**ND joins community to commemorate Robinson Community Learning Center’s 10th year**

By ANNA BOARINI
News Writer

The Robinson Community Learning Center (RCLC) celebrated its 10th Anniversary Friday. The Center was established under the tenure of University President Fr. Emeritus Edward “Monk” Malloy.

“This is a chance to celebrate and recognize that great things happen when good people pull together their knowledge resources to help the young, old and everyone in between,” Malloy said at a celebration Friday.

The accomplishments and collaborations of the Center were on full display Friday night at an open house held for the community.

“It is always important to set ambitious goals, but also important to celebrate our successes.” University President Fr. John Jenkins said.

Some of the programs based at the RCLC are a Lego Robotics team, an entrepreneurship program and a youth Shakespeare troupe.

Charrell Lucky, a student who participates in the youth Shakespeare troupe, performed Sonnet 40 and a scene from Henry VI.

“The RCLC is a blessing for me and my family,” Lucky said.

Take Ten, a violence prevention program in local public schools also celebrated. The RCLC is home to the program, which serves 16 schools in the South Bend Mishawaka community, as well as the Center for the Homeless, all Boys and Girls clubs and community centers.

John Iless, a local principal, received the James A. Kapsa award for his work with Take Ten.

“Take Ten works best when the principal steps up and is strong and instrumental to making Take Ten a success.” Ellen Kyes, director of the Take Ten program, said while presenting the award.

Two members of the RCLC received an award for their participation. Isaiah Crudup won the James A. Roemer award presented to a youth participant that has excelled in the Center’s programs and Alfreda Bedding won the Dr. Dale O. Grayson award honoring an adult in the RCLC education programs.

The Renelda Robinson Award, named after the Robinson Community Learning Center Friday. The Center celebrated its 10th anniversary with a public open house.

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**Campus heightens assault awareness**

By MARISA IATI
News Writer

Students can learn about sexual assault prevention and campus resources as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Week, which began Sunday and will continue until next Sunday.

Elizabeth Moriarty, assistant director of the Gender Relations Center, said the week raises awareness of rape and sexual assault in the Notre Dame community, shows support for survivors and highlights education and prevention efforts on campus.

“We want to give [students] ideas about how we can prevent rape and sexual assault from happening and give hope to people that have been victimized,” Moriarty said. “There is a community that wants to help them in their healing process.”

Moriarty said the campus needs to acknowledge sexual assault and demonstrate care and concern.

The Gender Relations Center organizes Sexual Assault Awareness Week as part of the Arts and Sciences (AAAS), to be co-chaired by Richard Brodhead, president of Duke University, and John Rowe, chair and chief executive officer of Exelon Corp. The commission includes prominent Americans from the humanities, social sciences, physical and life sciences, business, law, philanthropy, the arts and the media.

The commission was spurred by a bipartisan request from U.S. Sens. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.) and Mark Warner (D-Va.) and Reps. Tom Petri (R-Wisc.) and David Price (D-N.C.). They presented the commission with the following charge:

“What are the top 10 actions that Congress, state govern-
What do you think Victoria’s secret really is?
Rosenfeld: I think that it is Victoria is really Victor.

What do you think of the weather outside?
Rosenfeld: I think it’s very wet.

What’s your favorite movie?
Rosenfeld: My favorite movie is “It’s a Wonderful Life,” because my family always watches it during Christmas time.

What is your favorite pick up line?
Rosenfeld: None, because pick up lines aren’t good.

What are you doing for Spring Break?
Rosenfeld: I plan on going to LA with Maureen Flaherty to go tanning and meet movie stars.

Know someone chill for Monday’s Icebreaker? E-mail obsphoto@gmail.com
Parents spend weekend with juniors on campus

By NICOLE TOCZAUSER
News Writer

For the past three days, Notre Dame juniors and parents roamed campus to experience events offered by this year’s celebration of the annual Junior Parents Weekend (JPW).

"A lot of families come. It’s like another football weekend," JPW 2011 chairperson Erin Connors said.

The weekend began Friday evening, Connors said, with an Opening Gala that featured a cash bar, DJ and photographer.

"I loved the Gala because we got dinner with our family first and you got to see everyone’s parents," she said. "People would say, ‘You look so much like your mom or your dad.’"

Parents and juniors attended college workshops Saturday morning, Connors said. In the workshops, parents learned about what their sons and daughters have studied the past three years.

Junior Stephanie Ruas went to the Mendoza presentation with her parents.

"I introduced them to one of my professors and then we went off to a breakout group for marketing," she said.

Later, juniors and parents emerged from dorms Saturday evening clad in formal attire for the mass and President’s Dinner with University President Fr. John Jenkins. More than 4,000 people attended, Connors said. Fr. Tom Doyle, vice president for Student Affairs, gave a homily accompanied by an opening and closing prayer by University President Emeritus Fr. Edward “Monk” Malloy and Ryan Hall rector Bryan Turufillo.

Sunday, parents said goodbye at the Closing Brunch where University President Emeritus Fr. Theodore Hesburgh gave a closing benediction. Chuck Lennon, executive director of the Alumni Association, also gave a farewell speech.

While activities and academic presentations were major components of the weekend, Ruas said showing her parents how she lived on campus was the most important part.

"I really wanted to show them what I spent my time doing,” she said. “They met all of my friends.”

As parents returned home, campus activity settled down once again and juniors prepared for the week ahead.

“It’s an exhausting process,” junior Drew Davis said. “But it’s a treat having my parents in town and it was a lot of fun.”

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Juniors and their parents gather at the Opening Gala on Friday night. The Gala included a cash bar, DJ and photographer.

Parents and students attend an Arts and Letters reception in McKenna Hall Saturday. Parents learned about what their children have studied in the past three years.

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College urges students to love their bodies

By CAITLIN HOUSLEY
News Writer

This week, members of Saint Mary’s Student Government Association (SGA) are reminding others of the importance of loving their bodies.

The Body Week was the idea of Saint Mary’s junior Laura Glaub. SGA’s student services coordinator and the middle of a major and women’s studies minor, Glaub noticed how often body issues are discussed in her coursework.

Not long after, Glaub noticed that some of her friends were demonstrating the same body discourse as a yoga instructor Mary Labuzinski at 6 p.m. in a conference room from a conference.

“Mary says we all need fifteen minutes of laughter each day to remain healthy, so I wanted people to get their laugh in for the day,” Glaub said.

This event is especially fun and the topic was kept light, Glaub said, because it teaches students “you don’t need to be on a treadmill to love your body.”

Later that night, Professor Bettina Spencer and Saint Mary’s student Gina Storti will give a lecture, “Love Your Body?”

