**Student Affairs prepares for new leadership**

Poorman reflects on term, expresses gratitude for opportunity to serve

*By MADELINE BUCKLEY*

Monday.

In an administrative position that requires communicating with trustees, University officers, faculty, alumni and students, Vice President for Student Affairs Fr. Mark Poorman said the core of his job is looking out for the individual student’s experience.

“Sometimes you never know when you get up in the morning how your day is going to unfold because with 11,400 students, there are a lot of unfolding things,” he said.

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There is just a great privilege and opportunity to be back …. to try to shape and impact something that has such profound role in my own life. .”

Doyle said he does not plan to make massive changes when he takes over the position, but instead has three simple goals for his new job.

“I hope to be a good student, a good effective teacher and a good priest,” he said.

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**New landlord enters off-campus housing market**

*By AMANDA GRAY AND SARAH MERVOSH*

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When sophomore Meghan Donoghue decided to live off campus her senior year, she worked with Kramer Properties, a local retail company. A few weeks after signing her lease, however, she found out via e-mail that a different company would be managing her house.

“We signed for our house with Kramer, paid the first and last month’s rent and the security deposit and about two weeks later received an e-mail that Kramer was no longer our landlord,” Donoghue said. “I know a lot of people who had signed with Kramer were really confused or upset when they heard about the switch.”

Campus Apartments, a national retail management company, recently took over a portion of Kramer Properties.

Mark Kramer, owner of Kramer Properties, said he sold 56 homes and Notre Dame Apartments in February 2008 to Gross and Cohen Real Estate Investors. Gross and Cohen decided to have Campus Apartments, a national chain managing off-campus housing at schools across the U.S., manage the homes and apartments for them, president Michael Cohen said.

This is the first time the company has worked with Campus Apartments, but “they have great, national quality,” Cohen said.

For students who have not yet signed a lease, the management change could work to their advantage.

Rent for the homes now managed under Campus Apartments is lower than when they were managed under Kramer. Cohen said the lowering of the rent was a joint decision between Gross and Cohen investors and Campus Apartments.

“There were not many

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**Community reacts to hunger strike**

*By TONY RIVERA*

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With the conclusion of a week-long, student-led hunger strike against the University’s involvement with HEI Hotels, the administration affirmed that, after carefully looking into the alleged poor treatment of the company’s workers, it found no supports for the claims and its position had not changed.

The student protesters likewise said their position had not changed.

The hunger strike began last Monday when students gathered in front of the Main Building wearing orange jumpsuits and

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**Fall Forum to bring Friedman to campus**

*By AARON STEINER*

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University President Fr. John Jenkins said in a statement that the Forum comes after the world was “shaken” by the current economic crisis.

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I don’t want to grow up!

Remember when you could spend the whole day outside playing in the mud, just rolling around having fun with your friends? That is until your mom or dad came out and saw how dirty you had become. Then you were unfortunately subject to the most interior cleaning of your life, generally from the harsh spray of a garden hose, but it was still worth it.

As my friend Sheila and I pentagon-old and talked my friends into the muddy volleyball courts behind St. Mary’s Lake this Sunday at Muddy Monday, we realized that we were getting that chance again. At age 20, we were able to once again be kids, reliving our days as eight-year-old tomboys. Furthermore, it was a great way to blow off steam before we had to buckle down and get down to business before the beginning of finals. Although I have loved growing up, I really miss the simplicity of my childhood years. I miss the mudpies and the mudballs. I miss the friendly competitions against the kids in my neighborhood.

It’s by hearkening back to these ideals that make the best dorm or university events. As much fun as it is to jump around in a bouncy house for a few minutes, it’s these simple, seemingly foolish events that bring out hordes of students.

It’s why Bookstore Basketball, Muddy Sunday and the Chariot Race are such popular events and have droves of students registering. It’s why I think the Farley Fiasco will become a hit.

Bookstore Basketball brings back those days in elementary school when recess in the spring meant scrambling for the basketball or soccer balls. There were so many pickup games going on that spillovers onto the court or field next to you was inevitable.

The Chariot Race reminds me of racing bikes down the street, or Razor scooters when they got popular, hoping bikes down the street, or Razor scooters when they got popular, hoping around angry motorists. It was just you.

Farley Fiasco is similar to this idea; it’s a seemingly childish competition in which we all love to participate. Not only is it fun, but it’s also a great way to blow all the pride that went along with it’s a seemingly childish competition in which we all love to participate. Not only is it fun, but it’s also a great way to blow all the pride that went along with.

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If you’ve ever taken. These events are amusing and divert-

An exhibition titled “All Art is Propaganda” will be on display today from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The exhibit will be held in Hesburgh Library’s Special Collection Room 102. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

The Kellogg Institute will be sponsoring a lecture titled “Imaginary Communities: Indians and Campesinos in Mexican Social Thought.” The lecture will be held today at 12:30 p.m. in Hesburgh Center Room C-103.

The American Red Cross and Notre Dame’s Army ROTC will be sponsoring a blood drive. The event will take place today from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. and will be held in the LaFortune Student Center Ballroom.

The College of Engineering will be presenting a seminar titled “Multiscale Modeling of Fracture in Metals” today at 3:30 p.m. The event will take place in DeBartolo Hall Room 138.

The Notre Dame baseball team will face Toledo tonight at 6:05 p.m. The game will be played in Frank Eck Stadium. Adult tickets are $5.

The Notre Dame Jazz Bands and New Orleans Brass Band will be performing in concert tonight at 7 p.m. The performance will be held in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Admission is free but tickets must be reserved.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
College Democrats named top club

By KRISTEN DURBIN

When the leaders of Notre Dame’s 334 student clubs were notified about the nomination process for the Club of the Year Award, the officers of the College Democrats of Notre Dame knew they had a legitimate chance at receiving the honor.

“We listed all our accomplishments throughout the year, and we know we would be competitive for the award given the consistency of club events and the number of students getting involved,” junior Chris Rhodenbaugh, co-president of College Democrats for 2009-10, said.

Rhodenbaugh attributed the club’s recognition to the consistency of club activity, including the weekly efforts of students working on health care reform, energy issues and various foreign policy matters.

Senior Henry Vasquez, co-president of College Democrats, said the club’s success has been a result of its strong ties to students and other organizations.

“The success of the club is inextricably tied to the vision of the College Democrats — to become a nexus for the pro-activist student body,” Vasquez said. “I am proud that so many students have been involved in the political process.”

The high level of commitment of members of College Democrats has allowed the club to operate over 20 phone banks in cooperation with Organizing for America, coordinate a city-wide health care rally, maintain consistent weekly club programming and work extensively on local and national political campaigns.

“For the second year in a row, College Democrats was honored by not only the triumphant Clinton campaign, but the Obama campaign and the Democratic party as well,” Rhodenbaugh said.

Rhodenbaugh also cited a commitment to social justice as the motivation for the club’s goals of reforming the political system. He said he believes that the club’s high level of activism has helped bring about an end to the Iraq war and has worked hard to elect in 2008.

In addition, Rhodenbaugh was named winning the award out of side of an election year and on a limited budget speaks to the dedication of the club’s members.

“It’s a real honor to win this award because it shows the commitment of our members to changing American politics and accomplishing the goals of the president we worked so hard to elect,” Rhodenbaugh said. “Political activism is an essential part of being an American citizen, and I’m proud that so many students were involved in the political process.”

The club plans to continue its efforts to change the political climate and to help students get involved in service to get to know the greater community.

“I wanted to know South Bend,” Pugh said. “Service is not only an excellent way to know South Bend, but it’s also not only the triumphs, but the tribulations the community faces. You get to get in there and be with them in solidarity, face those things and help them overcome them.”

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SMC senior honored for community service

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY

Saint Mary’s senior Lizzy Pugh tutors children, serves as a teacher’s aide, works with local preschool and day care center and writes letters to grade school students through the College Democrats of Notre Dame’s pen pal program.

But Pugh, a religious studies and German double major, does not have a lot of time to give. She keeps a schedule of hours from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. for the last two hours to further her major. Rather, she got involved in service to get to know the greater community.

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Leadership award honors late business professor

Special to The Observer

As a faculty member at Notre Dame for more than 24 years, Management Professor Robert Vecchio was known internationally as a prolific and respected researcher who studied topics that fell into the nexus between psychology and business. Vecchio frequently provided an expert voice for articles on leadership, workplace emotion and motivation. Students relied on him for advice on management and career matters.

