer. "They're looking for a better education, because there's no reason to believe they'll have any more trouble than they would have back home, that's just more important."
Market Recap

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Business

**Auto bailout showdown imminent**

Democrats pledge to help struggling companies, but need GOP support to pass bill

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hardline opponents of an auto industry bailout are looking for President Barack Obama to take the lead in persuading reluctant colleagues on Capitol Hill that it is time to act.

The companies are seeking $25 billion from the financial industry bailout for emergency loans, which would help them avoid bankruptcy and their creditors. But they have been told they need to show that they can pay their bills on their own.

Obama and his team are planning to hold a series of meetings this week with Democratic and Republican leaders to try to break the impasse.

The companies are seeking to use the financial industry bailout as a way to stabilize their businesses and avoid bankruptcy.

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Obama plans for financial overhaul

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Barack Obama Isn't president yet, but his must-do list just got longer.

The president-elect's challenge is to lead the overhaul of the country's struggling auto industry, and he has a lot of work to do.

Obama has sent a team of aides to Detroit to develop a plan for the auto industry, and he is expected to announce details of the plan in the coming days.

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When I received my B.A. in 2006, I was told by the president of my university that my degree was a ticket to "the fellowship of educated men and women," and similar sentiments are replicated in a commendation ceremony across the country. Yet these celebrations of learning and personal accomplishment also mark an end for many of those newly-minted bachelor's in arts and sciences...


Lack of acceptance
an issue of ignorance

Yesterday, I was shocked and saddened by Colin Keefe's article entitled "Learning to laugh," Nov. 12, of what is considered an acceptable subject to "poke fun at." Colin, acceptable topics to poke fun at are that you are "elated" when SU is showing a certain movie or that you actually use the phrase "I hate to break the news." You see, Colin, I can make fun of you, because you can choose to respond and defend yourself. In addition to your capability of responding, no matter how weakly, you can also understand the humor that I am aiming at. People with special needs can neither defend themselves, nor even understand the jokes. I have a sense of human dignity.

As Soeren Palumbo pointed out in his letter on Nov. 7 ("Lessons from a beloved sister"). our treatment of people with intellectual disabilities is "one of the greatest remaining barriers of ignorance and hatred left in our society." Tropic Thunder's hurtful representation of "Simple Jack" is not a noble or productive satire; it only reinforces the social acceptance of casually monkeying around with the mentally handicapped. It is full of self reference, and "One upon a time... there was a retard..." into context does not remove the painful sting of such a crude inside. Parallels cannot be drawn between the way "Tropic Thunder" abuses people with special needs and the way "Legally Blonde" pokes fun at a stereotypical dumb blonde because when you make a joke at the expense of a little girl with Downs Syndrome, she is not laughing with you, you are laughing at her directly. People with special needs do not participate in these jokes and they aren't given an opportunity to defend themselves. These jokes feed our very serious social problem of an entirely restricted view of people with special needs, seeing only their handicaps while ignoring their extraordinary blessings, like a capacity to love wholly and purely, by which they far surpass you and me.

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Tropic Thunder" a satire

In the Nov. 14 issue of The Observer, Two Letters to the Editor by Lindsey McMahan and Meghah Keeler ("Learn to laugh") discuss the issue of insensitive towards the mentally handicapped in the movie "Tropic Thunder," highlighting the inability of the handicapped to defend themselves and the use of hate words respectively as reasons for the censorship of the film. Personally respect their strong conviction, as the intent behind their words shows a desire for justice and equality. However, I cannot help but disagree on their methods. Whenever controversy overcomes a piece of media, whether it be the literature, television or film, it is often a good idea to consider the overall intent and theme of the work. In "Tropic Thunder," the purpose of the film is not, as Keeler and McMahan suggest, to denigrate and disparage the mentally handicapped, but to lampoon the outrageousness of the film industry. The portrayal of the mentally handicapped is used mainly in the context of the faux film "Simple Jack," ridiculing such stars as Tom Hanks and Dustin Hoffman for using roles portraying mentally handicapped characters as well as "prey". Therefore, I wasn't as obvious before "Tropic Thunder" is, without a doubt, a satire. The production of a satire is generally used as an attack on something which the creator disagrees strongly with, in this case, something is the film industry, and more specifically, the use of roles by big name actors which inspire compassion simply as a medium for satire. Satire exaggerates or parodies as two of its main weapons to confront the inherent ridiculousness of its subject.