The presentation will be rich with interviews and models and fashion industry professionals describe the history of body image in the past, and their views on the con.

cept of thinness in the fashion industry.

Grasso has interned with Elite Models and is starting New York Fashion Week in 2010 and 2011. She also interned with Nanette Lepore at the most recent fashion week in February.

These internships have altered her perception of the fashion world and its impact on the public.

“We only see the finished product, the glossy images of seemingly flawless women. Grassi said that many people do not see, though, is the heavy preparation that goes into a photo shoot— up to 12 hours of hair and makeup and photo editing.”

“Fashion, at its core, is a business and its purpose is to sell clothing. Calvin Klein redefined the line, it has become less about selling confectionary design and more about getting us to a body-type as a utopian lifestyle. I am absolutely in love with it, but I don’t think many people have to be mindful of my own imperfections.”

Grasso stresses the impor.

tance of Love Your Body Week on all women’s campuses.

“In today’s society as a whole there is a beauty standard, and it is only one kind of beauty, and that perfection is the vehicle to suc.

cess,” and Grassi said. “It is in this relentless pur.

suit, though, that we find any thing but. As Glaub states, these imperfections are what make a person interesting, unique (and) beautiful.”

Grasso also said this week is important to Desailed because it provides an open forum for women to talk about their con.

cerns, achievements and aspiration.

SGA will also be distributing T-shirts with buttons in the Student Center today and during the event to stimulate conversation on the topic for the students.

I don’t want people to have to pay to love their bodies,” Glaub said.

Events are free and open to the public.

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Seventh Generation founder discusses responsible business

By CHRISTIAN MYERS
News Writer

Jeffrey Hollender, co-founder and former CEO of Seventh Generation, was recently at Saint Mary’s College to speak about socially responsible business practices to the Mendoza Collabo.

Hollender’s lecture, “The Future of American Business,” was held in the Collins Student Center Speaker Series, which explores ideas likely to affect society and business for the next decade.

Hollender, a career entrepreneur, started two businesses prior to co-founding Seventh Generation, a company that pro.

duces natural household and personal care products. He started Seventh Generation with his wife and created a new kind of company — one focused on both ethical and sustainable.

Hollender believes in the merits of fair trade, the idea that if there are no studies and stat.
tistics that say employees are more productive and engaged when they have some sort of ownership in the company they work for.

Radical transparency is another concept that hails from the Seventh Generation. According to Hollender, radical transparency is a business sharing both its suc-
scesses and its mistakes with investors and the public.

“(Radical transparency) is diffi-
cult to maintain,” he said. “Most companies don’t talk about what they are doing well ... We in the business world usually don’t talk about it at all.”

Organic inputs and products were the backbone of Seventh Generation’s sustainability commit.

ment. They produce toilet paper made from recycled post.

erage, non-chlorine bleached, phosphate free cleaning products and more.

Hollender’s concept of pay equality is that CEO’s and other business executives are being paid too much. As CEO of Seventh Generation he limited his pay to 17 times the pay of the lowest wage earner in the company, which deter.

mines your own salary,” Hollender said.

In 2008, Hollender stepped down after eight years as CEO of Seventh Generation and continued to work for the company.

Then, about six months ago he was hired back by Seventh Generation, which he attributes to disagreements about the direc.

tion of the company with, amongst himself and the board of direc.

tors.

“(Being fired) is an experience I plan to learn from ... At Seventh Generation, I think it was more than an exception to the rule,” he said. “Now, I want to be more proactive in making more positive changes.”

Hollender now works as an author, speaker, consultant and activist. He has consulted with corporations such as Microsoft and Wal-Mart. He is a board member of Greenpeace U.S., the Love Your Body Foundation, Corporate Verite, a workers’ rights organi.

zation.

Hollender is also co-founder of the American Sustainable Business Council, a non-profit of business leaders committed to sustainability and changing busi.

ness practices.

In regards to the current eco.

nomic situation, Hollender brought up the high unemploy.

ment rate and the growing number of students without a job.

“The income gap here in America is greater than in either Egypt or Tunisia,” he said. “In fact, today one in seven Americans is living in poverty.”

“However, the ‘rules’ were the main focus of Hollender’s assess.

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“We have a system that pro-

vides incentives for businesses to do the wrong thing,” Hollender said.

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ducers of organic products. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food.

“Target, for instance, has done a great job pricing green produ.

cts down to the price of conven.

t products,” Hollender said.

Government subsidies of petrol.

leaded products are also a big problem, Hollender said. He said he thinks these subsidies should be gradually removed so that there is incentive for more envi.

ronmentally friendly alternatives and for a change in consumer behaviors.

“I think that gas should cost six or seven dollars,” he said. “There are a lot of things that are negative is that low-income indi.

viduals are most affected, that would have to somehow off.

set another problem, according to Hollender, is that society pays for air and water pollution rather than the corporations causing the pollution.

One concept Hollender advan.

tages is to look at the business sustainability matrix. According to Hollender, full-cost accounting could shift producers of organic products. He explained that Seventh Generation could afford to pay more than non-organic brands because the government subsi.

dizes new timber but where it is cheaper than recycled materials.

This problem is mirrored in the retail industry, according to Hollender. Hollender said some retailers tend to mark-up organic products to a greater extent than other products. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food. Hollender pointed to the example of America’s third largest producer of organic products. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food. Hollender said he believes that, until there is parity in pricing, organic products will not be able to compete. However, he believes there is a trend away from organic food.

Hollender finished by calling on the audience to work on addressing the types of issues he discussed. “It’s really up to you, he said. “How much of a world are you willing to dedicate to solving these problems.”

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2/23
Mass of Healing
10pm Dillon Hall Chapel

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2/24
“Teal Out Thursday”: Wear teal shirts and ribbons

2/25
“You Are Not Alone” Reception
1-5pm ND Room of LaFortune

SOS Rape Crisis Center Fundraiser
5-8pm Legends

2/26
Self Defense Class (women only)
2-4pm LaFortune Ballroom

2/27
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received the Rev. Don McNeill C.S.C. award, which is presented to a Notre Dame student volunteer, for her dedication to the Shakespeare program at the center. The Arthur Quigly award is given to a distinguished Notre Dame faculty or staff member. This year’s recipient was Nicole MacLaughlin, a professor of English that partnered youth participants in the Shakespeare troupe and her students. She also received a grant that allowed her to take 22 Notre Dame and 16 RCLC students to Chicago to see Romeo and Juliet.

“[The RCLC is] the heart and home of the east side,” Jasmine Brown, RCLC advisory board co-chair, said. “We need to be the visionaries of the future and the philanthropists of tomorrow.”

