Walsh Rector wins on TV game show

By AMANDA GRAY
News Writer

Walsh Hall rector Annie Selak, dressed as a cupcake, was selected to participate on CBS’s “Let’s Make a Deal.” Selak said her assigned seating in the audience was ironic given her profession. “The producers assigned you your seat,” she said. “They placed me between a beer and a cake.”

Alleged sexual battery reported

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) is investigating a sexual battery reported to campus police Wednesday, according to an email sent to students early Thursday morning.

A Saint Mary’s student was reportedly sexually assaulted at approximately 9:50 p.m. Wednesday evening, according to the College’s Director of Security David Gariepy.

The victim reported to police the crime occurred along a path beside Saint Mary’s Lake between Holy Cross Hill and Holy Cross Drive, according to the email.

Police reported the suspects were two white males approximately 5’10” who were wearing dark clothing. The suspects approached the victim and pulled her off the path before assaulting her. One assailant reportedly carried a knife.

The suspects fled on foot toward State Road 933, according to NDSP. Saint Mary’s students received an email from College security alerting them to the reported assault at approximately 11:40 p.m.

“Please use extreme caution when traveling to and from the University of Notre Dame as suspects have not been apprehended,” the email stated.

4.0 GPA seniors vie for valedictorian, Larkin selected

By ADAM LLORENS
News Writer

As the Commencement Ceremony approaches each spring semester, the University is faced with the difficult task of selecting a valedictorian from among the top students of the graduating class.

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Partners In Health receives award for efforts in improving global healthcare standards

By KRISTEN DURBIN
News Editor

A surge in global solidarity has served as a catalyst for raising health standards in the third world, cofounder of Partners In Health (PIH) Ophelia Dahl said Wednesday at a recognition ceremony in the Hesburgh Library.

PIH was recently named the recipient of the 2011 Notre Dame Award for International Human Development and Solidarity.

“The challenge is to corral this solidarity and make it meaningful,” she said in a panel discussion at Washington Hall. “We have a lot of hope but we have to get our priorities right.”

“Partners In Health received the award for efforts in improving global health standards in the third world, which served as a catalyst for raising health standards in the United Nations,” Ophelia Dahl said.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: AS A CHILD, WHAT DID YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GREW UP?

Ben Eichler
freshman
St. Edwards’

“Darth Vader.”

Greg Allane
sophomore
Zahm

“A skateboarding, rock-star scientist.”

Katie O’Rourke
junior
Paspertilla East

“It was a tie between a farmer and an astronaut.”

Ryan Quillard
junior
Dillon

“Pro basketball player, until I stopped growing at 5’8.”

Phil Diamond
junior
off campus

“Trophy husband.”

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OFFBEAT

New Jersey town establishes paria
tals for chickens

OPFELWELL TOWNSHIP, N.J. — A New Jersey town has adopted an ordinance that regulates when chickens and roosters can hook up in backyard henhouses. Roosters must show they’re disease-free and they better not crow about their conquests.

Hopewell Township residents can have up to a half-dozen hens on half-acre lots. Roosters would be allowed only 10 days a year for fertilization purposes.

Mature roosters are not allowed because they’re too noisy. Any roosters that crow too long can be banned from the property for two years. Mayor Jim Burt told the Times of Trenton the ordinance is a compromise between today’s lifestyle and the township’s agricultural history.

Suspect handcuffed to chair escapes police

BUFFALO, N.Y. — If you’re in Buffalo and see a man handcuffed to a chair, call police. They’d like the chair back, along with the guy shackled to it.

 Authorities are looking for a robbery suspect who escaped from a Buffalo police station by slipping out a back door while handcuffed to a chair.

Police tell Buffalo media there will be a showing of Jeff Malmberg’s documentary “Take Back the Farm” at the Jordan Hall of Science. Arts Caine will lead the presentation from 5 to 6:30 p.m. tonight.

There will be a showing of the documentary film “Marwencol” in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center from 7 to 9:30 p.m. tonight. Th film is Jeff Malmberg’s documentary portrait of the imaginaive artist Mark Hogancamp. The cost is $3 for students and $6 regular admission.

The Notre Dame hand chamber ensemble will give a free concert in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center from 7 to 8 p.m. tonight.

The Gender Relations Center will host a Take Back the Night event at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes from 7 to 10:30 p.m. tonight.

Tonight at 7:30 p.m., the Paspertilla East Musical Company presents “Bring Me a Dream ... a musical revue” at Washington Hall. The cost is $3.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, email detailed information about an event to obsnews.nd@gmail.com

IN BRIEF

Howard Hall “tie the Match” Bone Marrow Drive will be registering people for the National Bone Marrow Registry at both dining halls from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. today. Participants will receive a free lesser-fitted tank top customized for the event.

AnTostal carnival will take place on South Quad from 3 to 6 p.m. today.

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Group dissolves Business Board, discusses safety

By MEL FLANAGAN
News Writer

Student Senate approved an amendment to dissolve the Student Business Board and discussed educating freshmen on safety in the South Bend community at its meeting Wednesday.

The Financial Management Board (FMB) supervises the Student Business Board, which oversees the two student businesses on campus, Irish Gardens and AdWorks. The amendment would eliminate the Student Business Board and make student businesses directly accountable to FMB.

“Student Business Board has lost its purpose in the past few years,” Student Union treasurer Gerri Biro said. “There used to be four businesses and it used to be directly accountable to FMB, leading to communication problems. Biro highlighted the problem of the student businesses repeatedly ending the fiscal year in debt. He hopes the increased accountability to FMB will help the businesses to become profitable in the future. “It’s a position that can easily be eliminated and the action is supported by those most closely involved,” Biro said.