The portrayal of the mentally handicapped within the context of the movie industry is exaggerated and parodied to an enormous extent; so much so, in fact, that it inspires the outrage of many like Keeler and McMahan to perform in part. The attack of "Tropic Thunder" on the established methods of the film industry is well made and, if it had been hit harder. Even if you completely disagree with all that it stands for and cannot see the brilliance, humor and elegance of the satire, you will at least attempt to learn to love it. Colin, I can understand the humor that I am aiming at. People with special needs can neither defend themselves, nor even understand the jokes. I have a sense of human dignity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Learn to love

This summer, Ben Stiller's "Tropic Thunder," which satirizes actors who take themselves too seriously, sparked a nation-wide controversy for its jokes mocking those with disabilities. The creators of the movie predicted that they might be into hot water with the character of Robert Downey Jr., so they previewed the movie with members of the NAACP and other test audiences. It did not even occur to them to screen the movie before groups advocating for the disabled—as well as massively ignored—population of people with special needs. In fact, they were entirely surprised by the above groups' adverse reaction. This lack of foresight epitomizes the ignorance on display throughout this film. The satire fails and people who love and respect their friends with special needs feel violently offended and terrified that the ones they love will suffer these "jokes." And it is not those with disabilities encounter. "Well, you do, and saying "no offense" try is well crafted, unique in its main concept and, if it matters, hilarious.

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Support women's soccer

Students of Notre Dame: You come out in the thousands for our football; you pack the seats and bleachers at the ACC Tournament, and last year, you even fanned your support to the increasingly exciting Frozen Four hockey team. Well, Notre Dame, now I invite you to expand your fandom once more to include our No. 1 Women's Soccer team—a team that has been a part of the Notre Dame student body for many years. As the No. 1 seed, they faced a Toledo team who came in as a heavy underdog despite having just four losses. "The girls, we've got nothing to lose," I heard one of the Toledo players say. Well, the only thing the Rockets lost that night was their season, and their hopes were crushed early as the Irish went up 3-0 just 17 minutes into the game and hit 22 shots while allowing just four in the first half. But sadly, there were maybe as many Toledo fans there as Irish fans and that is unacceptable.

As the Irish make their run, throw your support behind them. Even if they do not get another game on campus, they still need our support. The reign of terror of the Notre Dame student body. As the No. 1 seed, they faced a Toledo team who came in as a heavy underdog despite having just four losses. "The girls, we've got nothing to lose," I heard one of the Toledo players say. Well, the only thing the Rockets lost that night was their season, and their hopes were crushed early as the Irish went up 3-0 just 17 minutes into the game and hit 22 shots while allowing just four in the first half. But sadly, there were maybe as many Toledo fans there as Irish fans and that is unacceptable.

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The festival's second writer, Galchen, is a Canadian-American author who currently teaches at Columbia University. Galchen received an M.D. from Mount Sinai before switching professions, according to the Los Angeles Times. She has also been published in the New York Times and The New Yorker, among other publications. Galchen is best known for her novel "Atmospheric Disturbances," which was published in April 2008. Her 2001 short story collection, 2001's "Rabe in Paradise," won the Grand Jury Prize at the 1984 Sundance Film Festival. She has published several short stories in "The New Yorker," as well as a short story collection, 2001's "Rabe in Paradise." Galchen is being profiled in her work's cultural impact and also a history of nerdy people.

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Ben Nugent
Nugent, a native of Amherst, Massachusetts, is a journalist and essayist. His work has appeared in *Time*, *GQ* and *New York Times* magazine, among others. His recent work, "American Nerd: The Story of My People," was "one of the season's most talked-about cultural studies" according to the Los Angeles Times. He has also written a biography of late musician Elliott Smith, and was the original keyboardist for a Brooklyn-based indie band called The Cloud Room. Nugent spoke at the Festival on November 4th.

Marisa Silver
Silver is a native of Shaker Heights, Ohio, the daughter of a pair of film directors. She is an author, director and screenplay writer. While still in college, Silver directed her first film, "Old Enough," which won the Grand Jury Prize at the 1984 Sundance Film Festival. She has published several short stories in "The New Yorker," as well as a short story collection, 2001's "Rabe in Paradise." Silver's most recent novel is "The God of War," which was published this past spring. Silver spoke at Notre Dame on Nov. 12.