Jay Caponigro, the current Notre Dame director of community engagement and first director of the RCLC, said he is confident the RCLC will continue on strong due to the great people and community that make the center what it is.

Jenkins

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Jenkins was elected to the AAAS in 2010. Other members of the commission are Amy Gutmann, John Hennessy, John Sexton, Donna Shalala and David Skorton, the presidents of the University of Pennsylvania and Stanford, New York, Miami and Cornell Universities, respectively; Robert Berdahl, president of the Association of American Universities; documentary Ken Burns; musician Emmy Lou Harris; retired Supreme Court Justice David Souter; actor John Lithgow; director George Lucas; and Charles Vest, president of the National Academy of Engineering and former president of MIT.

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SUZANNA PRATT/The Observer

Student body president Catherine Soler speaks Friday at the Robinson Community Learning Center’s 10th anniversary celebration. The Center opened in early 2001.
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Elizabeth Moriarty assistant director Gender Relations Center

“...continued from page 1 part of its violence prevention initiative, Moriarty said. The Center recruits student government, clubs and organizations, athletic teams and academic departments to co-sponsor events.

A lot of times it’s a private and internal issue that people deal with,” Moriarty said. “Trying to increase understanding of that is one of the main issues of the week.”

The Gender Relations Center will host a Mass of Healing in Dillon Hall Wednesday. This is the first year that Sexual Assault Awareness Week has included a Mass at which the liturgy is devoted to healing from rape and sexual assault. Victims may choose to receive the Anointing of the Sick at this Mass.

Take Back the Night will not be part of Sexual Assault Awareness Week this year, Moriarty said. This event includes a march as a public statement against sexual assault, a speak-out for people to tell their stories and a public gathering celebrating that people can join together in the fight against sexual assault. Take Back the Night will be April 28 this year.

Moriarty said another important difference this year is the Gender Relations Center’s effort to involve other campus groups in the events.

“We’re really trying to be more intentional about reaching out to other departments and student groups to get them involved [and] to try to make this a campus initiative instead of just a Gender Relations Center initiative,” Moriarty said.

Sunday, the liturgies in campus Masses will focus on healing from sexual violence. On Tuesday, the Gender Relations Center will host the annual A Time to Heal Dinner at which community members can discuss issues related to sexual assault.

“A Time to Heal [is] a unique opportunity for people to hear faculty, students and staff speak about healing from sexual assault from their own perspectives,” Moriarty said.

“A Time to Heal can be a very challenging thing,” Moriarty said. “A lot of people having a conversation sitting around the dinner table in the Christian community, that’s a pretty important metaphor.”

Senior Mariah McGrogan is co-chair of the student government Gender Issues Committee. She was heavily involved in planning Sexual Assault Awareness Week and will speak at the A Time to Heal Dinner.

“I’m going to be talking about how people can overcome what is sometimes awkward about talking about sexual assault in order to take an active role in preventing it,” McGrogan said. “The communal aspect is very important in something like a dinner for A Time to Heal.”

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Mariah McGrogan co-chair Gender Issues Committee

The You Are Not Alone movement is an initiative in which student organizations, residence halls, departments and offices will create quilt squares to say Notre Dame will not stand for sexual assault, McGrogan said. These squares will become part of a quilt that McGrogan hopes will be complete by the Gender Relations Center’s Festival on the Quad on the last day of classes.

McGrogan said she hopes Sexual Assault Awareness Week will enable survivors of sexual violence to gain a sense of community and take a step in their healing processes. She also hopes students that have not been directly affected by sexual assault will gain a better understanding of how sexual assault affects the Notre Dame community.

Moriarty said students and faculty are working to make Notre Dame a safer place.

“The good news is that we will have the power to make a difference, to stop these things from happening and to make our campus safer places,” Moriarty said. “I hope that [survivors] know that there are people here that want to help them. . . . so they know they’re not alone.”

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Walking around campus, you see people huddled in groups, scurrying from building to building. You see couples holding hands and friends sharing earbuds, jamming out to music, hollering shouts and screams and laughing between friends. I'm always fascinated by how we can create bonds like this. You see a freshman with no relationship to anyone and by the time second semester rolls around, we each have a network of individuals we talk to.

From the best friend to the study buddy, from the roommate to the person that Paul disapproves of not only socially but religiously, and the Leviticus passages is the same sex that overwhelms pagan affiliation. As a result, we may find ourselves in a situation where we are not comfortable in our dorms and fit in if we conform to what others around us. Perhaps the ever so prevalent topics of the lack of diversity or the loss of identity at Notre Dame students.

Somehow from that first meeting, these three people become some of my closest friends ever.

Our walls are littered with posters that we've snatched off walls, a bear from the Huddle (it holds crackers) named Carlos and a poster of what looks like a $20 bill strung from the ceiling. We're an insane, wonderful little family.

Antioch campus, I've met people and then have found out that their roommate is a pretty cool person. Later I realize that actually living together gives us a chance to get to know each other better. It becomes a third home to me (after California and Fairley of course!)

There are people I can't even remember originally talking to, but have somehow formed a link with. At North Dining Hall, I always say hi to one of the workers, Paul. We talk about our weeks; I ask Kevin Hall, I always say hi to one of the workers in the Huddle (it holds crackers) named Carlos and a poster of what looks like a $20 bill strung from the ceiling.

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In this larger context, the laws of these Leviticus chapters exist because they set the Hebrew people apart from non-Israelites by their religious beliefs, ethnicity or thoughts. We rush to label someone entirely based on their political views, religious beliefs, ethnicity or thoughts, and it is not some random computer generated stereotype. We form the stereotypes, those before us and thus continue the trend. We form the stereotypes, not some random computer generated stereotype.

One way this issue has become amplified here is through the obsessive use of labels. Too many times we rush to label someone entirely based on their political views, religious beliefs, ethnicity or thoughts, and it is not some random computer generated stereotype. We form the stereotypes, those before us and thus continue the trend. We form the stereotypes, not some random computer generated stereotype.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In Chris Damriani's article "Acting for love," (Feb. 16) he mentions the Church's stance on gay marriage which he calls "silly and unchristian". Here I will argue against this discrimination and against any modern practice of homosexual condemnation we find in the Bible. The Book of Leviticus contains the most explicit denunciations of homosexuality. In both chapters 18 and 20, it is stated that a man shall not lie with another man as with a woman. "To put this in context, we need to understand these chapters of Leviticus as a whole. Chapter 18 of Leviticus begins with, "You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, ... and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan. ... You shall not follow their statutes. My ordinances you shall observe and my statutes you shall keep..." (Lev. 18:3-4). Chapter 20 begins similarly with God distinguishing His people from the pagan god and their worshiping activities.