Bob Vecchio tragically passed away in February 2009 as a result of injuries incurred in a fall. In his memory, the Management Department of the Mendoza College of Business announced a new commemorative award, with graduating senior Kristen Koch receiving the first Robert Vecchio Leadership Award.

“I know Professor Vecchio made an incredible impact on the business school and the entire Notre Dame community,” said Koch, who served as the president of the Management Club at the Mendoza College of Business. “I am honored to even be nominated, let alone named, in a field so remotely associated with his memory.”

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University will be beneficial when he takes over as vice president for Student Affairs this summer. He will replace Fr. Mark Poorman, who has held the position for the past 11 years. "I don't think God wastes anything at all. He takes all of our experiences and all of our gifts and even takes the mistakes that we make and allows us to continue to sort of use them," Doyle said.

As an undergraduate, Doyle lived in Graze Hall, where he was involved in interhall sports and hall government. After Sandberg retired and met his first Holy Cross priest. Most importantly, Doyle said, it was where he made lifelong friends.

"I came back new with the bright idea," Doyle said. "I had shut down Graze and O'Neall opened up. I went to live in Kehoe Hall with people who had lived in the dormitory I lived in as an undergraduate." He added, "I think that's really important to me is I love living in a dorm." Doyle said.

"One of the great advantages of living in a dormitory is young people, college students especially, will keep your faith and be stimulated and not just sort of current issues and current news, but you get to follow all the trends that are going on, whether it is music or video or just culture in general."

Serving as a rector gave Doyle an insight into the recto's life, which he said will be helpful in his new position. "I think being a rector in campus ministry helped me to understand what happens in a hall and how hard a rector works and what their dilemmas are and how much they care," Doyle said. "It will help me appreciate the work they're doing." Doyle said when he returns to campus he will live in a dormitory, but he is not sure in which hall.

"I don't know who is moving in or who is moving out," Doyle said. "The one thing that's really important to me is I love living in a dorm.

Since the announcement in November that Doyle would take over as vice president for Student Affairs, he said he has tried to listen and learn as much as possible. "Fr. Mark Poorman has done such a great job in Student Affairs, as well as all the people who have worked with him. So even though this has been announced for a while, I really tried my very best to learn as much as I can about the University," he said.

"I think we all deeply have the same goal and I want to find a way for us to get there," Doyle said, "and really need to stick with things, by each other and extend a lot of courtesy and trust to one another." Doyle will try to do that in Student Affairs and we will ask that of the students and our colleagues as well.

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"create a year-long discussion on the role of ethics, values and morals in the rebuilding and reshaping of the global economy."

 PEDRO JIMÉNEZ referenced Pope Benedict XVI’s most recent encyclical, “Caritas in Veritate,” which deals with globalization, environment and economics. "Pope Benedict issued a reminder in his encyclical that 'the economy needs ethics in order to function correctly' — not ethics whatsoever, but an ethics which is people-centered."

"That encyclical came out of a long tradition of the Church's social teaching which asks us to reflect on the moral dimensions of individual and collective economic choices, and evaluate them with regard to their contribution to justice and the common good." The annual Forum, which was launched in 2005, was not held this past year. University spokesman Dennis Brown first told The Observer last September the Forum would be delayed until the spring semes- ter, and then administrators announced in January a schedul-
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Judge tosses kidnapping charges
PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A Haitian judge said Monday he has dismissed kidnapping and criminal association charges against 10 American missionaries detained for trying to take a busload of children out of the country after the Jan. 12 earthquake.

Judge Jean-Claude Silsby, who said Laura Silsby, the last of the 10 missionaries jailed in Haiti, still faced a lesser charge for allegedly organizing the effort to transport the 33 children to an orphanage they were setting up in the Dominican Republic.

Silsby faces up to three years in prison if convicted on the remaining charge, the “organiza-
tion of irregular trips,” from a 1980 statute restricting travel out of Haiti signed by then-dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier.

Canada won't fund abortions in plan
OTTAWA, N.B. — Canada's Conservative government said Monday it won't fund abortions as part of its top foreign-aid initiative at this year's G-8 summit, a stance that U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and other allies disagree with.

Canada has made maternal and children's health its centerpiece issue at the G-8 summit in Huntsville, Ontario in late June.

The stance on abortion is in disagreement with Clinton, who wasadamant at a G-8 meeting last month that any international effort to boost maternal health must include family planning, including access to safe abortions.

LOCAL NEWS

Gary receives 2010 tax relief
GAVEL IN. — A state property tax appeals board has knocked down, unmovimg, on the sidewalk outside an apartment building, blood from knife wounds pooling underneath his body.

One person passed by in the early morn-
ing, the other, another. Video footage from a surveillance camera shows at least seven people going by, some turning their heads to look, others stopping to gawk. One even lifted the homeless man's body, exposing what appeared to be blood on the sidewalk underneath him before walking away.

It wasn't until after the 31-year-old Guatemalan immigrant had been lying there for nearly an hour that emergency workers arrived and pronounced him dead.

Gardner pleaded guilty to two counts of murder, Friday, April 16 in San Diego Superior Court.

Oponents protest immigration law
PHOENIX — The furor over Arizona's new immigration law cracked on illegal immigrants growing its opposition, used refried beans to smear sweatshirts on the state Capitol, civil rights leaders demanded a boycott of the state, and the Obama administration weighed a possible legal challenge.

Activists are planning a challenge of their own, hoping to block the law from taking effect by arguing that it encroaches on the fed-
eral government's authority to regulate immi-
gration and violates people's constitutional rights by giving police too much power. The measure has faced heavy criticism in late July or early August — would make it a crime under state law to be in the U.S. illegally.

NIGERIA

Three journalists killed covering fighting
LAGOS — Gunmen shot and killed a Nigerian journalist at his home the same day two others died while attempting to cover fighting between Christians and Muslims in the nation's restive central highlands, authorities said Monday.

The conflagration and the death of the journalists, who were on their way to an assignment, brought the number of journalists killed in the past year to 52, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists, an advocacy group.

Mba said gunmen on Saturday night raided the home of Edjo Ugbaugw, a reporter who covered court cases for the daily newspaper The Nation. Mba said Ugbaugw's younger brother wit-nessed the men begin an argument with Ugbaugw that led to the shooting of the 42-year-old journalist.

Mba said detectives on the case had yet to come up with a motive for the killing. Dangarembga, a deputy editor at The Nation, said Ugbaugwu hadn't been working on any controver-
sial stories leading up to his death and had received no threats.

"He worked in the courts. All you do is hear from both sides and whatever the judge does, you report," Ogienagben told The Associated Press.

"We can't say why he was killed," he said.

In Jos, the central Nigerian city at the epicenter of recent religious vio-

ence, two journalists working for the Christian publication The Light Bearer newspaper died Saturday. The Nigeria Union of Journalists identified them as deputy editor Nathan S. Dabak, 36, and reporter Sunday Gyang Bwede, 34.

The union said unknown attackers stabled the two men to death as they were on their way to an assignment. Earlier that day, the body of a 13-year-
old boy was discovered in front of a mosque in the city, sparking protests and attacks.

Girl says killer followed her home
John Gardner, right, glances at the gallery after he pled guilty to two counts of murder, Friday, April 16 in San Diego Superior Court.

Associated Press

EL CAJON, Calif. — An 11-year-old girl told police a man followed her home from school the day before registered sex offender John Albert Gardner III raped and murdered a 17-year-old girl in a nearby park, according to search warrants unsealed Monday.

The documents show two women joggers were convinced they had encoun-
tered Gardner on the after-
noon of Feb. 25, the day he attacked and killed Chelsea King when she went for a run in the park.

One woman said she was convinced a man briefly spoke with about coyotes and snakes was Gardner.

Investigators linked Gardner to King's murder through some found on her underwear, according to the search warrants unsealed in response to a request by The Associated Press and other news organizations.

King's body was discov-
ered in a shallow lake,
side grave five days after she vanished.

The warrants said authori-
ties seized 11 shoes, three pickaxes and other digging tools from Gardner's home in Escondido along with a "Hard Rock Cafe Baghdad" T-shirt and duct tape.

They also found a tool case with black electrical and duct tape in a storage unit in suburban Escondido; black duct tape and a hand-
food receipt from Feb. 25 in the girl's friend's car; and se-
eral "Hard Rock Cafe" shirts and a shovel at his mother's home in San Diego.