Rivka Galchen
Galchen is a Canadian-American author who currently teaches at Columbia University. An English major as an undergrad, Galchen first received an M.D. from Mount Sinai before completing an M.F.A. at Columbia. In 2006, she received the Rona Jaffe Foundation Writers' Award for women writers. She's best known for her novel "Atmospheric Disturbances," the story of a professor at a fictional university with the same name as her father, Tzvi Gal-Chen. As of last month, the novel had been named as a finalist for several prizes, including the Governor General's Award. She has also been published in the New York Times and The New Yorker.

Aleksandar Hemon
Hemon is the final author to appear at the 2008 ND Literary Festival. His best-known book, "American Nerd: The Story of My People," was "one of the season's most talked-about cultural studies" according to the Los Angeles Times. He has also written a biography of late musician Elliott Smith, and was the original keyboardist for a Brooklyn-based indie band called The Cloud Room. Nugent spoke at the Festival on November 4th.

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The game defied expectations — the Irish held Navy, who ranked second in the nation with 308 yards per game rushing, to 178 yards on the ground. Notre Dame, by contrast, rushed for 230 yards.

Receiver Michael Floyd left the game during the first possession because of a knee injury, and linebacker Brian Smith left when a Navy lineman chop-blocked him, injuring his knee as well. Cornerback Terrail Lambert missed the game as well because he rolled his ankle in practice Thursday, Weis said.

When one Smith left, another took his place in a seamless transition — Toryan Smith led the defense with 10 tackles.

Glaeson completed 15 of his 19 passes for 110 yards with two interceptions and a fumble, passing efficiently but failing to drive the offense.

The offense struggled early, but the Irish scored first when special teams player Mike Aurio blocked a Navy punt. The ball ricocheted upfield and fell into the hands of Toryan Smith, who returned it 14 yards to the 1-yard line.

Weis said part of his decision was based on the lack of Navy's defense, a soft Cover-2 zone where the safeties played far off the line of scrimmage and the defense only rushed three men at times.

"We went to dink and dunk and ran the ball," Weis said, who resumed play-calling duties this week. "That was a little bit dictated by the soft cover two that they were playing with."

Navy dominated the third quarter. The defense forced three punts and the offense put together two touchdown drives and started another that led to a field goal. The rushing game caught fire in the quarter, and Armando Allen ran for 31 yards on the first drive, including an 11-yard touchdown that gave the Irish a 17-7 lead.

Then it was James Aldridge's turn, who moved the ball to the Navy 21-yard line, but a pass to Algirdus resulted in a loss of seven yards. Clausen completed a pass over the middle to receiver Robby Parris to set up a 36-yard field goal from Walker, and the Irish led 27-7 with 5:02 remaining in the game. Algirdus rushed for 30 yards on the drive.

After a turnover on downs, freshman running back Jonas Gray got a chance to run the ball. He helped the Irish get a first-and-goal on the Midshipmen two-yard line, but fumbled, and Navy recovered. The Irish forced a Navy punt, but turned the ball over on downs themselves, leading to Navy's near-comeback.

"(Gray's) one tackle I wish that's not the way it turned out," Weis said. "It made the game a lot more exciting than it needed to be."

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Irish still lack killer instinct

Notre Dame's 27-21 win in Baltimore Saturday.

Baltimore — For those of you too busy saying Rosaries thanking the Virgin Mother for not letting her school lose to Navy again, here's a quick recap of a game you may have missed.

By Jay Fitzpatrick
Managing Editor

"I think that (Charlie Jr.) said two words and it was like "Thank God' or something like that."

Charlie Weis
Irish coach

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Now I told you that story to tell you this one.

With 9:07 left in Saturday's game against Navy, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis sends back out the offense.

Weis said after the game that he felt his team should have been able to score with first-and-goal on the two, but the fact of the matter is they couldn't.

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The number of first downs Navy gained during the first quarter. The Midshipmen totaled 21 yards on 12 plays in the period.

Navy's time of possession Saturday, its lowest number since Oct. 22, 2005, against Rice.

24:27 Jimmy Clausen's rank among Notre Dame's passing yardage leaders. He has now thrown for 3,951 yards in his career.