In this larger context, the laws of these Leviticus chapters exist because they set the Hebrew people apart from non-Israelites by their behavior. As the pagan people included homosexual activity in their religious beliefs, this implied homosexuality became taboo for the Israelites. The Hebrew God did want his Israelite people to be different from those around them so that they too would become more distinguished. To help clarify, keep in mind that the Hebrew word for "holy" — "kudosh" — means "separate" or "different." Since many gods were worshipped at this time, a distinctive people would result in a distinctive — and possibly superior — God.

The New Testament also accepts homosexuality with similar reasoning to that of the Old Testament. In Romans 1:26-27, Paul denounces the lust and passion for members of the same sex that overpowers pagan men and women in their orgies. Yet, a noted difference between this passage and the Leviticus passages is that Paul disapproves of not only male homosexual activity but also lesbian activity. This distinction gives more credit to the theory that homosexuality is sinful because of its pagan origins. If unfruitfulness were the reason for its sinful nature, lesbian sexual activity would have been accepted because of its connection with pagan worship, not lack of fertility.

While the Church and Christianity place emphasis on many rules and ways of life that ameliorate society, it appears to me that prohibiting homosexual love and activity is a trivial law amongst the countless laws in Leviticus that were made to separate the Israelites from the non-Israelites. As we do not follow many of these laws today, I see no reason to believe based on the Bible that homosexuality is an unnatural or detrimental sexual orientation.

Ethan Bailey
Sophomore
Memorax Manor
Feb. 17
My head pounded vehemently against the walls of my chest. I felt it would never stop pounding. I felt like I was drowning. I put my mind, my body, my heart, to face what I was about to. I had nowhere to stand and nowhere to hide. My heart told me, to stop, to use my hands to defend myself. I did not have the luxury of a choice. I could not lose. I could have lost. These bloodshot eyes saw no good. Watch what you say — worsted times, broken dreams and violent colors so obscure, my heart knows no reprieve. Vast do not betray, dismay or enslave you, they will set you free. The beauty of a fist is that it is made to be. They said serve God, love God and your friends. Lived and bruised, we are friends. You know me and I know you. Let it be the choice of a few thing that is problem. I walked away from the ring having indeed etched the constitution of my moral fiber. The fears and faults melted away as I know to live my life as it is. I felt inordinate pressure. It was remarkable that we can ever know what we are. But, it is possible to determine what we can be. Often, I have to deal with three people: the person I think is the person the world am and then there is the person I really am. The only person I face in the ring of life is the person I think is the truth. If I am convinced of a fact, if I am a fighter, not a particularly good one, but I am a fighter. In the ring of life, there is one I see at feet and one who does not. I fought today and I am happy I did. I did not fight any enemy or enslave you, they will set you free. They said serve God, love God and your friends. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Gravity’s Power

Alexis Courage

A middle school track meet and the force of determination

Trust Fall Fail

Self-help guru with no spatial awareness

Golden Tate Dives into the MSU Marching Band: A Music Video

This is never not awesome

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Easy Like Monday Morning

by Adriana Pratt

1. “Can’t Go Back Now” - The Weepies
2. “Murder in the City” - The Avett Brothers
3. “If I Am a Stranger” - Ryan Adams & The Cardinals
4. “Green Eyes” - Coldplay
5. “Why Georgia” - John Mayer
6. “The One I Love” - David Gray
7. “Oh My Sweet Carolina” - Ryan Adams
8. “I Would Be Sad” - The Avett Brothers
9. “I Would Be Sad” - The Avett Brothers
10. “Till Kingdom Come” - Coldplay
11. “Awake My Soul” - Mumford & Sons
12. “Love Lost” - The Temper Trap

After a weekend full of back-to-back events, hours spent studying and late nights followed by late mornings, it’s difficult to get back into the swing of the school week. Ease your way in with a relaxing playlist that will calm your nerves and direct your focus.

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Billy Ocean once sang “When the goin’ gets tough, the tough get goin’.” Well, where I come from when the going gets tough, the tough get their stilettos.

Yes, I can just hear your mind, dear reader, screaming in collegiate fashionista fervor as it finds itself at this crossroads of the fashion jungle.

You can feel your feet throbbing in pleasure and pain even as you imagine that most amazing, jaw-dropping high-heeled creation you coveted on your last weekend jaunt to the Mall. You say:

But high heels are for crazy nights dancing away my latest exam cares, for interviews in which they must be a sleek counterpart to my boring, “take-me-seriously-even-though-I’m-a-secret-glitter-nail-polish-wearing-die-hard-fashion-worshiper-who-hopes-she-fails-this-interview-so-she-can-go-work-at-VOGUE” black suit.

Sashay into class in a high pair of heels that proclaim my embrace and presentation of my aesthetic appearance to be just as important as my mind which I spend evening upon evening cramming with historical, mathematical and scientific facts?

Actually, why the heck not?

If there was ever one kernel of inspiration we could take from our European counterparts it would be their dedication to put on that extra layer of red lipstick when running to the open-air market, to spritz on Chanel No. 5 while on their way to swiftly pick up a bottle of wine for dinner, to put on killer heels even though 17th century cobblestones threaten them on every street.

Now, mind you, I’m not saying these same counterparts are elegant all the time. I myself was once part of a dastardly tumble involving high heels, a very eye-catching orange straw bag, a fruity drink and an Italian pop star — all in front of a beach full of people (feel free to pester me for more details). But they can, like the paintings of the Louvre, inspire us to do it our own high-heeled way, the American way: bigger and better!

When choosing a stiletto there are two things to consider: fit and height. Never buy a high heel too small or too big. No more than half an inch should be between the toes and the front of the shoe — this will be highly evident if the item in question is a peep-toe or a sandal. No more than a quarter of an inch between your heel and the back of the shoe — this avoids uncomfortable blisters on the balls of your feet. Never buy a pair of heels that is too high for you. The smallest stiletto will usually be about 3.5 inches high, while for the sky-scraping desirous among us, 5 inches should do. Examine your calf muscle while trying it on — too much tension (i.e. looking as if you are about to sprint) is not good, but “relaxed tension” is the look we’re going for. A platform stiletto may give you a better sense of security.

Wear a pair of stilettos with jeans and a sweater to spice up a casual look, pair them with fishnets to toughen up an elegant walking short, or go all out and pair them with your best dress. Color is a free-for-all. Match them to your bag, don’t match them to your bag, whatever you choose no one will be able to look away as you make campus your own catwalk. Forever 21 currently has a pair of red stilettos with a flirty bow for a cool $26.80. Tough never looked so chic.