Gardner, 31, pleaded guilty April 16 in San Diego Superior Court to killing and murdering King and 14-year-old Amber Dubois, who was abducted on her way to school in Escondido in February 2009.

Gardner had served five years of a six-year prison sentence for molesting a 13-
year-old San Diego neigh-
bor in 2000.

The search warrants said the 11-year-old girl told San Diego police on Feb. 24 that a man in a black car slowly drove by and parked as she walked home alone from school in the Rancho Bernardo area. The driver made no effort to speak with her.

A woman then pulled up beside the girl, told her the man looked suspicious, and offered to follow her two blocks to her house. The man then made a U-turn and drove away.

The girl told a family member the man had stared at her before pulling forward, and that she later recognized Gardner from a photo published after his arrest in the death of King.

Investigators then asked her to identify the man from among six photos. She picked two of the pictures, and one was Gardner, according to the documents.

One of the women joggers told investigators she spoke with a man in a "Hard Rock Cafe" T-shirt who was drinking beer and smoking a cigarette when she went for an afternoon run on the day King was attacked.

After Gardner's arrest, she authorized his死角uates she was positive he was the man she saw along the running trail.

The person told her to watch out for the snake and she noticed there was a rat-
tlesnake, "he affidavit reads.

The runner, identified as Candice Jo Stock, spoke with the man again on her way back.

Another runner, Jacqueline Maxon, also told authorities she saw Gardner that afternoon in a "Hard Rock Cafe Baghdad" T-shirt.

"She was 100 percent positive the person she saw on the trail was the person she saw on television because his haircut and eyes looked exactly the same," the affidavit reads.

The affidavits also describe a Dec. 27 attack on another jogger in the area.

Gardner pleaded guilty to attempted rape in that case.

The jogger, Candice Moncayo, reported saying good morning to a man who returned the greeting then tackled her and began to run in the park, pinning her shoulders to the ground.
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Poorman, who has headed Student Affairs for 11 years, announced in a written statement that he is excited for the future. During Poorman's time in Student Affairs, the Office also created the Gender Relations Center and the Interfaith Commission.

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Poorman said there have been lots of initiatives to improve residential life over past 10 years, he said. "We want to un-crowd current residence halls to meet a national standard for personal space, study space and bring ideas to student life."

"We have said from the beginning that we have both a strong focus on academic excellence and deepening Catholic character," he said. "We live in a culture that sometimes wonders whether we can do both."

But Poorman cited a strong campus ministry program and student activism as evidence that it is possible to merge academics and religion.

"I think the Catholic character pervades everything we do," he said.

Looking in office with a central focus on student life, Poorman said his tenure as vice president of Student Affairs focuses, namely integrating academics into campus life, overcoming overcrowding in two new residence halls, as well as advancing diversity projects and diversity initiatives.

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Poorman said forming relationships with students is central to his vocation as a Holy Cross priest.

"I live with students, I teach students. I pray with students, I oversee the quality of their lives as an administrator," he said. "I'm very blessed in that all that contact gives me great access to students and vice versa."

In the fall, Poorman will take an academic leave to serve as a visiting scholar at Santa Clara University in California before returning to Notre Dame to continue his work in the theology faculty full time. He said he will possibly teach a class in the spring.

"I feel so blessed and grateful," he said of the past 11 years. "My basic sense is just tremendous gratitude."

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holding up signs. With a total involvement of about 30 students, engaging at least part of the time, the strike concluded Friday afternoon with Mass in front of the main steps.

Thirteen of the students engaged in the hunger strike the whole week. "I think that after this week... we are more committed than ever," junior Lizur Furman said. "Our work is complete when our University upholds the morals and values that it says it upholds on its mission statement."

As the latest chapter in a debate that has stretched on for 11 years, the hunger strike aimed at Notre Dame's continued investment in HEI, a firm that develops many of the country's most well-known hotels. Students called for the University to withdraw its investment with HEI due to allegations that the company practiced unethical tactics in preventing workers from unionizing. "Our focus this week, however, that it has considered these allegations and found them to be unsubstantiated."

"In accord with Notre Dame's longstanding social investment policy, the University has investigated and closely monitored recent and ongoing claims made about Hill's labor practices," University spokesman Dennis Brown said in a written statement.

Brown said Notre Dame remains convinced that HEI engages in fair labor practices and is an "outstanding company."

Sophomore Roman Sanchez said the students did not receive a response from the University since their hunger strike.

"We sent letters everyday to the President's Office," he said. "But we've heard nothing from an official University spokesman."

He did say, however, that they have been in communication with Chief Investment Officer Scott Malpass, who offered to provide more information about HEI in the future. Malpass was not available for comment.

Following the conclusion of the hunger strike, Sanchez said he is excited for the future.

"I'm excited to see where we'll go. I really believe in what we're doing, and I believe that what we're doing is all about the message of Christ," he said.

Sanchez said his complaints were not part of any personal battle with the University, so much as making sure it was being accountable to Christian message.

Furman said she was encouraged by the support of the community and strangers alike throughout the work.

"We received a letter from a clergy group called GLUE (Clergy and Laity Uniting for Economic Justice)," she said. "It was a third party support for us, our hunger strike and the HEI workers."

One of the biggest successes of the strike was the mere fact that they managed to raise awareness, Furman said. "Just having come out of the hunger strike, and now that there is more awareness of the issue, our campaign is not over," she said. "[Our] campaign will not end just because the school year ends. Although no immediate next step has been decided, Sanchez said the students will likely continue their efforts and pick up where they leave off in the fall.

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California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger joins officials to announce the success of the “Save the Hollywood Sign” campaign Monday in Los Angeles.

Schwarzenegger said private donations came from all 50 states, 10 foreign countries, the Tiffany & Co. and a number of individuals, including J. Paul Getty heir Aileen Getty, Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks. The Hollywood sign, just west of the sign’s location on Mount Lee, features a 360-degree panorama of Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley. Moviemaker and aviation mogul Howard Hughes bought the property in 1940 to build a home for then-girlfriend Ginger Rogers. But when Hughes died without ever using the house, the estate was sold at an auction for $500,000, and the public and private donations came together to bring the Hollywood landmark back to life.

**In Brief**

Lawmakers mull raising license fee

OKLAHOMA CITY — Oklahoma lawmakers said Monday they are considering raising the cost of renewing a driver’s license by $8.50, as well as several other fee increases, as they grapple with an estimated $1.2 billion budget shortfall.

Department of Public Safety Commissioner Kevin Ward told a joint House and Senate hearing that more than a dozen proposed fee increases, as they said Monday they are considering raising the state’s prison system, who warned that deep budget cuts could lead to a major crisis.

The legislative committee, which asked several agencies to propose fee increases for budget cuts ranging from 7.5 percent to 12.5 percent, also heard from the director of the state’s prison system, who warned that deeper budget cuts could lead to a major crisis.

Further cuts would mean cutting even more employees who watch over a growing number of inmates, Department of Corrections Director Justin Jones said, raising “just one new red flag after another that in my business is indicated that you’re heading for a train wreck.”

Northrop Grumman to move to Virginia

RICHMOND, Va. — Defense contractor Northrop Grumman Corp. will move its headquarters cross country to the Virginia suburb of Washington, D.C., to be closer to its key customers in the U.S. government, officials said Monday.

Mary Ann Raslavich, Martin O’Malley congratulated northern Virginia for winning an intense sweepstakes between the two states for the corporate control center. Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell planned to announce the relocation on Tuesday in Arlington.

The company announced in January that it wanted to move from Los Angeles to the Washington area by 2011. A spokesman did not immediately return calls and an e-mail Monday seeking comment on the company’s choice.

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Northrop Grumman will relocate its corporate offices and manage its operations from the current site in Bethpage, N.Y., to a new site in the Dulles Technology Corridor.

The company said it had already begun to work on moving about 2,000 employees to Virginia.

Fox River Financial Resources Inc. was put on the market again two years ago for $22 million, but The Trust for Public Land negotiated a lower price.

But as Hollywood was entering its golden age, the sign already symbolized the allure of stardom. In the 1930s a young, struggling actress climbed the sign and leaped to her death.

By the late 1940s the sign was falling apart and the “Land” portion was removed, giving it the appearance known today.

Schwarzenegger pledged $32.8 million for the campaign, which hoped to raise $100 million.

The Hollywood sign, a beacon to stars and star-struck alike, has been saved from urban sprawl under a land conservation pact announced Monday after a donation by Playboy founder Hugh Hefner capped a multimillion-dollar fundraising.