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This game featured bizarre football. Navy, statistically the second-best rushing team in the nation coming into the game, sputtered on the ground. The Midshipmen only rushed for 178 yards, 130 yards below their season average. Neither Jarod Bryant or Ricky Dobbs lead the option offense effectively at quarterback.

Notre Dame, on the other hand, rushed for 230 yards (114 more than Navy) and left the rush and short passes in the flat, over the middle (on average), averaged 4.5 yards per carry and spread those yards between its three running backs.

Irish coach Charlie Weis decided at halftime that the game, which had not accomplished much in the first half, needed a change. He said he was watching Navy’s previous games and thought Navy would use a coverage similar to the Cover-2 zone that took away deep passes for the quarterback.

Neither Jarod Bryant or Ricky Dobbs got going: In the first half, we were trying to throw the ball down the field, but they were playing a soft shell and dropping eight to 10 times and there weren’t very many windows,” Weis said. “I came in at halftime and told them we were going to spread it out and we were going to run the ball until I get sick of running it.”

Weis got tired of running it. The Irish gained 20.5 yards on the ground in the second half.

“It was great,” said running back Armando Allen, who finished with eight carries for 60 yards and a touchdown. “We practice with each other every day so we know that we can do it, but to go out there and perform was just amazing.”

Allen got his share of the carries in the beginning of the third quarter, accounting for 44 yards of Notre Dame’s final scoring drive, including an 11-yard touchdown run through a huge hole on the right side of the field.

“We just come from halftime and the coaches say we’re going to run the ball. Allen said. “I haven’t had an opportunity to run the ball as good as we know we can so we’re going there and run the ball and be on the same page is great.”

Allen also caught seven passes for 60 yards and played a large role in the “dink-and-dunk” passing game. Weis ran in the second half. The offense ran short passes in the flat, over the middle or behind a screen, and Allen took a couple of those screen passes for first down.

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Armando Allen
Irish running back

“Whenever you can get everybody in the rotation and get going in the run game is great.”

James Aldridge, who led the team in carries and yards (16 for 86) rushed six times for 30 yards on Notre Dame’s final scoring drive.

Near the end of the game, Weis decided to give freshman running back Jonas Gray a chance to carry the ball. Gray rushed for 16 yards on seven carries and had a chance to punch the ball in from the two-yard line but fumbled.

“It’s 27-7, we got the ball on the two-yard line, first and goal, and I think we should expect to score,” Weis said. “When you don’t get some guys an opportunity to carry the ball in pressure situations, you can’t make a judgment on coaches on where you are with them. I think that in that situation right there I would have liked to see us run it in with the guys we had in there.”

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Navy was supposed to be the team with the dominating rushing attack, but somebody must have forgotten to tell Notre Dame. The Irish rushed for 240 yards while holding the Midshipmen to 178, 130 yards under their season average. Notre Dame never trailed despite a lackluster performance from quarterback Jimmy Clausen that included three of the team’s five turnovers. The Irish struck first when Mike Anello blocked a first-quarter punt and Toryan Smith scooped it up for a touchdown. After Navy tied the game 7-7, Brandon Walker gave the Irish a 10-7 lead with a field goal as time expired in the first half. Then the Notre Dame running back trio of Armando Allen, Robert Hughes and James Aldridge took over as Allen and Hughes punched in scores on consecutive third-quarter drives to give Notre Dame a 24-7 lead. Walker added a field goal to make it 27-7 with five minutes to play, and with most of the Irish starters on the sideline, the game looked to be well in hand. But Navy scored a pair of touchdowns to cut the lead to 27-21, and Notre Dame needed a last-minute defensive stand to stop what would have been a shocking comeback by the Midshipmen.
Many of you have, no doubt, seen trailers for a new superhero movie. The trailer looks fairly generic, filled with CGI-style effects and a plethora of unknown actors. Though the marketing teams seem confused with the film's direction, the many fans of its source material are counting down the days until it appears at the local Cinéplex. "Watchmen" has been a hit with all types of nerds, geeks and dorks, and like everything they have come to love, it will soon be as mainstream as every other superhero has become in these last few summers. The story centers on costumed crime fighters who, with one exception, have no special powers. Surprisingly, they are completely human.