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After a fun weekend, Catherine is getting ready to start a new and busy school week with style. She layers many dark toned tops that go perfectly with her black winter jacket. She also made the great choice of wearing a cool printed scarf.

To complete the look, her bright red rain boots add color and a little bit of fun to her outfit.

Catherine looks effortlessly chic!

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ND WOMEN’S SWIMMING

Irish women snap conference title streak at 14

By VICKY JACOBSEN
Sports Writer

Northeast’s streak of Big East Championship dominance came to an end Saturday when the Irish finished the championship meet with 655.5 points, second to Louisville’s 820.5. Though the Irish, 5-7, were disappointed to see their run of 14 consecutive conference titles snapped at Louisville’s Wright Natatorium, strong individual performances and a second-place finish gave Notre Dame plenty to be proud of.

“It was hard to lose to Louisville, but honestly we came together as a team and we had a great time at the meet,” senior swimmer Katie Casey said. “We’ve had a really long last year, so I think the fact that we performed well at the meet is something to be really excited about.”

The strong swimming of sophomore Kim Holden and freshman Maresa Ryan buoyed the Irish throughout the meet.

Holden won both the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke, the second year in a row she swept the events. Her 200-yard time of 1:55.18 broke the school record that she set last season. She also became the first female Big East swimmer to swim the 100-yard backstroke in under 53 seconds after finishing with a time of 52.99, a feat made all the more impressive by the fact that she trained her competition by over a second half way through the race.

Holden also took third place in the 100-yard butterfly, claiming an NCAA B-cut time along with Casey, who finished in fourth place.

Holden was joined in the spotlight by Ryan, who was outstanding in her first Big East Championship meet. Ryan took the 200-yard freestyle in dominating fashion, winning her first Big East title after leading the field for the entire four-pool length of the race. Ryan also won the 100-yard freestyle with a NCAA B-cut time of 49.73. She beat out second-place finisher Aileen Cole of Louisville and teammate Amy Prestinario, a junior who finished third with another NCAA B-cut performance.

Ryan also scored points in the 200-yard backstroke, coming in third place, and anchored both the victorious 400-yard freestyle and medley relays. The 400-yard freestyle relay, one of the last events of the meet, was a highlight of the week for Notre Dame.

“We already knew that we were going to get second overall in the meet, but they won the last relay and it was really exciting to watch and kind of put a bow on it,” Casey said.

The relay squad, which featured Prestinario, senior Lauren Parisi and sophomore Lauren Scott in addition to Ryan, trialed Louisville for the first three legs of the race. But Ryan stole the lead from the home team on the on the last lap, allowing the Irish to finish the day with a victory.

The Irish were also encouraged by the return of head coach Brian Barnes, who has been away for much of the season for personal reasons.

“It was awesome to have him back. He came back about a week and a half before we left, and then he was there for the entire weekend,” Casey said. “It was really nice to have him back coaching us and telling us to have our eyes on the pool. It made the team come together.”

Notre Dame will learn which swimmers have qualified for the NCAA Championships with two weeks. The championship meet will begin on March 17 in Austin, Texas.

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MEN’S SWIMMING

Notre Dame takes second at Big East tournament

By MATTHEW ROBISON
Sports Writer

For the second consecutive season, Notre Dame finished as the runner-up in the Big East championship, behind Louisville, who hosted this year’s tournament, as swimmers set six school records in the four-day event.

“The team performed quite well,” Irish coach Tim Welsh said. “I measured this by lifetime best times. We set a number of personal best times, lifetime best times. We had those all over the place.”

The previous weekend, Notre Dame captured first place in the diving portion of the championships. So going into the swimming section, the Irish had a lead. However, a strong conference field and a swift Louisville team overcame that lead.

“It’s always a very intense meet,” Welsh said. “Louisville is very strong and they have been for a number of years.”

Louisville took the crown with 917 points. The Irish finished with 713.5, ahead of Pittsburgh at 503 and West Virginia at 470 in the 11-team field. “There’s some improvement throughout the conference,” Welsh said. “I thought that the field did a very nice job. All five Notre Dame relay teams met the NCAA consideration standard, and several individuals met the requirements as well.

The most impressive overall performance of the event was turned in by freshman Frank Byer. With a strong season already under his belt, Dyer came into the championships and claimed four Big East honors and a chance to compete in the NCAA tournament.

“That was just spectacular,” Welsh said. “This season has just been one wonderful achievement after another. He just had a marvelous, marvelous meet.”

Other than Dyer, several other Notre Dame swimmers made notable performances in individual events.

The 200-yard backstroke, senior Petar Petrovic took fourth place and senior Michael Sullivan took fifth. Behind them was junior Christopher Wills in seventh and freshman man Bertie Nel in eighth.

In an event in which Dyer finished third, sophomore Kevin Overholt took sixth in the 100-yard freestyle. Sophomore Bill Biss took fifth in the 200-yard butterfly.

Up next for the Irish who have qualified are the NCAA Zone Diving Championships March 11-13 in Columbus, Ohio, and the NCAA Championships held March 24-26 in Minneapolis.

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Irish sophomore Lauren Scott competes in the Shamrock Invitational in January.

Irish women men's swimming conference title streak at 14
**Men’s Track and Field**

Team finishes second in attempt to defend title

By JOE WIRTH
Spren Winter

The Irish failed to defend their 2010 Big East title this past weekend, placing second at the Big East Championships held in Akron, Ohio. Connecticut took the championship with 136.75 points. The Irish did not repeat their indoor championship run of the last year, but their second place finish with 132 points was still very impressive.

One of the bright spots in Notre Dame’s performance was in the 4x800-meter relay. With a team comprised of seniors Kevin Labus and Jack Howard, junior Johnathan Shawel and sophomore Jeremy Rae, the Irish set Big East and track records with their 7.25.31 time — the fastest posted time in the nation this year in the event.

After the record-setting relay, the Irish pulled to within six points of the Huskies and were poised to take over the lead with only the 4x400-meter relay remaining on the race slate. The Irish earned five points out of the race, but Connecticut registered 3.75 points enough for them to clinch the championship.

Despite not winning the indoor championships, the Irish still won many Big East titles and earned multiple all-Big East honors throughout the season.

The Irish excelled in the 1,000-meter event, registering the top two finishers. Shawel crossed the finish line first with a time of 2:26.94 and junior Jordan Carlson, who also earned an all-Big East selection, came across less than one second later with a time of 2:27.47.