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Toll, Tierney and other investors bought Philadelphia Newspapers in 2006 for $515 million, only to see its value plummet and the paper shut down.

The other two bidders included plans to try to negotiate contracts with the roughly 4,000 unionized workers, the company said. However, Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Stephen Raslavich noted that none of the bids come with any employment guarantees.

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Associated Press

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The issue of illegal immigration reform has taken a backseat for the Obama administration and Congress since 2008, with health care and financial reform deemed as more important priorities to resolve first. But now the issue appears to be moving back into the limelight after the state of Arizona signed into law an extremely controversial immigration law last Friday. The new law in Arizona makes the failure to carry out immigration documents a state crime, and gives police the ability to detain people they reasonably suspect of being an illegal immigrant “without probable cause.” The law also allows citizens to sue their respective cities if they feel the law is not being enforced properly. Illegal immigration is already a federal crime, but this bill allows police to charge illegal immigrants without official immigration papers with a separate state misdemeanor and hand them over to federal officials to be deported. Gov. Jan Brewer, who apparently remained silent on the issue until hours before signing the bill into law, stated that the new law “represents another tool for our state to use as we work to solve a crisis we did not create and a federal government that has refused to fix.” The law is a serious step backward in the battle to reform immigration policy and is certainly one that will be fought in the federal courts for its inherent demonization of Hispanic-Americans. Arizona has a majority white population, with close to 30 percent being Hispanic. Although Gov. Brewer acknowledged the criticisms that this bill could lead to racial profiling of Hispanics, she assured the people that Arizona would properly train its law enforcement to carry out the law, and that ultimately “we owe it to our law enforcement.” Frightening words to say the least, and the hints of an increasing tendency towards a police state should concern everyone. It is utterly ridiculous to suggest that ethnic and racial profiling of Hispanics will not be the most significant byproduct of this law given the demographics of Arizona and the increasing emotional rhetoric being placed upon the immigration question. Arizona currently has an estimated half of million illegal immigrants present in its borders now, and the hunt for this huge population would seriously detract from the basic rights of fellow Hispanic citizens living legally in the state. The law was under enormous criti-
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tion in his own state since he, like Gov. Brewer, is locked in a heated primary within his own party. McCain, bowing to pressure from hard-line conserva-
tives, reversed his 2007 position that “we need to come up with a humane, moral way to deal with those people who are here, most of whom are not going anywhere,” adding that “no mat-
ter how much we improve border security, “we will not find most of them, and we will not find all of their employers.” How times change. While the Arizona law most certainly will be challenged in federal courts and hopefully overturned, it is a wake up call to Washington that immigration reform needs to be brought back into the mix. It cannot be left up to states to enact laws that discriminate against populations and threaten the ideals of America, not unlike many of the meas-
tures that were taken out of fear to root out suspected terrorists. Comprehensive reform will be diffi-
cult to achieve anytime soon with financial reform on the current agenda and a Supreme Court confirmation expected to take up a portion of the summer. But if Congress does not act quicker to address the issue, more leg-
islation that espouses ethnic and racial profiling will appear. Congress needs to figure out how to address the issue through other means that do not evoke fear and hate, and invite lawless and abusive police power, or else these deplorable police state techniques will continue to spread and be copied elsewhere. Anthony Matthew Durkin is a senior living off campus and double majoring in political science and history. He can be reached at aublindell@gmail.com. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and necessarily those of The Observer.
In the midst of recent discussion on the Family Friendly Petition currently hosted on these sites:

- https://sites.google.com/a/nd.edu/family-friendlypetition/(for students)
- https://sites.google.com/a/nd.edu/family-friendlypetition/(for non-students)

I would like to clarify a few of the principles behind the petition's composition and its relevance for Notre Dame.

**Health care is a human right**

Many Notre Dame student spouses and international students' children are uninsured. In a 2004 statement, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops noted that "people who lack health insurance are far less likely to receive basic health care services ... They may delay seeking needed medical care or have trouble paying medical bills while meeting other essential needs such as food, housing and utilities. The uninsured receive less preventive care, are diagnosed at more advanced disease stages, and once diagnosed, tend to receive less care ... The Institute of Medicine estimates that 18,000 Americans die unnecessarily each year due to the lack of health insurance coverage."

This letter outlines the dangers that face the uninsured as well as the reasons why Catholics promote adequate health care access as a human right. Lack of health care threatens every stage of a human lifetime from the womb to adulthood. Such risks are faced now by students why Catholics promote adequate health care access to student families. In doing so it can join the Catholic institutions without hospitals to provide affordable coverage to student families, from The Catholic University of America and Dayton to Ave Maria and the University of Dallas, as well as private schools like Princeton and Texas Christian. The petition also recommends dependent insurance subsidies for international students, as children do not qualify for state-provided health care. Rather, then imposing $70 million cost of an endowed fund that would provide such support in perpetuity, this petition asks for a 3.5-year commitment from Notre Dame to subsidize coverage to a level affordable to student families until health care reform provisions begin on Jan. 1, 2014.

**Female students with children merit targeted support**

Several large scale studies demonstrate the substantially lower advanced degree completion rates of female graduate students with children as compared to males with children and single women. This condition worsens as graduate programs lengthen and expense for prerequisite bachelor's and master's degrees increase. Many female students are unable to justify the expense and duration of advanced study in view of family concerns while others opt to delay or even forego children in order to persevere through a six- to 10-year-long graduate track. In order to promote gender equity in outcomes, many peer institutions such as Duke, University of Southern California, Cornell, Yale, Stanford, and Berkeley, Princeton, Brown and others provide student maternity leave with or without pay, parental leave and automatic milestone extensions, in contrast to Notre Dame. Some of these schools also provide part-time enrollment options and paternity leave, in part to women who are not mandated the sole or primary caregivers.

A Catholic university has a wealth of reasons to support such efforts in even greater degree so as to encourage the participation of students with families in advanced study. In Catholic theology, insitutions should act from conviction that the family is the foundation of society. This is not only because of the life-giving power of procreation. Families are donors through the endowment of education, humanity and love provided to their members, upon which society depends and universities in particular draw. Proper university support of student family life acknowledges that the relationship between family life and academic work is honest only when the requirements of each are respected. It further promotes the cultural change that must occur in academia to ensure that the welcome of a child is not considered a threat to career prospects for students or junior faculty.

**Financial support should match competitors and need**

Many peer institutions offer dedicated funds for student families. Such support varies in form, with examples such as the low-income family grants of up to $8,000 after childbirth at Berkeley, to emergency family expense grants and pre-tax health and child care accounts at Michigan, to direct subsidies for child care from infancy at many private and public universities. Such supports provide a more level field for low-income student families, a group that particularly includes minority and international students. At Notre Dame, University-supported child care is not provided until age 2 and requires joining a long waiting list. Stipends are typically raised in response only to competition with peer university stipend offers and are not adjusted in view of family need. There are, however, a few departments at Notre Dame who make generous accommodations for students following childbirth that include financial considerations. This petition recommends that Notre Dame offer child care subsidies directly to student families from infancy and provide departments and schools with discretionary funds to meet financial needs as low-income student families begin or grow. Addressing these concrete financial needs has warrant not only by a comparative look at peer university practices but also and especially by Catholic Social Doctrine and its insistence that the basic requirements of the family be provided for economic arrangements.

**Implementation**

This petition is addressed to the fellows, trustees and officers of the University, who must ultimately consider the ethical questions raised by the current situation of graduate families as well as the better practices of peer universities regarding families. They will decide whether to improve conditions at Notre Dame. In addition, due to the leadership of Deans Sterling and Turpin and that of the members of the following commissions, there are recommendations from the Graduate School and the University Committee on Women Faculty and Students due soon on some of the conditions described above. We hope that the University will consider the benchmarks of other schools and the unique contribution that a Catholic university seeking to educate the heart and the mind can make. We further hope individual departments and students will provide conversations regarding the place of families within their programs in order to create better conditions for students and faculty considering or already involved with family life.

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**Letters to the Editor**

**Finishing next to the 50**

Before the race started I thought, “Wow! I’ll run out of the tunnel just like the football players and cheerleaders onto the field and sprint all the way to the 50 yard line.” Of course there wouldn’t be the 80,000 person crowd cheering me on, but I would have the satisfaction of actually having been on the field sometime during my time here at Notre Dame.