The story is filled with betrayals, hubris, omnipotent cynics, good, evil and the confusion in between. Taking place during the Cold War, the story of "Watchmen" begins with the murder of a former caped crusader and doesn't slow down.

The film is based on a graphic novel, originally 12 comic book size chapters — yes, 12, like a watch, there's plenty of symbolism for you. Filled with quotes and quotable moments, references and allusions, it is a virtual time capsule of the 1980s. The characters, too, are worth mention, with most portrayed as morally ambiguous and all being character studies of quality.

Man Moore, the creator of "Watchmen," has also written the original works on which films such as "V for Vendetta," and "From Hell" have been based. He has often been a critic of the movie industry's take on graphic novels, firmly believing that since he created "Watchmen" as a comic, then it should remain as one. Never has he given a green light to make film versions of his creations, but he has said that the screenplay for the upcoming "Watchmen" film is the closest he could imagine a screenplay adaptation could come.

With its captivating and memorable visuals, the graphic novel has often been called a cinematic work, yet must have considered the text to be unfilmable.

Directors such as David Hayter and Darren Aronofsky have been trying since 1986 to cinematically interpret the novel, and the ultimate product is set to emerge this March.

There are many reasons why this film has potential; being called the "Citizen Kane" of comic books is a good place to start.

"Watchmen" is the only comic book to be on Time magazine's list of the 100 best English language novels (from 1923 onwards). It has won the Hugo award and garnered universal critical acclaim.

From a film perspective, "Watchmen" has another thing going for it — it's not unlike another comic book film that came out this summer, one that was based on a popular graphic novel.

Though the other film had an all-star cast and much more name recognition, "Watchmen" and "The Dark Knight" both spring from the same creative vein.

There are only so many ways to inspire interest in a film that's not due to be released until next spring, and it would be difficult to mention more without giving valuable information away. Rewatch the trailer, read the graphic novel, convince your friends, and go see the movie. One of these four will no doubt be enlightening to some degree, and might even be fun.

Moore's graphic novel has been around for over twenty years, and will no doubt be influential in various media for decades to come.

The original text may be called a seminal work, but it will only matter in March of 2009 when we find out who Jeffrey Dean Morgan ("Grey's Anatomy") is set to star as the Comedian in 2009's "Watchmen." The film is an adaptation of a graphic novel.

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Eagles-Bengals contest ends in NFL's first tie since 2002

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Steelers win bizarre game

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — There has never been a game like this in NFL history. The bizarre 11-10 final score was a fitting end for the Chargers who still haven't had the regular-season finish they want in Pittsburgh: a winning one.

Ben Roethlisberger stayed away from the mistakes that cost the Steelers their previous two home games, Willie Parker ran for 115 yards and Jeff Reed's field goal won it — a 32-yarder with 11 seconds remaining — as Pittsburgh called to boas the Chargers on a snowy Sunday. The first such score in 12,417 NFL games was in jeopardy when Troy Polamalu returned an errant lateral 12 yards for an apparent touchdown on the final play. The play was overturned on review — it was called an illegal forward pass — and the 11-10 final was restored.

After the game, referee Scott Green said the officials realized afterward the touchdown should have counted, although it wouldn't have affected the result.

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**Irish lose to St. John's, beat UConn in five sets**

By SAM WERNER  Sport Writer

Two days after a close five-set loss to Big East leader St. John's, the Irish pulled off a nail-biting win of their own, downing Connecticut 3-2.

Friday night against the Red Storm (6-1, 8-2 Big East), the Irish 14-13, 9-25 received a balanced offensive effort in the 25-17, 18-25, 16-25, 25-19, 16-14 defeat, with four players tallying more than 10 kills. Junior outside hitter Valerie Kovalova paced the Irish with 14 kills, and senior middle blocker Justine Streimiek led the team with a .455 hitting percentage.

After St. John's won the first set, courtesy of a 10-0 run at one point, the Irish rebounded in the second set with a .029 average in second set, courtesy of a 10-0 run at one point, the Irish rebounded to their own. Notre Dame won the match 25-28, 25-21, 20-25, 25-23, 15-11.

Streimiek and freshman Kristen Dealy led the way over Connecticut, with the duo posting 17 and 16 kills, respectively. After Connecticut claimed a back-and-forth first game, the Irish responded with a strong defensive showing in the second game, posting five team blocks. "Just that heart and that desire to not let anything hit the floor is really important," Notre Dame coach Debbie Brown said.