Freshman Patrick Feneey won the Big East title in the 400-meter dash, registering a time of 48.11. Feneey had to hold off Villanova sophomore Carline Bowers down the stretch to take home the crown.

Senior Diones Veres was all-Big East in the shot put with a throw of 17.33 meters. This all-Big East selection is the sixth such honors Veres has earned in his four years in South Bend.

The Irish will be in action next at home for the Alex Wilson Invitational Friday and Saturday.

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**NFL**

Tense labor negotiations continue

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federally mediated negotiations toward a new NFL labor deal lasted about eight hours Sunday, the third consecutive day the league and its players’ union met to try to find common ground before the current contract expires.

NFL Players Association executive director DeMaurice Smith didn’t stop for questions as he left the Washington office of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, a U.S. government agency, shortly after 6 p.m. He and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell arrived within minutes of each other, shortly before 10 a.m.

After months of slow and sometimes contentious bargaining, the sides have met for a total of more than 20 hours since Friday in front of George Cohen, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Because both sides agreed to Cohen’s request that they not comment publicly on these negotiations, it’s not clear what, if any, progress is being made.

“Although we’re not going to give you any information,” NFL outside lawyer Bob Batterman said as he left with three league executives. “I can’t say anything other than the fact that we are meeting.”

Batterman, who represented the NHL when it lost its entire 2004-05 season to a lockout, then referred to Cohen as a “first-class mediator.”

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**Men's Tennis**

**Team splits with Michigan, UNC**

**By KATE GRABAREK**

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By SPENCER TALMDALE

**NASCAR**

**20-year-old Bayne wins at Daytona**

**Associated Press**

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Trevor Bayne finally made a mistake. Fortunately for him, it didn’t happen until he missed the turn pulling into Victory Lane at the Daytona 500.

The youngest driver to win the Great American Race gave the historic Wood Brothers team its fifth Daytona 500 victory — its first since 1976 with David Pearson — and Bayne did it in a No. 21 Ford that was retrofitted to resemble Pearson’s famed ride.

In just his second Sprint Cup start, the 20-year-old Bayne stunned NASCAR’s biggest names with a thrilling overtime win Sunday at Daytona International Speedway, holding off Carl Edwards after fan favorite Dale Earnhardt Jr. crashed in NASCAR’s first attempt at a green-white-checkered flag finish.

“Our first 500, are you kidding me?” said Bayne, who needed directions to Victory Lane. “Wow. This is unbelievable.”

Unbelievable, indeed.

Just one day after celebrating his 20th birthday and leaving his teenage years behind, the aw-shucks Tennessean who sharpened his week and considers “Rugrats” his favorite TV show captured the sport’s biggest prize.

When he found himself at the front, and victory just two laps away, he never thought it would happen. Still, he said he had been leading an easy there at the end.

The rookie had been great throughout Speedweeks, even proving his mettle by pushing four-time champion Jeff Gordon for most of a qualifying race, a performance that has said convinced the veterans he could be trusted on the track.

I figured they had a chance after seeing that boy race in the 156,” said Pearson, who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in May. “I talked to him this morning. I told him to keep his head straight and not to do anything crazy. I told him to stay relaxed. I’m proud of him.

With the win Bayne breaks Gordon’s mark as the youngest winner in Daytona 500 history. Gordon was 25 when he won the 500 in 1997.

“I think it’s very cool. Trevor’s a good kid, and I love the Wood Brothers,” Gordon said. “I’m really happy for him. And I think it’s great for the sport. To have a young talent like that — he’s got that spark, you know?”

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Trevor Bayne celebrates in victory lane after winning the Daytona 500 Sunday. Bayne won one day after his 20th birthday.

**Bryant wins MVP as West takes All-Star game**

**Associated Press**

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Baddeley victorious at Riviera

Singh, who only three weeks ago had fallen out of the top 100 in the world for the first time in more than 21 years, has reached his highest finish since he won the Deutsche Bank Championship in 2008 on his way to finishing fifth in the FedEx Cup. Despite back-to-back bogeys on the one and two holes, he gave himself a chance to the very end.

Singh said it was the best week with the putter in his career, which won him his 2000 Masters victory. He took only 105 puts for the week, which included six three-putts in the second round.

That’s a great, great thing to have on the back nine,” Singh said. “I haven’t done that for a long, long time. This is going to get me some places.”

Baddeley, who finished at 12-under 272, won for the first time since the 2007 Phoenix Open. He had been one of the early proponents of the “Stick & Tie” swinging method until deciding to change his swing to the traditional method of Dale Lynch, two years ago. His goal was to be able to move the ball better by way of swinging without having to think about it, and the swing held up just fine on a sunny afternoon at the St. Augustine Pavilion.

“Try to be honest, it felt like coming home,” Baddeley said of his return to Lynch, his first coach as a teenager in Australia. “Dale and I have spent a lot of hours together, and at times it’s been frustrating, but like I said, that end product ... we knew what we were working toward, and that was the key.”

Kevin Na made good putts on the last two holes, but he just didn’t feel that he put them alone in third place.

Couple was showing his age on the practice range, where his back is so tender that he only warsms up with a driver and fairway metals to stay more upright. With a driver in hand, he leed up a bit to keep from stooping over.

“I looked like the Couples of old,” he said.

Couples opened with three straight birdies to bring Riviera to life, just like the old days. He chipped in for birdie from just off the second green, pointing his club to the cup with his left hand in a pose that has become familiar over the years. Then he came a 20-foot birdie on the third to give him the outright lead.

By KELSEY MANNING Sports Writer

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ND WOMEN’S TRACK AND FIELD

Irish finish eighth in Big East

By SAM GANS
Sports Writer

Led by a first place finish from sophomore Rebecca Tracy in the mile, the Irish finished eighth in the Big East Championships this weekend.

The Irish earned 56 points in the 14-team meet, which took place on Akron, Ohio. Louisville finished first with 110 points.

Irish coach Joe Piane said he was pleased with the team’s effort and result.

“They competed very well. We have a long way to go, but it was a good, solid performance for them.”

Tracy, who set the second-fastest mile time in the nation earlier in the season, won the event with a time of 4:46.61, narrowly edging Villanova freshman Emily Lipari, who finished at 4:46.80.

Piane mentioned that, while winning is an impressive feat itself, Tracy’s youth and participation in other events makes the win even more impressive.

“We’re really proud of her. And she’s young — she’s only a sophomore, so she did a wonderful job,” Piane said. “And not only was she in the mile, she was also the leadoff leg in the distance medley and ran a leg in the two-mile relay. She did a fantastic job.”