The Leprechaun started off the race and sent us on our way throughout the campus course. How disappointed I was while running toward the Stadium at the end of the race and the tunnel just like the football players and cheerleaders onto the field. It’s not fair to the runners who should be able to actually run out onto the field. It’s false advertising to tell someone that they are going to be able to do something but in reality you never had any intention of letting them. I don’t really see how or why runners in tennis shoes could do any harm to the Stadium’s field anyway.

Next year’s runners should be allowed to run out onto the football field and be proud of being a part of this Notre Dame tradition. This is all he can do to fly the one moment that amazing feeling of being on Notre Dame’s football field. Life is too short to place restrictions on trivial matters of who can be on the field because “runners will tear up the grass.” So next time let us finish on the 50!

Alexandra Moulton
Walsh Hall
April 26

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**Editorial Cartoon**

"We expect current male and female conditions to transition to near-neutral by this year's season, in other words..."
By MAJIA GUSTIN
Assistant Scene Editor

Portland-based indie folk band Horse Feathers is one of those bands you really should know. They stopped in South Bend Friday to play a concert at Subkirkie, the South Bend Christian Reformed Church’s concert venue, for a small but enthusiastic audience. They are currently on tour promoting their newest album, “Thistled Spring.”

Perhaps most comparable to a band like Iron & Wine, Horse Feathers specializes in the type of melodic indie rock that seems most appropriate for listening to in a serene meadow. You use guitars, and sometimes drums, but that’s just like everyone else, but also feature a cello, some violins, banjos and even a saw.

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Horse Feathers played a great set, featuring both songs old and new. They are of that impressive breed of bands that truly sounds so much better live than on record. That is because, aside from being incredibly talented musicians, the passion in their music is palpable in person. Lead singer/guitarist Justin Ringle is mesmerizing, but backing members Sam Cooper, Nathan Crockett and Catherine Odell take his emotional guitar tunes to the next level, always adding new layers to their songs, each playing several instruments in any given song. Some songs from the set include old songs “Curs in the Weeds,” “Falling Through the Roof” and “Finch on Saturday,” and new songs from “Thistled still can’t,” “Belly of June” and “Cascades.”

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“Cascades” takes the album back again as a beautiful ballad featuring a saw. “The Drought” has some kind of Spanish inspired and is one of the best examples of the violin’s sound. “The Widower” is more of the band’s typical slow ballad, but it is easily one of the most beautiful songs on the album. “Thistled Spring” closes much the same way that it opened, with the slow melodric song “Heaven’s No Place.” It is one of the best examples of Ringle’s great vocals and features all that is best about Horse Feathers, incorporating several different instruments and changing throughout.

“Thistled Spring” is a great album by a small indie band that will hopefully start to get more attention and recognition for their talents. There seems to be more “Thistled Spring” that will appeal to a broader audience, so hopefully this is the band’s chance to really make their presence known. It is also perfect music for a long night of studying for finals or for a calm summer day at the beach.

Although the album, and really any other Horse Feathers CD, is definitely worth picking up, if the opportunity to see them perform live ever presents itself, take it. Their awesome album can’t do their live performance justice.

By DECLAN SULLIVAN
Assistant Scene Editor

Before I really dig into Tunng album “...And Then We Saw Land” just one thing to be said. It’s a style of music that the majority of people will like.

Tunng is a very odd combination of folk and electronic music. Some people will think it’s crazy and ridiculous and awesome, most people will want to listen. Think of MGMT, but more folk, less electronica and a lot less drugy and messed up.

If this sounds like something you might be interested in, keep reading. If not, please stop and go away.

I’ve never really listened to a style of music quite like this before, and although I must say I was a little thrown off, I find that I kind of, sort of like it. Tunng manages to take two genres that I would have never associated with each other — folk and electronic — and meld them in an odd, strange way that still somehow seems most appropriate for listening to in a serene meadow. They use guitars and even a saw, like Iron & Wine, and under the orders of Captain Subkirke, the South Bend Christian Reformed Church’s concert venue, for a small but enthusiastic audience. They are currently on tour promoting their newest album, “Thistled Spring.”

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“Cascades” takes the album back again as a beautiful ballad featuring a saw. “The Drought” has some kind of Spanish inspired and is one of the best examples of the violin’s sound. “The Widower” is more of the band’s typical slow ballad, but it is easily one of the most beautiful songs on the album. “Thistled Spring” closes much the same way that it opened, with the slow melodric song “Heaven’s No Place.” It is one of the best examples of Ringle’s great vocals and features all that is best about Horse Feathers, incorporating several different instruments and changing throughout.

“Thistled Spring” is a great album by a small indie band that will hopefully start to get more attention and recognition for their talents. There seems to be more “Thistled Spring” that will appeal to a broader audience, so hopefully this is the band’s chance to really make their presence known. It is also perfect music for a long night of studying for finals or for a calm summer day at the beach.

Although the album, and really any other Horse Feathers CD, is definitely worth picking up, if the opportunity to see them perform live ever presents itself, take it. Their awesome album can’t do their live performance justice.

By ANKUR CHAWLA
Assistant Scene Editor

As a first time opera-goer, I was thoroughly impressed with Opera Notre Dame’s production of “The Tales of Hoffman.” The performers did an incredibly well-rounded job bringing Jacques Offenbach’s final masterpiece to life.

“The Tales of Hoffman” follows the life of Hoffman, a poet searching for love. As he meets different women, he is sabotaged and misguided by various people. Hoffman discovers that she is his true love: poetry.

Hoffman, alone and isolated, finally encounters the Muse. The Muse tells Hoffman that she is his true love. Hoffman, alone and isolated, finally encounters the Muse. The Muse tells Hoffman that he is his true love. Hoffman, alone and isolated, finally encounters the Muse. The Muse tells Hoffman that he is his true love.

Nicklausse, Giulietta drinks the poison by mistake.


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Scene Writer

By MATTHEW BROWN

At the school year draws to a close and we face a stark example of the measureable march of time, there is no better way to celebrate our fleeting childhood than with a study break movie. Many may choose to stop at 10 when creating such lists, but I have gone the extra mile for you, reader, and now proudly present the top 12 Disney Animated Classics in no particular order:

1. **Robin Hood**
   - Notable Tracks: “I’ll Make a Man Out of You,” “A Girl Worth Fighting For”
   - Description: Perfect Disney movie.
2. **Snow White**
   - Notable Tracks: “Heigh-Ho!,” “I’m Singing in the Rain”
   - Description: Hard to follow in the modern era, but a classic.
3. **Oliver and Company**
   - Notable Tracks: All but “Can You Do the Fugly?”
   - Description: Disney’s goal of recreating the classic style of old went off without a hitch in this fantastic film.
4. **The Little Mermaid**
   - Notable Tracks: “Part of Your World,” “Under the Sea”
   - Description: One of the greatest Disney movies.
5. **Lion King**
   - Notable Tracks: “Can You Feel the Love Tonight”
   - Description: Disney’s first animated movie before being involved in all you trivia buffs out there, this is the perfect voice for Kuzco, and for all you trivia buffs out there, this was Goodman’s first Disney animated movie before being involved in something that seems like every movie since.
6. **Aristocats**
   - Notable Tracks: Doesn’t need a list.
   - Description: A cat and the Artful Dodger combination of Robin Hood and Little John running through the forest duping the childish King John is pure joy.
7. **Aladdin**
   - Notable Tracks: All but “Can You Do the Fugly?”
   - Description: Test this in anticipation of Gladiator part II: Robin Hood. The fox and bear combination of Robin Hood and Little John running through the forest duping the childish King John is pure joy.
8. **Hercules**
   - Notable Tracks: “Go the Distance,” “I’ll Make a Man Out of You,” “A Girl Worth Fighting For”
   - Description: This remake of the Oliver story, Oliver is a cat and the Artful Dodger is a dog owned by the unscrupulous Fagin. Lost on the hard streets of New York City, Oliver is shown how to survive by Dodger before eventually being taken into a wealthy home.
9. **Pocahontas**
   - Notable Tracks: “I’ll Make a Man Out of You,” “A Girl Worth Fighting For”
   - Description: Oliver is a cat and the Artful Dodger is a dog owned by the unscrupulous Fagin. Lost on the hard streets of New York City, Oliver is shown how to survive by Dodger before eventually being taken into a wealthy home.
10. **The Emperor’s New Groove**
    - Notable Tracks: “Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo”
    - Description: A cat and the Artful Dodger combination of Robin Hood and Little John running through the forest duping the childish King John is pure joy.
11. **Lilo & Stitch**
    - Notable Tracks: “Can You Feel the Love Tonight”
    - Description: Lilo & Stitch is a heart-warming tale of a girl and her alien pet.
12. **Wreck-It Ralph**
    - Notable Tracks: None
    - Description: Wreck-It Ralph is a video game character who gets sent to the real world and must learn about what’s going on there.