Dealy led the Irish offensively in the first two games, notching 11 kills for a .500 hitting percentage. "After game two in the locker room, [Kristen] was really the only positive offensive weapon that we had," Brown said. "We really needed to find a way to get some other people involved.

Streimiek certainly stepped up to the call. The Langdon, N.D. native posted 12 kills in the third, fourth, and fifth sets.

The Irish struggled offensively in the third set, posting a paltry .026 hitting percentage, but rebounded to edge the Huskies in the fourth game. With the score tied 21-21, Streimiek shouldered the load and posted two kills and two blocks to force a deciding set.

"I think Justine absolutely picked it up in the fourth game, and she was the difference in the fourth game," Brown said. "And then we carried that momentum into the fifth game, so that was really good to see.

In the fifth, the Huskies jumped out to a 9-5 lead when Streimiek and freshman全面clips for us today. We were not playing real well and I just tried to stay positive with them and encourage them and just reminded them that there was nothing Connecticut was doing that was taking us by surprise. It was just a matter of us picking up the execution in the little things.

The Irish bailed out of the timeout and, led by two Stremick kills, claimed 10 of the next 12 points to take the match.

"We just had this Do not let anything hit the ground mentality," Streimiek said. "We were scrapping. It wasn't pretty. That's what separates a good team from a great team. If you're in a tight crunch, you need to find a way to win. It doesn't matter how pretty it is."

After the match, Brown said she was happy with the win, even though her team did not play up to potential. "To win a match and hit 13 percent, that's some ugly volleyball," she said.

The win sets up a rematch with the Huskies next weekend in the first round of the Big East tournament in Pittsburgh. Brown said as long as the offense played as well as it could, she was confident the team could beat Connecticut again.

"We think that's why we're excited for the challenge," Brown said.

"I think it's huge, just going into the Big East tournament," Brown said. "We felt good about how we played on Friday, obviously not happy with the loss, but we know that we played really hard and to come back and not play as well but find a way to win is important. We have momentum going into the Big East tournament, and it's our goal to win that. I mean we will not be happy with anything less than that. We've got a tough week ahead of us, but we're excited for the challenge.

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Another Solomon free throw the rest of the second half. The Irish led for the defense and displayed a positive despite the loss. The Irish also had their chances in the second half. LSU went 0-for-4 from behind the arc, but the last seven minutes were as good as we had in the first half. South Florida was only too happy to take advantage.

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Waldrum said, "Every minute you see tick down, you get closer. We had to do this in closer." Luckily I don't think we panicked at all on the field but we were some anxiety on the sideline. The win kept Notre Dame's undefeated season alive and brought the team's overall record to 23-0.

"Good teams find a way to win, whether it's in the first five minutes or the last second of the game," Irish sophomore forward Kerri Hanks said. "But I think we have a good chance to be there in the end."

Augustin's goal was her third of the season after she netted a pair in Notre Dame's 2-0 win over Toledo Friday.

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him have success."

Missella added another goal in Saturday's win to bring his season total to three through 11 games.

After a slow start to the first period on Saturday, Notre Dame finished the weekend series with a little more authority, with three unanswered goals in the final two minutes.

"To be able to bounce back tonight, especially after the mediocrity first period we had, was just huge for us," said senior center Hannah Sisson. "Hanson assisted on two of the three late goals, including Riddlerwall's goal, which sealed the game with about three minutes remaining."

Irish defenseman Brett Blatchford, working with a 5-3 advantage, started the play with a shot towards the net, which Hanson deflected to Riddlerwall to finish.

"I saw Hanson's stick, he's a big body in front, so I was just shooting for his stick trying to get a tip. He didn't tip it on goal but he made a real nice play to tip it to Calle back door," Blatchford said.

Senior captain Erik Condra, sophomore Teddy Ruth and Miday also scored on the night to round out an impressive 5-2 win.

"It was a good night all around and hopefully we can have a good week of practice and come out and do the same thing next Friday," Jackson said.

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Zeller chipped in 18 points. With our group, it's kind of like, 'How are they gonna play us?'" Brey said. "Because we have played a lot of offensive weapons."