After the amendment unanimously passed the resolution, it discussed possible time for introducing freshmen to South Bend and informing them about safety issues.

Campus Technology chair Vinita Dong said both her Freshman Orientation leader and her Resident Assistant spoke to her about campus safety, but she felt more inclined to listen to her Frock-O leader than her RA.

Welsh Family senator Marcy Kremier said her hall recognized the freshmen were more likely to converse freely with their Frock-O staff than their Hall Staff.

“During my Frosh-O there was a time when the RA and rectors were less likely to converse freely with their RA,” a member of the hall Staff. “It’s a good thing, but she felt more inclined to listen to her Frosh-O leader than her RA.”

Biro said the amendment would work toward solving the many ongoing troubles with the many businesses. For example, the Student Business Board general manager did not make the required monthly reports on the businesses to FMB, leading to communication problems.

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“I know they’ve been working on that for [FMB] when looking at the student businesses.”

“Please be good neighbors, please be respectful of adults and authority. These are the things we want to start conveying to freshmen.”

CAMPUS NEWS

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Band bids farewell to assistant director

By JOHN CAMERON
News Writer

The recent Blue-Gold Game marked the last time Assistant Band Director Emmett O’Leary would lead the Marching Band in the “greatest of all University fight songs,” the Notre Dame Victory March.”

On March 15, O’Leary announced he would take leave at the end of the spring 2011 semester to pursue a Ph.D. in music education at Arizona State University after seven years in his position at Notre Dame.

“The highlight [of my time here] has just been being able to be a part of this place, this University. We all talk about what a privilege it is to be a student or a member of the faculty here, and it’s totally true,” he said. “It’s been the privilege of my life to be able to serve on staff here.”

Rene Rosas will replace O’Leary as the assistant band director for the 2011-2012 school year.

O’Leary said the best part of his job was the excitement surrounding the first game day each year when the University Band was ready to welcome Rosas to the mix but would find it difficult to see O’Leary go.

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“In terms of the information that should be distributed, Cavanaugh confident Nuñez said freshmen should recognize the importance of Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) as an asset and encourage a positive relationship between NDSP and incoming students.

“Cavanaugh has a really good relationship with the officers who walk through our dorms,” Cavanaugh said. “I think that really helps with our opinions of them.”

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American University professor Paul Farmer and Ophelia Dahl echoed the principle of solidarity in its work, aligning it closely with the services provided Notre Dame community.

"I think [PIH] represents in their work, the work of Christ, which is why we feel such an affinity for Notre Dame. Head and why our students feel connected to their work," he said.

Fr. Robert Dowd, director of the Ford Family Program in Human Development Studies and Solidarity, said the award recognizes people who make substantial contributions to international human development through research, practice, public service and philanthropy.

The Ford Program chose to recognize PIH for its commitment to solidarity in providing holistic, community-based health care methods for the poor, Dowd said.

"Partners In Health exemplifies what it is to come close to those in need by promoting healing and peace among them and understanding the relationship between social and economic contexts and health problems," Dowd said. "They epitomize the values at the core of the Notre Dame mission by integrating the head and the heart to help the poor."

Steve Reifenberg, executive director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, said the unique community-based structure of PIH makes it a model for charity organizations around the world.

"Partners in Health helped re-conceptualize the notion of a charity organization by connecting service, teaching and research," he said. "This model for institutional innovation connects with the University and the Ford Program, and it focuses on charity in connection with solidarity."

During the panel discussion, Dowd asked Dahl and Farmer about the relationship between the principles of Catholic social teaching and the overall mission of PIH.

"I think Catholic social teaching has had a very deep impact on our work, but others who don’t share that background have been very involved in our work in equally meaningful ways," Farmer said. "There are many complementary paradigms we can draw on."

Dahl said that although worries about the scope and effectiveness of PIH’s work presents a challenge to the organization, she and Farmer emphasized the importance of optimism in furthering the mission of the organization.

"To even consider losing hope in the face of all this is a luxury many others can’t afford," Dahl said. "We see hope in the young workforce of Silicon Valley, where people are optimistic about solving health problems with technology."
Group discusses future of dorm printer initiative

By MEGAN LONEY

At its final meeting of the semester, the Saint Mary’s College Student Government Association (SGA) discussed the progress of the dorm printer initiative that began under Chesley-Smith administration. The initiative’s future is unclear following its problematic first week.

The students who tend Holy Cross Hall’s front desk and monitor printer usage have reported several issues since the installation of the printer two weeks ago. The problems are attributed to miscommunications about procedures for printer support and the printer’s unforeseen popularity among students.

The Holy Cross printer was an experimental initiative undertaken by the Chesley-Smith administration to evaluate the possibility of installing printers in dorms throughout campus. The Information Technology department was not involved in the initiative. Instead, the printer’s maintenance is solely SGA’s responsibility.

One issue raised during the meeting was the confusion over the printer maintenance procedure caused by student government turnover.

“A lot of the things that were established with the printer were not our doing and now we’re just making it work,” student body president Nicole Gans said. “We didn’t set up any procedures, it was really only to sustain until the end of the school year.”

The previous administration set aside a budget and supplies based on a cost estimate of printer usage on campus from Coordinator of Student Computing Kathy Hausmann. The paper usage since the printer’s installation, however, has already surpassed the estimated amount.