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Scene Writer

By ANKUR CHAWLA

In the upcoming weeks, the University community will be gearing up for new semester, head over to the Cinemark 14 Thursday at 8 p.m for a free prescreening of Universal Pictures’ “Get Him to the Greek.”

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Jenah Hill (“Superbad”) and Russell Brand (“Forgetting Sarah Marshall”) star in this summer comedy. Set to release in June, “Get Him to the Greek” looks like it will be one of the biggest blockbusters and box office comedies of the year.

In the movie, Hill plays Aaron Green, an intern at a record company hired to accompany the extravagant British rock star named Aldous Snow, played by Brand. For those of you who saw “Forgetting Sarah Marshall,” Aldous Snow’s character is carried over from that movie, and if you remember his mantra — he is walking sex.

Aaron is given the career-making task of escorting Aldous to a concert at L.A.’s Greek Theatre. The British rocker is constantly sidetracked searching for the meaning of life. When he discovers his true love is in California, he devotes his time to getting her instead of the upcoming concert.

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This movie is sure to be a hit, and if you liked “Forgetting Sarah Marshall,” you are going to love “Get Him to the Greek.”

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NBA

Nuggets unravel as Jazz take control of series

Associated Press

DENVER — The flustered Denver Nuggets were tweeting and texting.

After losing at Utah to fall behind 3-1 to the short-handed Jazz in an NBA playoff series they were heavily favored to win, All-Star Carmelo Anthony expressed frustration that he wasn’t getting more help and J. J. Smith suggested someplace else could be having a better season.

Tweeted Smith: “You play selfless basketball and it’s like I’m saying about the game,” which the Nuggets lost 117-106 after committing 18 turnovers to go with just 13 assists.

Chancey Billups told Monday that he didn’t see the team unraveling as it sits on the brink of elimination. He suggested the Nuggets aren’t a high-volume assist team like the Jazz and the Nuggets have a different style.

The Nuggets, however, are clearly a troubled group that two months ago was being touted as the team most capable of unseating the Los Angeles Lakers as the top dog in the Western Conference.

Then came coach George Karl’s throat cancer diagnosis and the Nuggets haven’t been the same since.

They go 12-11 under acting coach Adam Dalley after posting a 42-21 mark under Karl and enduring three dozen radiation treatments that he has left him weak and weary.

Dalley said he doesn’t think he’s losing his team or that there’s fissures that aren’t fixable. He said losses bring out negative comments but “if we win Wednesday, we’ll feel a lot better.”

They’ll have to win that game to maintain hopes of becoming just the ninth team to overcome a 3-1 deficit and the first one to do it since 2006.

Anthony avoided reporters Monday by slipping out a side door, but a recording 19 points Sunday night and watching some of his teammates chip in more than 14, he said he was exasperated to regret that there is a team that’s missing starters Andrei Kirilenko (strained calf) and Mehmet Okur (ruptured Achilles’ tendon).

“I’m trying to do everything I can in my power to beat the Jazz, but at the end of the day I need some help,” Anthony said.

“I’m not sitting here pointing fingers at anybody, but as a unit we’ve got to do it together. I can’t do it by myself.”

The Nuggets were first-round fodder in Anthony’s first five NBA seasons before reaching the Western Conference championship a year ago.

“My thought first-round flops were thinking of the past.

Smith tweeted his frustrations after shooting 3-for-11 from the floor for 10 points to go with his pair of assists, but anybody who knew who he was gripping about.

“Well, I don’t know who was selfish,” Dalley said. “A lot of times it looks like that when you take shots and you miss when it’s the same type of shots you took the first game that we made. But when you lose you feel bad, you say some funny things, say negative things. But the main thing I told the guys was just stay together, just win Wednesday.”

Some in the organization thought it was ironic that Smith, known for firing up 3-pointers in blowouts or putting up 16 points in games, said his teammates can get upcourt to run a pick-and-roll and challenge level of selfishness.

Anthony also voiced his frustration during the game when he got on Chris Andersen for a bad foul.

Despite all the angst, Billups said the Nuggets aren’t falling apart.

“I’m not really seeing it. Man, it’s frustrating to lose. People can really say what they want, but at any rate, when we win, we win together,” Billups said.

And he said getting just 23 assists to Utah’s 21 in the two games at Salt Lake City doesn’t mean the Nuggets are selfish, either.

“I think that the style that we play is not a high-assist volume team. Utah, the style that they play, they’re going to move it around every time down. They’re going to have 25, 30 assists, most nights. That’s the system they have in place,” Billups said.

But he said the Nuggets just need to pick their heads up for Tuesday’s practice and win Game 5 at home no matter how many assists they get.

“If we win, we’ll feel a lot better Wednesday,” Huntley said. “I think we’re going to win Wednesday. It’s funny that I would never believe that Utah would beat us three games in a row. That’s just what I felt.”

How about four straight? Utah point guard Deron Williams said the Jazz aren’t getting ahead of themselves.

“We’re confident but we’re not just thinking the series is over already,” he said. “We have to close this thing out and hopefully we can do it in Denver. If not we’ll come back here and get the win. We’re confident that we can beat this team.”

NFL

Embattled QB Roethlisberger will accept suspension

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A chastened Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger accepted his six-game suspension for violating the NFL’s personal conduct policy and promised to “comply with what is asked of me — and more.”

He regretted comments since the NFL handed down the suspension after playing 241/2 mark and under contract for three dozen radiation treatments that he has left him weak and weary.

“Compliance is the team,” Roethlisberger said in the statement Monday.

Roethlisberger was cleared of charges, but the star quarterback was rebuked by author- ities for firing up 3-pointers in blowouts or putting up 16 points in games.

Roethlisberger was not available Monday for further comment. Because he cannot work out or train with his teammates until the league releases him, he will not take part in the team’s mandatory three-hour minicamp this weekend.

Roethlisberger was cleared of charges because a prosecutor said the case was not strong enough to pursue, but the quar- terback was rebuked by author- ities, Goodell and Steelers presi- dent Art Rooney II. Georgia prosecutor Fred Bright was especially harsh, telling the quarterback. “Grow up . cut it out. You can do better.”

In your six years in the NFL, you have first thrilled and now soured a great many people,” Goodell wrote. “I urge you to take full advantage of this opportunity to get your life and career back on track.”

The suspension can be reduced to four games if Roethlisberger completes an evaluation mandated by the league, any action that is man- dated by that evaluation and he remains out of trouble. He can practice during training camp and play in preseason games, but cannot return to game action until at least Oct. 17.

Until he is cleared for injury or to rest up for the playoffs, Goodell said he has the right to extend the suspension if he learns of any additional problems.

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**MLB**

The Phillies lock up Howard with extension

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Ryan Howard preferred securing his future in Philadelphia to testing free agency in two years.

The slugging first baseman agreed to a $125 million, five-year contract extension Monday that could keep him with the Phillies until 2017.

The 30-year-old Howard will make $20 million each in 2012 and 2013 and $25 million annually from 2014-16. The Phillies have a $23 million club option for 2017 with a $10 million buyout.

“This is a very good contract for him,” Howard’s agent Casey Close said. “The reason he felt the time was right was he loves his teammates, he loves the city. He wanted to be a part of something special for a long time to come.”

The two-time All-Star led the Phillies to two straight trips to the World Series, winning a championship in 2008.

The $25 million guaranteed average salary in the extension will be baseball’s second-highest behind Alex Rodriguez’s $27.5 million average under a 10-year contract with the Yankees running through 2017.

One of the factors that might have influenced Howard in agreeing to the deal now is that he would have been eligible for free agency after the 2011 season, when he will be 32.

After being briefly stuck in the minors while Thome manned first for the Phillies, Howard was the 2005 Rookie of the Year. At 25, the same age A-Rod signed his first five-agent deal — $252 million with Texas in 2001.

Howard, the 2006 NL MVP, is earning $19 million this season as part of a $5 million, three-year deal that pays him $20 million in 2011.

He signed that deal in February 2009, avoiding a potentially contentious arbitration hearing.

Close said the sides began talking about a long-term deal during spring training, before the rumored mega-trade of Howard for St. Louis star Albert Pujols surmounted on the Internet and was quickly quashed.