Hanagody made a layup before senior co-captain Ryan Ayers picked up a steal and finished the play with a dunk. Ayers hit a contested jump shot on Notre Dame's next possession to give the Irish a 31-23 lead at the end of the first half.

To the delight of the Joyce Center crowd, Notre Dame had a slow of dunks in the second half. Ayers, Hanagody, sophomore Zach Hilleshagen and sophomore Carleton Scott each threw down at least one as the Irish sealed the victory.

**Jackson**

"I was more moving (the ball), but I was focused on getting 20 points so I was just like, 'You know, what, take it off,'" Hans said. "This could've been a different team and I don't want to know, I knew that I did my rehab earlier in the week so the knee should be strong whether I played with (the brace) or without it."

Augustin had one of Notre Dame's best chances in the second half, minutes before the game-winner. Sunday. She carried the ball on a break away before shooting it on a sliding defense. Despite the miss, Augustin said she had her best game of the season.

"When I missed I knew we would have more opportunity," she said. "I don't think I'd get another one so I just tried to find it at the rim."

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**Jackson**

"I look at it as a great test for Bobby Clark Irish coach Augustin's goal was her second of the day, but it wasn't a classic build-up or anything."

The Irish now return home to the Metrodome for two games tonight between 6 and 6:30.

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the defense and displayed a good game against USC Upstate."

"When she came in we were already down a bit," McGraw said. "She rebounded, blocked shots, got some steals, she did a little bit of everything." She changed the game when she came in.

After Barlow helped pull the team ahead, the Irish led for the rest of the second half. Another momentum-free throw gave Notre Dame a 39-30 lead with 15:04 remaining. Courtney Jones made a layup, and then with 14:25 left, she stole the ball from Barlow and made another layup to pull the deficit closer to 10. But a Schrader layup, a Pacers jump shot and a free throw from forward Becca Bruzsewski started the spurt when he took a pass from Hansen on a fast break and made a layup while getting fouled. He knocked down the ensuing free throw to give the Irish a 39-31 edge.

On USC Upstate's last possession of the first half, Notre Dame's man-defense forced Spartans guard Josh Chavis to travel and the Irish got the ball turned over 5-2, but then Hansen assisted on a Zeller make and Hansen chipped in 18 points.

After Brey called a time-out, Irish point guard Tony Jackson streaked up the left side of the court before finding Zeller for an open 3-point attempt. Zeller knocked down the trey as the buzzer sounded to give Notre Dame a 44-33 edge at halftime.

"That's just huge at the end of the first half, it's right there," Brey said. "We did a real good job — Tony did a good job — of getting in there and finding him and go in at halftime and he's important."

And the Irish didn't let up after the break. The team came out of the gates scoring the first seven points of the period. Hanagody made a layup before senior co-captain Ryan Ayers picked up a steal and finished the play with a dunk. Ayers hit a contested jump shot on Notre Dame's next possession to give the Irish a 31-23 lead at the end of the first half.

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**Horoscope**

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**CANCER** (June 22-July 22): A capability you have to navigate other's will you still have at the end. Love is looking good and the opportunity to spend some quality time with someone special could be put into play. The more you make a decision, the more you will happen.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Get involved in a vanity that take your mind off worries and keep your heart and spirit of spirit. Don't argue with someone you love or care about. Children may play a key role in your outlook and attitude.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A change of scenery and renovation will give you a new outlook on your life and some might offer you a chance to understand your needs and goals. Love is looking good and an opportunity to form a close bond with someone special is evident.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't give in to bullying. You have to feel comfortable in order to accomplish. Use your own creative ideas and consider ways that you can change your position by putting some of your talents to work for you. 2 stars.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Things are opening up for you. Ask questions, follow through with your plans and don't forget to take a unique approach. By following your daring, that will make you happy and you will get ahead in the end. Love will teach you a lesson. 5 stars.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have a great heart but don't give in to emotional blackmail. You have to be much yourself before you can get your relationships. Research about the way you can win your partner's attention in a new direction. 3 stars.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make the person your best and don't give it to an emotional blackmail. You have to be much yourself before you can get your relationships. Research about the way you can win your partner's attention in a new direction. 3 stars.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Think about where you can spend more time online and make it more meaningful for yourself. Whether it's a new relationship or not, there's a great opportunity to do what you want. Love will teach you a lesson. 5 stars.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): You can charge up the game with new information and make the connection. By following the facts and revelations you can go where you want to go. Love will teach you a lesson. 5 stars.