Gans suggested discontinuing the dorm printer initiative for the coming school year in consideration of unexpected costs.

“This is something that we will really focus on next year,” Gans said. “If the projected cost is surpassed, it would be very difficult to fit that flexibility into our budget next year. Our job is to respond to student needs, but I personally think that it would be a difficult expectation of SGA and an unrealistic use of money to spend it on ink and paper for printers in every dorm.”

Chief of staff Emily Skirth noted the popularity of the printer among students as a sign of the need for printers in the dorms.

“Since the need is so great, it may not be our responsibility to put printers in all of the dorms, but our job is to be the advocate for the student body, and this is something that students want,” Skirth said.

Gans and student body vice president Jacquelyn Zupanic will meet with Hausmann next semester to discuss matters of technology.

“Vice President for Student Affairs Karen Johnson told us not to meet with Kathy until next year. They will be going over technology this summer and things are going to change,” Gans said. “When we meet in the fall, we’ll know what we need to do and they will be able to give us better answers.”

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Unplanned Pregnancy?

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- Ann Frith, Student Advisers, 631-2083
- Sylvia Dillon, Campus Ministry, 631-7163
- John Dillon, Campus Ministry, 631-7163
- Dr. Susan Steibe-Pashl, Counseling Ctr., 631-1565
- Ann E. Kleva, Health Services, 631-8286

South Bend Community Resources:
- Women’s Care Center: 219-4061
- Catholic Charities: 219-5111

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SMC student club shows LGBTQ Pride

By MEGAN REECE

Saint Mary’s kicked off its first annual Pride Week hosted by the College’s Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA) Tuesday.

The week began with a keynote address by Ryan Everett, a transgender member of the community. In his speech, “Living Life in Two Worlds,” Everett encouraged listeners to live their lives in a fulfilling way.

“You really need to be who you are and to be happy,” Everett said. “I’m finally living the authentic life I’d only dreamed of before.”

Pride Week continued Wednesday evening with an LGBTQ Fair in the Student Center lobby, where organizations from around the community offered students internships, jobs and volunteer opportunities.

“We want students to know that there is a supportive community in South Bend and they have the ability to expand it,” SAGA president Karen Borja said.

SAGA will present the “LGBTQ Falling Stars” workshop from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. today in the Warren Conference Room. According to Borja, the workshop will help participants reach a better understanding of the emotional challenges of the coming out process.

Pride Week concludes Friday with a campus-wide effort to show pride and acceptance, as students are encouraged to wear LGBTQ-related shirts. Borja said visible support on campus is important for promoting a safe and accepting atmosphere conducive to learning.

“We’re here to promote a safe environment for students on campus by making them feel free. It’s unjust for people to have to hide who they are,” Borja said. “It’s unjust for people to have to hide who they are.”

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TO RICHARD DOERFLINGER

Richard Doerflinger, Associate Director of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, has championed the pro-life cause for the past thirty years. He has played a pivotal role in the crafting and implementation of policy and legislation across the spectrum of life issues including embryo research, abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia on Capitol Hill and beyond. Because of Mr. Doerflinger’s unwavering commitment and heroic witness to life, the Notre Dame Fund to Protect Human Life is honored to award him the inaugural Notre Dame Evangelium Vitae Medal.

The Notre Dame Fund to Protect Human Life has established the Notre Dame Evangelium Vitae Medal to honor individuals whose outstanding efforts have served to proclaim the Gospel of Life by steadfastly affirming and defending the sanctity of human life from its earliest stages. Announced annually on Respect Life Sunday, the first Sunday of October, the Notre Dame Evangelium Vitae Medal consists of a specially commissioned medal and $10,000 prize. The medal’s design, like the award itself, is inspired by Pope John Paul II’s 1995 encyclical, Evangelium Vitae, “The Gospel of Life.” The medal’s inscription “Civilem Veritatis Amorisque Cultum Exstruere,” (to build the civilization of truth and love), is a direct quotation from the Encyclical’s closing prayer.

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compose a valedictory address which would be given at the Commencement Ceremony." Jacobs said. "We then record them reading their address and create an audio file of each speech."

Jacobs said all five colleges were represented in the candidate pool.

"This year, we invited three students from the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Business, Engineering and Science and one student from the College of Architecture."

Some candidates have declined to submit speeches in the past, Jacobs said.

"Not all of the students actually choose to write an address for multiple reasons — among others, the apprehension to deliver a speech in front of thousands of people at Commencement," Jacobs said.

"If (this year’s candidates), all chose to actually write a sample address."

After listening to all of the candidates’ submissions, the selection committee narrows their options down to a smaller group of especially competent addresses. "We then proceed to look at the résumés and letters of recommendation for these students to get to know them as a person," Jacobs said.

"From this, we pick a smaller group to interview face-to-face."

After these final interviews — and much anticipation amongst the interviewees — the valedictorian is selected.

The initial candidates are also given the opportunity compose an invocation, the opening prayer delivered at the beginning of the Commencement Ceremony. The candidate chosen to give the invocation is recognized in addition to the selected valedictorian.

"The 4.0 GPA candidates can choose which address they would like to write," Jacobs said. "Both the valedictorian and the invocation addresser are announced together."

This year, Michelle Maurin, a mathematics major from Houston, will deliver the invocation at Commencement on May 22.

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In Tuscaloosa, news footage showed paramedics lifting a child out of a flattened home, with many neighboring buildings in the city of more than 83,000 also reduced to rubble. A hospital there said its emergency room had admitted about 100 people, but had treated some 400. Charts weren’t even started for many patients because so many people were coming in at once. By midnight, only staff and patients were allowed inside.