Howard hit .279 with 45 homers and 141 RBIs last season and has three homers and 16 RBIs in 80 at-bats this April.

While he has put up monster numbers, averaging 49.5 homers and 141 RBIs over the past four years, he has averaged 191 strikeouts over that span.

Howard’s deal could influence Derek Jeter’s next deal with the Yankees and Pujols’ next contract with the Cardinals.

Jeter, who also is represented by Close, is in the final season of a $189 million, 10-year contract.

**IN BRIEF**

**Former Houston Oiler charged with DWI**

BRYAN, Texas — Former Houston Oilers quarterback Dan Pastorini has been charged with driving while intoxicated following a traffic accident in Bryan, Texas.

Officer Jason James says Pastorini was involved in a three-vehicle collision late Sunday. He was arrested Monday after being treated for minor injuries, then freed after posting $1,000 bail.

James says Pastorini was alone when his car rear-ended a pickup, which then clipped another vehicle.

Electronic jail records did not list an attorney for Pastorini, who was with the Oilers in the 1970s, then played for the Los Angeles Rams and the Philadelphia Eagles.

**Titans sign former Oregon running back Blount to squad**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — LeGarrette Blount, the Oregon running back suspended for punching a player last season, agreed to terms Monday with the Tennessee Titans as an undrafted free agent.

Blount missed eight games in 2009 for punching Boise State defensive end Byron Hout in the season opener Sept. 3. Blount returned late in the season and played in the Rose Bowl loss to Ohio State.

Titans coach Jeff Fisher said in a statement the team talked to a number of people, including Blount, before offering him a deal.

“He was a good college football player who, after talking to a number of people, merits a second chance,” Fisher said. “Certainly LeGarrette should understand consequences at this point and we have explained what our expectations are for him to be successful with this opportunity.”

Mieuli, former Golden State Warriors owner, dies at 89

OAKLAND, Calif. — Franklin Mieuli, whose deejay cap, substantial board and casual style made him one of the NBA’s most colorful figures in his 24 years as owner of the Golden State Warriors, died Sunday. He was 89.

Mieuli died of natural causes in a San Francisco Bay Area hospital, the Warriors said in a statement.

Mieuli was the principal owner of the Warriors from the time they moved to the Bay Area in 1962 until he sold them in 1986. He won an NBA title with the team in 1975, still the club’s only championship in nearly a half-century in California.

“Frankly was truly one of the innovators in our league, who was so proud of the Bay Area and his ability to maintain a team here,” NBA commissioner David Stern said in a statement Sunday night.

“I have always fondly remembered his warmth and his belief in the importance of sports to a community.”

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Red Wings at Coyotes

9 p.m. Versus

**NBA Basketball**

Thunder at Lakers

10:30 p.m., TNT
**Traded veterans define NFL draft**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Time to draft and time to trade ... and trade some more.

NFL teams were almost as busy making deals as they were making draft picks Saturday. Jason Campbell,Leon McFadden, and Brian Orakpo were traded. With Donovan McNabb now in Philadelphia, Campbell became expendable and was sent to Oakland for a fourth-round pick in 2012. Where that leaves JaMarcus Russell, the top overall pick of 2007 who was struggled with the Raiders, is anyone's guess.

The fourth round began with Seattle trading to obtain the pick acquired from the Jaguars for linebacker Morrison this year, went 185th overall, also to Carroll in Seattle. McCoy became expendable despite leading the Rams in tackles the past four seasons.

"I don't see a slip in my play," Morrison said. "Now I can move to Jacksonville and show what I can do."

The only Rhodes scholar with a full ride, Gilyard said. "It's like slim to none that I've never been a situational player for Alabama. I've never been a starter as a kick returner, runner and receiver, but it's still a great opportunity," he said. "For me, it's a new beginning."

As far as LenDale... Flyers in town. The win came in the longest Talladega race in Sprint Cup history, because NASCAR's new overtime rule allows for three attempts at its version of overtime, said. "That was a tremendous day, just like the old days, like you wouldn't have seen Buddy Baker or Cale Yarborough," Martin said. "That was a tremendous pass, and it was timed perfect."
Boston Celtics eager to finish off Wade, Heat in Boston

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — You guard Dwyane Wade too closely and he drives to the basket. Give him some room and he sinks a 3-pointer.

What are the Boston Celtics to do?

“It’s a tricky situation,” Ray Allen said.

Allen has the unenviable task of being the Celtic assigned to defend the Miami Heat star most of the time — his next chance comes Tuesday night in Game 5 — although Allen’s teammates are supposed to help. None of them did well enough on Sunday.

Wade raced in for layups and soared high for long-range jumpers. His 46 points, and he sinks a 3-pointer. Give him some room and 13 of 30 of his 3-pointers and he hits 52 percent this season. Wade has increased his personal numbers aren’t Wade’s main focus.

“I don’t know if I’m going to score 40 again. I don’t know if I’m going to score 14,” he said. “My job is to do whatever I can to make sure we win theballgame.”

The Heat dropped the first two in Boston — 85-76 and 106-77 — when they lost their composure for key stretches.

They led the opener by 14 points midway through the third quarter. In Game 2, they allowed a 44-8 surge that turned a 29-25 lead into a 69-37 deficit.

Miami is 1-6 against the Celtics this season but had a solid chance in five of those losses.

“We’ve shown we’re capable of beating them. We just had to go ahead, go out there and finish, complete it,” Richardson said. “And now we need to do it again.”

He left Sunday’s game with a bruised left hand and will play Tuesday night after an MRI showed it wasn’t broken.

“We’ve been measured there mentally more than anything, and, at some point, they’ve gotten us to break,” Miami coach Erik Spoelstra said. “They’ve been able to control the games, particularly in the fourth quarters. And (Tuesday), we’re looking for our breakthrough. It’s got to be different.”

Boston’s Allen hopes it is — at least from the free throw line. He struggled there Sunday despite shooting 91 percent this season.

He hit one free throw with 2:36 left, cutting Miami’s lead to 96-92. Then he missed his next three, only the 10th time he’s missed that many in his 1,103 games in the regular season and playoffs.

So he did some extra free throw shooting Monday. “I took about 150. I missed five of them,” he said.

If he had made those three on Sunday, or if Wade had missed a few more shots, the series might already be over. If Miami wins Tuesday, it will continue.

“The world is all about ‘what if...,’” Allen said. “We don’t want to be in ‘what if’ forever. We want to control our destiny.”
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appropriate.”

The Cardinals’ depth and experience aided in their victory — their second Big East title.

“They have had a terrific year, being ranked somewhere between 10 and 15 most of the season,” Leanne Scudder, the senior captain, Bayliss said.

The Cardinals jumped to a 1-0 lead early in the match by winning the doubles point in two tightly contested matches at the No. 2 and No. 3 positions.

At No. 2, Notre Dame junior Tyler Davis and sophomore Niall Fitzgerald lost 6-5 to Austen Childs and Viktor Maksimcuk. Davis and Fitzgerald fell behind early, but tied the match at 4-4. Childs and Maksimcuk took four of the next five games for the win to stop the Irish duo’s comeback.

Louisville grabbed the doubles point after the Irish No. 3 pair of Alex Taus and David Anderson and Daniel Stahl were defeated by Robert Hall and Chidi Gane during the doubles phase. The Cardinals team started with a 4-3 lead that the Irish couldn’t overcome.

The No. 1 doubles match went unfinished after the doubles point where both teams had already been won by Louisville. Junior Steven Klamka and sophomore Casey Kugler defeated the Irish No. 1 pair of Daniel Gebert and Giana Guerra for the No. 1 doubles point after the Irish No. 3 doubles pair of Alejandro Calligari to go into a tiebreaker. Havens and Watt beat Noter Dame at the No. 1 spot and Campbell knows the duo’s chances.

“We compete hard in doubles and might have won at No. 1, but they were just a little bit too good,” Bayliss said. Louisville’s success carried into the singles competition, where Anderson first went down 6-3, 6-0 to Andrew Carter at No. 5 singles and fell 6-0, 6-2 to A. Childs at the No. 1 spot. Notre Dame fought back in the other singles contests with sophomore Samuel Keeton, Havens, Stahl and freshman Blas Moros all extending their matches. Hall’s 6-3, 6-3 defeat over Moros at No. 6 singles gave Louisville the crown. Hall won to go into the tournament’s Most Outstanding Performer.