The Irish had a number of other strong performances, which included two other milers who scored at the meet from sophomore Aragon (fifth, 4:54.66) and senior Marissa Treece (eighth, 5:01.39). In addition, senior Rudy Atang finished sixth in the shotput, with a distance of 14.73 meters.

Though the Big East Championships were a strong performance for the Irish, there is not much dwell on them, as they return home for the Alex Wilson Invitational in two weeks.

“(The Wilson) is a good meet, it really is,” Piane said. “There are always a lot of national qualifiers [that come out of that meet].”

While there are many quality runners competing in the meet, it’s also an important meet for another reason, as it marks the last time runners can qualify for the NCAA Championships the following week.

“For the Wilson Invitational, we have to figure out where we want to put kids and if we want to try to get a distance medley qualified [for the NCAA Championships] or run individuals in individual events,” Piane said. “And frankly that decision won’t be made until later on this week.”

The Alex Wilson Invitational will take place on March 4-5 at the Loftus Sports Complex.

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ND WOMEN’S GOLF

Irish head to Florida for tourney

By VICKY JACOBSEN
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The Notre Dame women’s golf team will escape the wet and blustery weather of South Bend as they compete in the Central District Invitational.

The tournament, which is sponsored by Michigan State, will be held at the River Wilderness Country Club in Parrish, Fla., Monday and Tuesday.

The event will be the first of the spring season for the Irish, who were 53-11 against Division I opponents this past fall. Notre Dame is currently ranked No. 15 in the country, the highest ranking in program history.

The Irish, who last competed in the Alamo Invitational last November, will attempt to continue their strong play from the fall after the long winter layoff.

“Our goals are the same as the tournaments in the fall, which is just to win and do our best,” freshman golfer Nicole Zhang said. “It’s going to be a little tough, because today [Sunday] was the first day we played on grass, but I think we’re pretty mentally strong and we’ve been preparing for a while so I think we’ll do well.”

The Irish will face stiff competition from 14 other squads, including the hosts, No. 18 Michigan State.

Other ranked opponents include Kent State, Iowa State, Arkansas and LSU. Notre Dame faced other members of the Central District Invitational field 18 times during the fall season, winning 14 of the matches.

“I think all the teams are competitive, because it’s a pretty strong field,” Zhang said.

No. 25 Florida State is the highest ranked team in the field, followed by LSU, who are ranked 20th, and Arkansas is ranked ahead of us as well,” said Zhang.

The tournament will stretch over two days. The teams will each play two rounds of 18 holes on Monday, and a third and final round on Tuesday.

The Irish squad will feature four golfers in addition to Zhang: seniors Katie Conway and So-Hyun Park, junior Becca Huffner and freshmen Kristina Nhim.

Notre Dame will hope for a strong performance from Zhang, who is currently the No. 20 ranked women’s collegiate golfer, the highest ranking of any freshman.

Zhang said that neither she nor her teammates are worried about the pressure that comes along with a larger profile and higher rankings.

“It’s good to know your standing and it’s nice to know how all of our hard work paying off,” Zhang said. “I think it’s fine, and it also motivates us to get to the first position.”

The Irish will tee off at 8 a.m. on Monday.

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such a high level for the team this season, was essentially a non-factor because of the play of the Huskies and Notre Dame’s early foul trouble. “I think the foul trouble in the first half hurt,” McGraw said. “I think they are a big presence on defense. Maya Moore is the leader down there.”

Moore, the Big East’s Preseason Player of the Year, scored 12 points and recorded seven rebounds in 34 minutes. The senior All-American anchored a strong Huskies defense that held the Irish to fewer than 60 points for only the second time this season. Senior forwards Devereaux Peters and Rebecca Bruszewski combined for only eight points in the contest.
The Irish backcourt was forced to step up and spark the Notre Dame offense.

Sophomore Skylar Diggins and junior guard Natalie Novosel led the way with 22 and 18 points, respectively. The rest of the team scored only 17 points in the loss.

With the defeat, Notre Dame falls one game behind DePaul for second place in the Big East. The two teams will conclude the regular season against each other in Chicago, Ill., in the conclusion of a brutal four-game stretch for the Irish. The second game of that stretch comes this Tuesday, when Notre Dame travels to West Virginia to battle the Mountaineers.

“We’re looking forward to West Virginia now,” McGraw said. “We need to put this game behind us and focus on finishing second in the conference. We really need to focus on these final three games.”
The matchup between the Irish and Mountaineers will tip off at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Morgantown, W.Va.

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coach Jeff Jackson said. “We turned the puck over a bit too much, but I thought we settled down and played extremely well after that.”

Though freshman goal-scorers Anders Lee and T.J. Tynan have powered the Irish offense in multiple games, the Irish sophomore class provided the offense in a 3-2 win Friday night — with goals from defender Sam Calabrese, wing Nick Larson and center Riley Sheahan. Without goals from Tynan and Lee — who lead the team with 19 apiece — the Irish relied on balanced scoring on the weekend.

“Those situations are going to happen. We need our other guys to step up. I thought that David Gerths’ line, with Nick Larson and Mike Voran, played extremely well on the weekend,” Jackson said. “I thought [senior center Ben Ryan’s] line and [ sophomore center Riley Sheahan’s] line both contributed as well. So, this weekend was a little more about our depth.”

On the other end of the ice, another sophomore stood on his head and helped deliver Notre Dame the big win. Johnson faced 15 shots in a first period filled with puck misfires — and stopped them all. Jackson said Johnson’s performance helped the Irish stay in the game.

“Mike was stellar on Friday. Early on, we were a little bit loose with the puck,” Jackson said. “He played extremely well. I thought he did a great job of holding us in there until we got our feet under neath us.”

With the CHA home-ice already clinched, the Irish offense struck early and often Saturday as goals from Larson, Gerths and a trio of seniors — center Ben Ryan, defenseman Joe Lavin and wing Calle Ridderwall — scoring goals in a 5-2 win that kept the Irish in first place in the CHA standings. Summerhays got the start in goal and made a career-high 29 saves, underlining the dynamic situation between

the pipes for Jackson’s Irish.

“I thought Steven played a good game. He hasn’t had as much work as much, but I thought he made some big saves at big moments,” Jackson said. “I was pleased with both efforts [from Johnson and Summerhays].

Jackson said the two goaltenders, who have split time the past three games, will continue to be evaluated based on their play.

“It’s still a work in progress for me, because I’ve never really critiqued [between-goaltender play],” Jackson said. “I think they’re both playing well. I think it’ll be a matter of seeing who’s playing well. It’ll just be a matter of making the decision when the time comes,” he said. “We’re getting closer to the playoffs, somebody’s going to have to step forward. If they’re both playing that well, maybe they both play. Right now I think Mike’s still the guy. He has that opportunity to show that he can win in the playoffs.