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to egg and a beer pong cup, which I thought was an ironic spot for a recto." The selection process is held before the show films, Selak said. The producers ask the contestants a number of questions before determining the seating.

"They didn’t ask me many questions," she said. "I didn’t think I would get selected. They asked my parents a lot of questions." Selak’s parents were also dressed in costume, her father as a golfer and her mother as Raggedy Ann.

"You line up outside the studio," she said. "There’s this line of people at 10 a.m. in Hollywood in strange costumes."

Selak was selected early in the show, and Brady had Selak pick between two prizes with the hint words ‘dinner’ and ‘limo.’ Selak picked the latter, winning a Beverly Hills shopping spree complete with limo, personal shopper, Chloe handbag and Christian Louboutin shoes.

"I’m very happy with the choice I made," she said. "I tend to be a very practical person — I don’t like name brands ... It’s a fun treat, a fun surprise."

Since the filming three months ago, Selak said she was required to keep silent about being on the show. After a press release was sent out earlier this week, she was allowed to confirm she was on the show but not if she had won anything.

"It’s been very difficult to keep quiet," she said.

Selak said people stopped by her room in Walsh all day asking whether she won on the show, but they were left in suspense until the episode aired. A group of rectors watched it with Selak later in the day and Walsh Hall had an episode viewing as well.

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What we faced today was massive damage on a scale we have not seen in Tuscaloosa in quite some time," Mayor Walter Maddox told reporters, adding that he expected his city’s death toll to rise.
**Inside Column**

Talking about my generation

It was 6 a.m. after two weeks in the wilderness on an Outward Bound trip and three days before my 19th birthday when my parents told me I was going to have a little brother. So much for the empty nest, I guess. Although I didn’t believe them at the time, they were adopting. Finally, despite being diagnosed with secondary infertility right after I was born, my parents were going to have another kid.

I couldn’t wrap my head around the fact that it was no longer going to be just my sister and I. 21, 19 and 0. Graduating from college, beginning college, being born. No matter what, I would be the pampered youngest child, but forced to assume the role of neglected, angsty middle sibling.

After spending the fall semester packing and unpacking from a grab attention through rebellion, I came home for winter break to find my mom in the hospital. Again. This was a completely unsettling experience for me, as until this point I considered myself the imaginary or an elaborate practical joke. As break progressed, her due date kept moving earlier and earlier.

I was presented with the idea that there was someone else already living while I was home, and I would have to look the little newcomer in the eye and accept that he was real. January 7 came around and I got a text from my mom saying that he was taking my mom to the hospital, that it was time. I rushed home and stayed up all night with my sister, getting updates on the progress via texts and rushed phone calls. Finally, a little after the sun came up, William George was born.

My sister and I drove to the hospital after a few hours of sleep to meet the newest member of the family. I walked into the room to see my mom holding this tiny, sleeping bundle and thought to myself, “he’s so soft and small, just like you,” before shedding tears of joy.

I spent the rest of the last week of break playing and coming to terms with my new brother. He still seemed surreal that I would be telling people that I have two siblings or that I would get to watch him grow up.

Over Spring and Easter break, he just kept getting bigger and more active, smiling, laughing and learning to roll over.

Having a 3-month-old back home has really put time in perspective for me. I’m not sure how many times I’ve graduated from college, he’s going to be 3. When I turn 30, he’ll be in high school. I’m sure I’ll be sitting around with my kids and talking about how they have been our four years at Notre Dame.

I guess we never realize what we’re missing out on until it comes into our lives.

I think we don’t fully appreciate things until we encounter them ourselves.

Whatever the lesson is, I’m glad to be related to the first member of the class of 2033.

Jack Yusko

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**Legalization of marriage wastes time**

America crossed a threshold in 2011. For the first time, according to a CNN/Opinion Research survey, a majority of us approved of gay marriage. It was a slim majority (51 percent), but that number is sure to grow because 60 percent of those polled who are under 50 years old said they approve. This should come as no surprise since the number of people who are okay with gays getting married has been slowly but surely been increasing. Why? Because the middle of America is filled with people who are actually fair and open-minded. It is also a pretty short-sighted philosophy. The fact is our ideology and way of life is a model that can lead to global prosperity and peace.

Many countries are poor due to the fact that they are ruled by greedy and oppressive dictators. The system is against the people. If we want to make a dent in world poverty levels, there has to be an institutional change that supports free market capitalism and democratic governance. Most of the time (pretty much every time), to get a functional change in society requires military action. The indigenous population usually cannot produce the means necessary to complete a successful revolution on their own (cough, Libya), so outside help is needed to achieve the goal.

The fact is that if America doesn’t lead the way, other countries are too weak and apathetic to solve the problems that arise. Britain and France, while powerful on paper, are too small to fully commit their forces to winning the war in Libya and initiating regime change. Libya isn’t even a big fish. German Nazism would have succeeded in taking over Britain had the U.S. not stepped in. The USSR would have just continued its war forever. The U.S. not had the resolve to halt the militaristic advances of Nazi Germany and Communism. No one would have attacked Afghanistan for us if we didn’t do it ourselves in 2001.

Yes, America looks out for herself, but she also aids all free people. Who is going to stand up to China if we shut off all the energy resources to Europe? Who is going to stand up to Russia if we shut off all the energy resources to Europe? Who is going to stand up to China when it cracks down on its people and manipulates the global economy? Who is going to stand up to Russia when it threatens its neighbors? Who will keep the peace when the forces of darkness rise up and threaten our allies? America will. We are morally obligated to fight for what is right and to stand for those that aren’t strong enough to stand on their own. Yes it’s a burden, but it is a necessary one if we truly believe in the greatness that free people can achieve.