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**HOCKEY**

It takes a shootout, but Notre Dame sweeps Lakers at home

By DAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

No. 9 Notre Dame won its first ever home sudden death shootout Friday night and finished a sweep of Lake Superior State with a 2-1 win the second half to extend its winning streak to six games.

"Since we lost to Miami a few weeks ago, we really wanted to bounce back and pick up some points in the league here. That really matters, " sophomore Caffe Flierterwall said.

The Irish dropped a pair of games to Miami on Oct. 24 and 25, the last time they were in South Bend, but they haven't lost a game since.

Flierterwall was first to shoot for the Irish. He deked to his backhand, weaved across the crease and lifted a shot over Lake Superior's Brian Mahoney-Wilson.

"I pretty much had the whole move planned out and luckily it worked out. I've been practicing that move for a long time," he said.

Junior wing Nathan Perkovich had a chance to force another round for Lake Superior, but Pearce handled it very well.

"I was happy for him, it's good to see that line probably generating as many scoring chances as any of our lines tonight because they executed the game plan," Jackson said.

Guentzel's goal came just over a minute after Lake Superior had taken the lead on a shot from senior Josh Situ.

Ben Ryan and Christiana Minella also added goals for the Irish earlier in the game.

" Financing's playing with a lot of confidence right now. The game was big and strong along the walls. He can be an effective player for us," Jackson said. "I'm happy for him, it's good to see.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sweet victory

Augustin puts home game-winning goal, sends team to Sweet 16

By FRAN TOLAN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame's dream season seemed to hang in the balance for much of the team's NCAA Tournament second-round game against Michigan State Sunday. But Rose Augustine ended the suspense just under 10 minutes left in the contest.

The sophomore midfielder beat Michigan State goalie Jill Filestra and deposited a low shot in the right corner of the net in the 73rd minute of play, giving the Irish a 1-0 win. The Notre Dame sideline erupted as the team was able to convert an opportunity after a slew of near misses.

"That was great that we were able to get that one. I think that's why you have such emotion," Irish coach Randy Minella said.

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Barlow, Peters succeed against LSU defense

By BILL BRINK
Sports Editor

Ashley Barlow scored 19 points, Lindsay Schrader scored 13 and No. 16 Notre Dame beat No. 24 LSU 62-53 in Baton Rouge, La. Sunday.

Barlow, a junior guard, hit two 3-pointers and two free throws in the first four minutes of the second half to give Notre Dame a 36-28 lead. The teams were tied 24 at the half when Notre Dame went on a 13-2 run.

"In the first half we were reluctant to shoot," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said in a telephone interview. "We needed to stretch the defense. We talked about shooting more in the second half. She took advice well. She came out and looked for her shot."

Sophomore forward Devereaux Peters, in her first game back since tearing her anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) in February, shot 6-for-7 from the field and scored 12 points. She also had six rebounds, three steals and three blocks.

"She played a great game," McGraw said. "I thought she was the key to the game for us."

McGraw said Peters helped send PETERS/page 18

MEN'S SOCCER

Squad falls in quarterfinals

No. 9 Notre Dame waits today for seed in NCAA Tournament

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

If No. 9 Notre Dame wants to advance to the program's first ever Final Four, it's going to have to do it the hard way. The Irish's second-half goals propelled No. 8 South Florida to a 2-1 win over the Irish in the Big East tournament semifinals played this weekend at the Bulls' home field in Tampa. The loss left Notre Dame wondering what it might have lost in terms of NCAA seed.

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Zeller has career high in victory

By FRAN TOLAN
Associate Sports Editor

No. 9 Notre Dame bookended halftime with two big runs and used those spurts to secure a 94-58 victory over USC Upstate Sunday.

The Irish went on a 10-2 run to end the first half then came out of the locker room with seven unanswered points on the way to the blowout win.

"How we ended the half and how we started the second half were both really big as far as breaking the game open," Irish coach Mike Brey said.

In its regular-season game of the season, the Irish offense showed no signs of rust as the team made 50.7 percent of its field goals. Irish forward Luke Harangody led all scorers with 30 points on 12-of-21 shooting and senior co-captain Luke Zeller has career high in victory.