In the meantime, Steven’s doing a good job of being prepared in case he does go in.”

With the home-ice assured of a top-four finish in the CHA, and the home-ice in the second round of the CHA playoffs that comes with that finish.

“That’s one of our goals for the season, to finish in the top four of the conference and we’re guaranteed to be in the top two right now,” Jackson said. “I think that just gives us the week to prepare and maybe get some guys healed up a little bit. We can prepare for an opponent that we can somewhat predict.”

Heading into the final weekend series of the season against Western Michigan, the Irish hold a one-point lead in the standings over Michigan for first place, and Jackson said the team will play the series with a couple goals in mind.

“Our priority right now is to make sure we get into the playoffs playing well. If we win first place, that’s a real feather in the cap for this group of kids,” he said. “Because so young, I don’t think anybody would have given them that respect.”

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good possessions because whoever has the ball the most, that’s a good thing for them,” Brennan said.
The Irish worked hard in practice last week to win faceoffs and to extend their offensive possessions.
Corrigan praised the work of Irish assistant coach Brian Fisher who worked with the attack unit in practice.

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centered as well, we didn’t chase down loose balls as well and it made them believe and their crowd believe. It’s a tough one to get a win in. It is a great atmosphere.
The Irish took control in the opening minutes, jumping out to a 9-4 lead just under six minutes into the contest. Senior guard Scott Martin scored seven of Notre Dame’s first eleven points to help the Irish overcome a slow start. In the opening frame, Notre Dame held West Virginia to just 28.6 percent shooting from the field, which was the lowest shooting percentage of a Big East opponent in a half this season.
The Mountaineers’ cold shooting would not carry over to the second half, however, as West Virginia shot 54 percent from the field in the closing period and used a 19-8 run to open the second half that put it ahead for good.
After scores from fourth-year forward Tim Abromatis and senior forward Carleton Scott to open the second half, Mountaineers junior guard Darrell “Truck” Bryant hit a 3-pointer to tie the game at 31. On the ensuing possession, senior guard Joe Mazzulla made a layup to put the Mountaineers ahead for good. Following his layup, Mazzulla found Bryant for another three-pointer to extend the West Virginia lead to 36-31. Bryant finished with 24 points in the game while Mazzulla added 16.
Throughout the second half, the Irish continued to battle back, but the Mountaineers seemed to answer each time Notre Dame cut into the lead. With just under 13 minutes to play in the game, senior forward Tyrone Nash hit a layup to pull the Irish within five, the closest they would come to regaining the lead after Bryant put the Mountaineers ahead. West Virginia answered right back on the next possession, however, as junior forward Kevin Jones hit a 3-pointer to put West Virginia up by eight.
“We tried to make a couple rounds, but they hit some big shots,” Brey said. “Guys hit big threes at key times to make us never feel we could close the gap. They were really good today.”
The Irish struggled with foul trouble in the game, as Abromatis and senior guard Ben Hansbrough, who led the Irish with 19 points, both fouled out while Martin had four fouls.
Notre Dame returns to the court on Wednesday when it hits the road again to face Providence.

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Senior guard Ben Hansbrough drives for a layup in a win over Louisville Feb. 9.

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Senior guard Ben Hansbrough protects the ball from a Louisville defender Feb. 9.

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Every spring, China’s cities are plunged into chaos as 130 million migrant workers journey to their home villages for the New Year’s holiday. This mass exodus is the world’s largest human migration—an epic spectacle that reveals a country tragically caught between its rural past and industrial future.

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**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Mountain blues**

Notre Dame experiences first defeat in eight games

By MIKE GOTTIMER
Sports Writer

No. 8 Notre Dame’s seven-game winning streak came to a halt Saturday after the Irish’s 72-58 loss to West Virginia.

The Irish (21-5, 10-4 Big East), who led 27-26 at the half, had won their previous 17 games in which they led at the half. The Mountaineers (17-9, 8-6), however, needed a statement win over a ranked opponent to improve their NCAA Tournament résumé and used a 46-point second half to get it. Irish coach Mike Brey knew it would be tough to win in Morgantown.

“Second shots hurt us at key times, specifically in the first five minutes of the second half,” Brey said. “We didn’t defend as well, we didn’t con—

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**HOCKEY**

**Irish remain in CCHA lead**

By CHRIS ALLEN
Sports Writer

Going into their weekend series with Ferris State, the No. 6 Irish only needed one point between the two games to clinch home-ice in the second round of the CCHA playoffs. They got that point — and five more — with two strong goaltending performances from sophomore Mike Johnson and freshman Steven Summerhayes and balanced goal scoring in a sweep of the Bulldogs in Big Rapids, Mich.

“I was really pleased with the way we played. I thought Ferris came out with a lot of jump on Friday night, gave us some real problems,” Irish

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**WOMEN’S LACROSSE**

Irish fall to powerful Wildcats

By Cory Bernard
Sports Writer

Notre Dame fell to 1-2 on the season with its second straight loss to a nationally ranked opponent on Saturday. No. 2 Northwestern defeated the No. 10 Irish 14-11 in the Lewis Center behind two goals from sophomore Erin Fitzgerald and nine saves from junior goalkeeper Brianne LoMauro as the Wildcats continued to torment the Irish after knocking them out of the NCAA tournament last season.

Junior attack Maggie Tamasitis paced the Irish offense with five points and four assists, matching career highs. Her day was not enough to overcome Northwestern’s 22-5 advantage on draws, which allowed the Wildcats to dominate possession the entire game. Notre Dame head coach Tracy Coyne was frustrated with the loss but could not fault her team’s effort.

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**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

Notre Dame loses to Huskies 78-57

By ANDREW OWENS
Sports Writer

In January, Connecticut’s NCAA record 90-game winning streak had just been snapped, and the Irish were trying to give the Huskies their second loss in three games. The strong effort of the Huskies in the final two minutes led to a 79-76 victory in a heartbreaking defeat for Notre Dame.

This time, Connecticut dominated throughout the contest and denied the Irish a chance for revenge. Huskies guard Bria Hartley exploded for 29 points and five assists in the contest. The freshman made 10 of her 16 attempts from the field, including a 5-9 effort from behind the arc. Her performance in the second half helped No. 2 Connecticut (26-1, 13-0 Big East) pull away from the No. 8 Irish (22-5, 11-2) for a 78-57 victory in Storrs, Conn.

“We obviously did a poor job guarding [Hartley],” Irish head coach Muffet McGraw said. “She was open in transition and made some important buckets for them.”

The Irish frontcourt, which has performed at