Even if we buy into my argument above, if we don’t execute it fully we will create a bigger mess than when we started: the Vietnam War, the Korean War, Bosnia, the Bay of Pigs, the Gulf War — the list goes on. America’s greatest mistakes are based on compromising our moral righteousness in defending and extending liberty. I pray this won’t happen with Libya or any other country this president decides to bomb. Maybe that Hope and Change will show up eventually.

Mark Easley

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**In Defense of Gay Marriage**

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Legislation for marriage wastes time

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

“If there are no stupid questions, then what kind of questions do you expect?”

Scott Adams

U.S. comic creator and author

INSIDE COLUMN

**Gramatinmship**

It is just me or is this “war” in Libya really dumb? The hawks and the pacifists are all unhappy with what Obama has gotten us and our allies into over there. It has been weeks and Gaddafi is not only still in power, but also seems to be winning in a campaign against N-A-B-O-T. The stupidest thing is that anyone could take Tripoli (Burberry wars, redux) with even a few Gaddafi dead or alive in 48 hours if we let them. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it. Even in cases where the U.S. doesn’t have direct interest, if our allies or Really? So if two gay people live together down the block from you, is that somehow going to stain your marriage? Anyone who thinks this sounds redundant is that the person who is going to fix it.
The names are what first catch my attention. As we exult in these Easter days (as we do with so many other holidays) over us, we immerse ourselves in the Gospel story of Resurrection. For all the spiritual fireworks that are about to erupt with the resurrection of Jesus’ rising from the dead, these well-known stories of faith all begin with simple, single, precisely identified names — of a few women.

They come, not to get front-row seats for the fireworks, about which they know nothing, but to bury a dead Jesus’ body with burial spices. The story of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ begins with simple names — people approaching a tomb tentatively, in darkness and fear.

The evangelist Mark begins, “When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome brought spices so that they might anoint him.”

Buried within this simple statement of fact are numerous, profoundly interesting questions. Given the violent zeal with which the Jerusalem crowd had killed Jesus the day before, at what risk did these women expose themselves as his followers by bringing spices that morning? After all, Mark reports, they went out to the tomb on the Thursday Passover meal, so filled with interaction with Jesus and his followers, that they had not gathered more of Jesus’ followers for burial.

“Luke: ‘When Jesus’ body was taken down from the cross, the women who had come from Galilee with him followed him, and when they had seen the tomb and the way in which his body was laid in it, they returned and prepared spices and perfumed oils — Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Mary the mother of James. Luke says they followed Jesus’ expired body from the moment it was taken down from the cross, directly to his burial place. Moments before, authorities and the crowd taunted Jesus, daring him to fulfill his promise that he was the Son of God by coming down from the cross. Perhaps it is not hard to imagine what this same crowd asked of these women in the minutes after Jesus relinquished his breath, coming over to bury their failed Messiah. Luke does not report the taunts and curses that surely were thrown their way, like stones at a discovered adulteress. Luke, however, is clear about one detail they followed, to see where their friend —failed Messiah though he may have been — was to be buried, that they might return and take care of him.

These are the beginnings of each of the Resurrection stories. Love. Human love. Love for a friend. Unconditional love, for — as far as they knew — their beloved’s mission had utterly failed. Yet, at least for these disciples, they were not following an abstract mission. They were following a person, a person whom they loved and who had revealed Love to them. And so they kept following, with no apparent hesitation to face jeering crowds, armed guards, dark streets, the tomb of a publicly humiliated criminal.

The heart of the Resurrection is the love of God for his Son Jesus, and through Jesus, for all of us. It is a love that is revealed on this Easter morning to be the strongest force in the universe — stronger even than the most inexplicable power we know, the power of death. The Resurrection is, ultimately, about the love of God.

But it isn’t noteworthy that the stories of the Resurrection all begin with human love? To whom would the Resurrection have been revealed, if no one had loved enough to go to the tomb? To make the intimidating, failure-confirming, dark journey to the grave? He loved us — yes, this would be confirmed in the fireworks that awaited at the rolled-away stone. This, surely, is our salvation. And yet, something else important, perhaps essential, is revealed to us at the Resurrection through these women who approach the tomb.

We love him.

Not an abstract love. A love for a real person we have come to know and believe in. Who has startled into our eyes and unkindled our hearts. Who has engendered in us... love.

John “Mary of Magdala stayed outside the tomb weeping. And as she wept, she bent over into the tomb.” Who bends over into death? One in whom the love for the person of Christ has been deeply planted, and who has the freedom and courage to let it direct one’s actions. It is from this reality — that we love him — that the glory of the Resurrection rushes upon us and renews the face of the earth.

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Hopelessly devoted
As a Mets fan since my birth in 1991 in Bergen County, N.J., I’m quite familiar with their routine futility. I find myself in agreement with Laura Coletti’s remark that Mets-fanhood is a metaphor for life — with a minor rephrasing. Rooting for the Mets, I’ve noticed, is just like life. Although at times it can be promising and inspiring, in reality it is hopeless. No matter how many times you win, you will ultimately lose. And the world will laugh at your feeble, meaningless attempts.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON

The Royal Netting
Michelle Romeu
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**PEMCo Revue**

Where: Washington Hall
When: 7:30 p.m.
How Much: $3

The student-run musical theater company is putting on their Revue this year, called "Bring Me a Dream." The show will feature talented performers from PEMCo’s past plays and the night promises spectacular performances. All proceeds from the event go to Hannah and Friends, a nonprofit organization for children and young adults affected by autism.