With its No. 38 ranking, Notre Dame has a strong chance of playing in the NCAA Championohips for the 19th time in the past 20 seasons with an at-large bid, and Bayliss said he is confident in his team’s chances.

“There is a great deal of improvement for the singles positions, and we can give us a chance to do some damage there,” Bayliss said. “We find out where we will go next week. There are some areas in which we can gain some ground now that we are away from competition for awhile and this is the time to make those moves.

The Irish will find out their fate at 5 p.m. on May 4 when the NCAA Division I Tennis Championship Selection Show takes place on ESPNEWS.

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Sports Writer

The No. 3 doubles duo of junior Jessica Kosinski and freshman Care Rectanus began the day with an 8-2 win over Paige Sedgewick and Simon Childs at the No. 5 position, with both players giving up only three games in each of their matches. Gebert won 6-2, 6-2 at No. 2 against Noer Gebert in yet another victory for the team leader while Peluso defeated Gruber 6-3, 6-2 at No. 3. At fourth singles, Kosinski beat sing Mattieee in a three set match, 3-6, 6-2, 1-0 (10-7).

Rounding out the singles was junior Monica Way, winning 7-6 (7-5), 6-2 against Bakes. The Belles now turn their attention to the MIAA Championships, which will be held Friday and Saturday at Hope College in Holland, Mich. In preparation for the tournament, Campbell knows where his team needs to keep their focus.

“We have some momentum leading into the tournament, which is good.”

Dale Campbell Belles coach

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Dale Campbell

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77. The 1-2-3 finish powered the Belles from a five-set first-round deficit entering the day to a 28-shot lead over second-place Olivet heading into the final round. With the Saturday total of 311, Saint Mary’s set a new school and course record for the low score in the NCAA MIAA competition.

“It was a great round,” Hamilton said. “[Royce] had it going. She had a great day.

The final round of the MIAA qualifier Saturday tested the Belles. Olivet fired a low score of 328, while Saint Mary’s limped to a 348, which was good enough to earn an overall eight-shot victory. Mattauskas played well, turning in a round of 81 for the second-best score of the day, with teammate Calli in the second for Saint Mary’s with an 85 to tie for ninth overall.

“She had a really good round at Blackthorn, and kept it together on Saturday,” Hamilton said. “Consistency-wise, she did a great job. She kept us in the game on Saturday. Despite the Belles’ struggles, Saturday, Hamilton said he was happy with his team’s ability to do what was necessary to pull out the victory.

“We did what we had to do, and whether we win by one shot or 30 strokes, we got it done,” he said.

Now that Saint Mary’s has earned a berth in the NCAA championships, they turn their focus to the national competition just behind the finals.

“It’s tough to stay sharp with the finals. I would really like to finish in the top four and bring hardware home,” Hamilton said. “We’ll have to play our best for four days and it’s tough to do, but it’s totally possible.”

Even though the team’s season is not over, Hamilton said he is already considering his team’s spring campaign and the NCAA MIAA championships looming, Hamilton and the Belles are optimistic about their chances.

“This team is peaking at the right time,” Hamilton said. “We’re looking now for some hardware.”

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appropriate.”

The Cardinals’ depth and experience aided in their victory — their second Big East title.

“They have had a terrific year, being ranked somewhere between 10 and 15 most of the season,” Leanne Scudder, the senior captain, Bayliss said.

The Cardinals jumped to a 1-0 lead early in the match by winning the doubles point in two tightly contested matches at the No. 2 and No. 3 positions.

At No. 2, Notre Dame junior Tyler Davis and sophomore Niall Fitzgerald lost 6-5 to Austen Childs and Viktor Maksimcuk. Davis and Fitzgerald fell behind early, but tied the match at 4-4. Childs and Maksimcuk took four of the next five games for the win to stop the Irish duo’s comeback.

Louisville grabbed the doubles point after the Irish No. 3 pair of Alex Taus and David Anderson and Daniel Stahl were defeated by Robert Hall and Chidi Gane during the doubles phase. The Cardinals team started with a 4-3 lead that the Irish couldn’t overcome.

The No. 1 doubles match went unfinished after the doubles point where both teams had already been won by Louisville. Junior Steven Klamka and sophomore Casey Kugler defeated the Irish No. 1 pair of Daniel Gebert and Giana Guerra for the No. 1 doubles point after the Irish No. 3 doubles pair of Alejandro Calligari to go into a tiebreaker. Havens and Watt beat Noter Dame at the No. 1 spot and Campbell knows the duo’s chances.

“We compete hard in doubles and might have won at No. 1, but they were just a little bit too good,” Bayliss said. Louisville’s success carried into the singles competition, where Anderson first went down 6-3, 6-0 to Andrew Carter at No. 5 singles and fell 6-0, 6-2 to A. Childs at the No. 1 spot. Notre Dame fought back in the other singles contests with sophomore Samuel Keeton, Havens, Stahl and freshman Blas Moros all extending their matches. Hall’s 6-3, 6-3 defeat over Moros at No. 6 singles gave Louisville the crown. Hall won to go into the tournament’s Most Outstanding Performer.

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seven straight outings out of the bullpen, and he has not issued a walk against 63 consecutive batters.

Toledo will be a tough non-conference test for the Irish, with a 23-16 record on the season. The Rockets lineup is batting .324 this season and is averaging almost nine runs per game.

But the Toledo staff has not provided the offense with the same support, with a staff ERA of 8.74. Notre Dame could be in for a high-scoring contest against the powerful lineup but weak pitching staff.

First pitch against the Rockets from Frank Eck Stadium will be at 6:05 p.m. today.

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Senior Ryan Connolly has helped in Notre Dame’s turnaround this season to bring them up from a 2-7 start.
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By MICHAEL BRYAN
Sports Writer

The Irish will once again look to their seniors to continue their season turnaround today against Toledo, hosting the Rockets after winning their second straight Big East series last weekend against Cincinnati.

Cementing the series win over the Bearcats was senior David Mills, who has led Notre Dame both at the plate and from the mound this season. With the rainy rubber match Sunday tied 4-4 in the bottom of the ninth inning, Mills sliced a pitch from Cincinnati closer Andrew Buckett barely inside the leftfield foul pole to give the Irish a walk-off win.

“He’s had some clutch hits,” Irish coach Dave Schrage said of Mills. “I don’t think you can ask much more of a player. He’s done a great job in relief, and now he just continues to get some big hits for us — just having a great season.”

The win gave Notre Dame the series win after winning the opener last Friday 5-2. Junior Brian Dupra allowed just two runs in 7 and 1/3 innings to give the Irish a walk-off win.

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Junior Mary Kate Boyce led the Belles Friday, carding a 74 to set an MIAA record and earn medalist honors in the process. Sophomore Natalie Matuszak finished second overall with a 76 and junior Rosie O’Connor rounded out the top three golfers with a 78.

Irish Women’s Tennis

Irish win conference title

By CHRIS ALLEN
Sports Writer

The No. 5 Irish dominated conference play this weekend, defeating West Virginia, Syracuse and DePaul by a combined score of 18-0 to win the Big East Championship trophy at Notre Dame’s Courtney Tennis Center. The title was Notre Dame’s third straight and 10th in 15 years.

The Irish (22-3) easily defeated lower-ranked foes West Virginia and Syracuse on their way to the title match. The championship match marked the third time Notre Dame faced the Blue Demons this spring. The Irish won each of the previous meetings 6-1.

In the title match, DePaul’s Senior Cosmina Ciobanu returns a DePaul serve in an April 16. The Irish defeated the Blue Demons Sunday in the Big East title match.

MEN’S TENNIS

Notre Dame loses Big East championship

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

The Irish fell 4-0 to No. 15 Louisville in a hard-fought Big East title match to end the tournament at the Eck Tennis Pavilion. Notre Dame (15-12) missed the opportunity to play in the final round last season. The team now moves to 7-5 all-time in Big East title matches.

“When we did not achieve the clear goal of winning the Big East, I was proud of the way we competed against South Florida in the semifinals to reach the final against Louisville,” Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said.

Saint Mary’s used an all-around performance Friday at Blackhorn Golf Club and did just enough Saturday at Notre Dame’s Warren Golf Course to claim the top overall spot in the MIAA qualifying rounds, earning its fifth trip to the national championships.

The Belles took third to Olivet and Hope this weekend with their score of 348, but a shot total of 992 in the Notre Dame three MIAA contests this spring gives them the best over Olivet’s total of 1,000.

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