**Battle of the Bands**

Where: Legends
When: 9 p.m. to midnight
How Much: Free with ND/SMC/HCC ID

An impressive ten band lineup squares off this year in the 2011 Battle of the Bands. The bands have been practicing all year — some even performing at Legends throughout the semester — to prepare for this event. Follow the guitar riffs and original songs to this unique event and hear some great local bands.

**Augustana**

Where: Legends
When: 10 p.m.
How Much: Free with ND/SMC/HCC ID

SUB is bringing the band best known for its popular song "Boston" to Legends for their last concert of the year. Although most only know Augustana for their 2005 hit, the band just released their fourth album, "Augustana." Their concert will no doubt showcase their beautiful voices and thoughtful, captivating music.

**Keenan Hall’s Muddy Sunday**

Where: Holy Cross Fields
When: 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
How Much: $8 per team member, online registration

Find your inner child this weekend at Keenan Hall’s signature event, Muddy Sunday. Sign up with seven of your friends to play volleyball in the mud to support the Notre Dame Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. The messy event takes place between the lakes, and though you may leave in need of a shower, you will not leave in need of a good time.

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**Michael Scott’s School of Management**

An era will end this Thursday when Michael Scott (Steve Carell) leaves “The Office.” Always an incredible motivator, hard worker and leader, Michael taught his dedicated fans not only how to be the world’s best boss, but also practical lessons in management that our top ranked business program could add to its syllabus. Here’s a brief rundown of Michael Scott’s Top Ten Keys to Success in Business.

10. “You have to play to win, but you have to win to play”

Michael after attending a Tony Robbins lecture … well actually a lecture about buying his tapes.

9. Celebrate everything

It’s important to boost morale with surprises and parties, especially when the devil from HR is leaving forever.

8. An office is a family

Michael genuinely loved all of his workers, sometimes too much. In his 9,876,000 minutes at Dunder Mifflin, he unified his workers in marriage, on the basketball court and elsewhere.

7. Safety First

Don’t start a fire with your cheesy-pita.

6. Control the story before the story owns you

Otherwise the Scranton Times gets its hands on it, then Newsweek and YouTube.

5. Don’t be an idiot

Looking at you, Dwight.

4. “Adapt, react, readapt, act”

…on going outside after the fire alarm goes off

3. “Don’t ever, for any reason, do anything to anyone, for any reason, ever. No matter what, no matter where or who or who you are with, or where you are going, or where you’ve been. Ever. For any reason whatsoever.”

Michael, explaining to CFO David Wallace why his branch is succeeding while the rest of the company is going bankrupt.

2. The Bob Hope Factor

A solid sense of humor is key to being a good leader.

…and I will give the rest to you after lunch!

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Michael Scott is moving on...

Best Moments: MICHAEL SCOTT

By COURTNEY COX
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As Steve Carell finishes his tenure as beloved boss Michael Scott, fans of “The Office” are forced to cope with a future in which the title “Regional Manager” will no longer apply to the most comical man in the Dunder Mifflin family. “The Office” is nothing short of a family and with Michael Scott leaving, there will surely be many tears as viewers recall the laughs we’ve had over the past seven years. Here’s a look at Michael Scott’s best moments:

Michael Scott is a question a hopeless romantic who meets Kelly in the episode entitled “Hot Girl,” he is immediately enamored and offers her a ride home, which he hopes will turn into an opportunity to make moves. The night ends with Kelly falling asleep in Michael’s car, and the two discussing the depth of Michael Scott’s life and how it has not always been the best. Here’s a look at Michael Scott’s best moments:

Season seven has been full of great Michael Scott moments, but there is one moment that has left a lasting impression on me. In the episode “Leaky Shower,” Michael is not himself and causes some chaos in the office. The episode ends with Michael and the rest of the office members saying goodbye to each other, knowing that this could be the last time they see each other. The scene is heart-wrenching and leaves me feeling sad for Michael and the rest of the office. It is a moment that will be remembered for years to come.

In the final scene, Michael stands in front of the camera and speaks, saying goodbye to the audience. The scene is emotional and leaves me feeling sad for Michael and the rest of the office. It is a moment that will be remembered for years to come.

Michael allows his staff to call him, but it turns out he is not capable of handling criticism as he originally thought. This prompts him to enter into an office and attempt to insult everyone who offended him. The moment that “Boom” entered irreversibly into the cultural lexicon.

In Season seven, Michael undergoes a very serious injury, as his foot on a George Foreman grill. He prefers to wake up to the smell of bacon, so every morning he wakes up in his grill, slaps some bacon on it and returns to his sleep, only to wake again later, however, his ritual did not go smoothly. In order to spread his healing he asks Pam if she will go to his country club on his feet. Attempts to have her out of the room and requests interesting from at the Canary Yards.

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**MLB**

Phillies’ bats wake up and avoid sweep by Diamondbacks

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Philadelphia had the pitching, not the hitting in the opener. Second game, they had hitting, no pitching.

Philly got off to first sweep in the desert in nearly four years, the Phillies got the hitting and the glove quicksilver to inch toward their winnigest opening-month ever.

Cole Hamels pitched seven solid innings after being passed as an early lead and the Phillies kept swelling on their way to an 8-4 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Wednesday.

‘Anytime you hit, you feel good about yourself,’ Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said.

Philadelphia didn’t do it in the opener, shut out to spill Cliff Lee’s solid start. The Phillies hanged out five runs the second game, but still lost because Roy Oswalt wasn’t quite right.

In the series finale, Jimmy Rollins keyed a big first inning with an RBI double and Ben Francisco knocked in two more with another double. Rollins later hit a two-run homer, and Shane Victorino and Ryan Howard added long bombs.

Placido Polanco continued his torrid start to the season, getting four of Philadelphia’s 12 hits and scoring three runs to extend his hitting streak to eight games.

That was more than enough for Hamels (3-1), who pitched the Phillies to their 16th win in April, one short of the team record set in 1993.

‘Coming off a win with a win for us today was good, just for the fact that we came out of the gate quick,’ Hamels said.

Hamels and the hard-hitting Phillies never gave the Diamondbacks much of a chance at the sweep.

Philadelphia roughed up starter Joe Saunders (0-3) early and tagged Arizona’s bullpen, providing enough cushion to absorb Chris Young’s two-run homer in the sixth that cut Hamels’ lead to 7-4.

Howard pushed the lead back to four with a towering leadoff homer in the ninth to center field off J.J. Putz.

‘You are not going to pitch good in every game,’ Arizona manager Kirk Gibson said.

‘Give them some credit. They put some good swings on us and hit good pitchers as well. We kept fighting and had opportunities, but they shut us down when it counted,’ said Hamels.

Philadelphia came into the series on a five-game winning streak and looked to extend it with Lee and Oswalt lined up to face the struggling Diamondbacks.

Those two couldn’t get it done, leaving it up to Hamels to avoid the sweep.

The left-hander wasn’t quite as dominant as his shutout of the Mets for 1-0, but was good enough against the Diamondbacks.

Hamels gave up an RBI double to Melvin Mora after a leadoff walk in the second inning, then retired the next 10 batters before pinch hitter Juan Miranda led off the sixth with a triple. Young hit the next pitch out to left for a two-run homer, cutting Philadelphia’s lead to 6-3.

Hamels came back out to finish off the seventh after allowing three runs on four hits, picking up the win Philadelphia hoped to get from Lee and Oswalt.

‘I don’t necessarily think it was a pick up,’ said Hamels, whose three hits pitched the fourth straight start.

‘You’re not going to have good games all the time, but just knowing some of these is some of the best pitchers in the game and you have to go out and put your end of the bargain.’

The Diamondbacks won the series with the worst outing of the season from solid outings from Ian Kennedy and Daniel Hudson, and were hoping for another from Saunders, who allowed a run on two hits in six innings of a no-decision against the Mets on Friday.

They didn’t get it.

Hit hard almost from his first pitch, Saunders gave up three straight hits to open the game and three runs in the inning, on a run-scoring double by Rolls and Francis’s two-run, ground-rule double.

Victorino hit a two-out solo homer in the second and Rolls lifted his first homer to left off Saunders in the fifth, a two-run shot that put the Phillies up 6-1.

Saunders lasted 5 2-3 innings, giving up six runs on eight hits.

‘You have to keep your head up, turn the page and get ready for next day because I don’t think I’m pitching that bad,’ said Saunders, who has lost his last two decisions, dating to last season.

‘It is just the results aren’t there yet. I am going to go home, sacrifice a live chicken and turn this thing around.’

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**NBA**

Smart out after one year as Warriors head coach

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — This was one shot Keith Smart couldn’t make.

Maybe nobody could.

The Golden State Warriors parted ways with their head coach Wednesday, the first major fallout from the firing of owner Chris Mullin, who left the franchise as owner before rehiring Nelson Don Nelson just before training camp. The Warriors went 36-46 under Smart, a 10-game improvement from the previous season but clearly not enough to appease owners Joe Lacob and Peter Guber.

Only a rare playoff appearance was likely to save Smart’s job.

‘I wouldn’t say it was impossible,’ Warriors general manager Larry Riley said of Smart’s challenge.

‘But it was difficult. We all acknowledged the fact that we came out of the gate quick, but there was something that was wrong from the jump.’

The new brass managed to hastily promote Smart in place even before the NBA officially approved the sale of the Warriors last fall for a record $450 million from longtime owner Chris Cohan.

Smart was only given a one-year contract with a team option for next season, and he was often labeled a fill-in candidate charged with overseeing the transition.

The coach met with Lacob and the basketball operations staff in the morning and was told he wouldn’t be retained.

‘It’s a very complex decision and not an easy thing to do. No one likes to make changes that affect someone’s life,’ Lacob said.

The new coach will decide whether to keep the assistants on staff.

Lacob said Riley and his staff will make the choice on a new coach, with his input. While Lacob would prefer someone with previous NBA head coaching experience, that won’t be a requirement.

He declined to say whether the Warriors are interested in former Utah Jazz coach Jerry Sloan or NBA analyst and former Knick and Rocket Van Gundy — two names who have surfaced already.

Others sure to receive attention include former Cleveland Cavaliers coach Mike Brown and Lawrence Frank, the one-time New Jersey Nets coach who’s now the top assistant with the Boston Celtics — where Lacob previously held a small stake in the team.

Lacob would like to move swiftly in finding a new coach and acknowledged the front office has begun meetings with potential candidates.

‘We’re going to look for some one with, certainly, experience, someone with a lot of great ability to relate to players,’ Lacob said.

‘We’re going to look at a number of people and try to make the best choice we can to be the best we can be.’

Smart had little time to deliver them a winner.

He declared from the moment he began that he would put his own stamp on the bench no matter how long his tenure lasted. He walked around the locker room before training camp asking for a handshake from each player, signaling a pact that they would allow Smart to coach them and be involved in their lives.

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Chris: This is as I know, the fourth most obie city in America.

Tom: Soon to be number three. We’re coming for you San Antonio.

Ann: How was your run? Chris: Ended with a five-and-a-half minute mile. My personal best. I think the pavement in this town is soft.

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MILWAUKEE — Ryan Braun, Prince Fielder and Casey McGehee have all gotten off to sizzling starts for the Brewers. All three went quiet against Aroldis Chapman and the Reds.

The middle of Milwaukee’s order finished 0 for 12 and ace Yovani Gallardo gave up six runs in the Brewers’ 7-6 loss in 10 innings to Cincinnati on Wednesday.

“It’s just the way it is. Our swings were good. That’s baseball, unfortunately. You can’t average four hits a game,” Fielder said. “It’s not basketball. It’s not going to be a high scoring percentage every day.”

Drew Stubbs hit a solo homer in the 10th inning off Sergio Mitre (0-1) that was the difference after Milwaukee had rallied to tie from deficits of 4-0 and 6-4.

“Baseball is crazy. Like today, we lost the game by one run. The big guys today in the lineup didn’t do too good,” center fielder Carlos Gomez said. The Brewers would’ve settled for one timely hit in the eighth when Chapman (2-0) got out of a bases-loaded jam using 101 mph fastballs.

After Chapman hit Rickie Weeks to load the bases, he struck out Gomez and forced Braun to weakly ground out on a 101 mph offering.

“It’s tough. You just know you put it in play and anything can happen. Obviously that’s why they brought him in because they needed strikeouts at the time,” Brewers manager Ron Roenicke said. “Once he hit Rickie, I felt pretty good. And then all of a sudden he was throwing strikes.”

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Miami closes out Philadelphia, Boston next

NBA

MIAMI — Not easy. But over.

For the first time since 2006, the Miami Heat have won a playoff series — and, finally, can start thinking in earnest about another showdown with the Boston Celtics.

Dwyane Wade scored 26 points, Chris Bosh added 22 points and 11 rebounds, and the Heat advanced to the Eastern Conference semifinals by topping Philadelphia 97-91 on Wednesday night and ousting the 76ers in five games.

Mario Chalmers scored 20 points off the bench and LeBron James finished with 16 points, 10 rebounds and eight assists for Miami. Joel Anthony made a pair of free throws with 16.8 seconds left for the Heat, who will face Boston with 16.8 seconds left, restoring the three-point edge. Iguodala missed on Philadelphia's next possession, and Miami finally escaped.

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Philadelphia simply would not go away. The Sixers got within two on three occasions and — helped by a technical foul assessed by Steve Javie against Wade with 51 seconds left, cut Miami’s lead to one point at 90-89 and again at 92-91.

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Belles cancel pair of games against Albion

By JOSEPH MONARDO
Spokes Writer

The Belles were forced to cancel a scheduled doubleheader once again Wednesday due to inclement weather, this time against conference opponent Albion.

Bad weather has hounded Saint Mary’s (14-11, 3-5 MIAA) all season, leading to two cancelled doubleheaders and the postponement of several other games. The most recent rainout left Saint Mary’s and Albion (16-14, 6-6 MIAA) with a conference matchup to reschedule before the MIAA tournament, which begins May 5.

The Belles have only played one doubleheader in the last 16 days, during which stretch games have been postponed a total of five times. Even taking into account the perennial bad weather of the region, this season has been especially impeded by postponements.

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matchups for the week rained out, the Belles are ready to get back on the field to face Hope (22-11-1, 9-1 MIAA) this afternoon. The matchup against Hope, which was originally scheduled for April 19, has been postponed a total of three times leading up to today.

The Saint Mary’s players were thoroughly frustrated by the multiple delays and were eager to retake the field. Bojorquez said.

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field and conditions were deemed unsuitable to play in. The game will be rescheduled. The rainout is the fifth postponement of the year due to darkness or weather for the Irish (14-20-1, 5-9 Big East). Their March 22 home opener against Oakland was postponed, as was their Saturday series finale in New York against St. John’s, leading to an eight-day gap between games.

The Irish last played in a doubleheader April 21 against the Red Storm, 21-13 and 10-4, Notre Dame dropped both games, including a loss highlighted by a 15-strikeout shutout from Red Storm sophomore right-hander Kyle Hansen.

The Irish will return to action and host Big East foe Seton Hall this weekend for a three-game series starting Friday at 6:35 p.m. and concluding Saturday at 11:05 a.m. at Frank Eck Stadium.
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would get a no-hitter my first year out,” Winter said. “I really had only planned on doing my job when I was needed and doing that to the best of my abilities. I knew that I had a chance to be successful because I have such a strong team to support me and they helped out a lot today.”

All season Winter has proved herself a tremendous addition to Notre Dame’s already accomplished pitching staff.

“It is rare for a freshman to come in and have such an impact pitching,” senior catcher Lex Clay said. “Most go through a learning curve their freshman year and then are more seasoned for big game pitching, but Laura is holding her own. She has a lot of movement, a lot of pitches, and great composure.”

Winter’s no-hitter was particularly timely against the Bulls (32-17, 12-3 Big East), as Winter and the Irish faced off with another top notch freshman in USF’s Nevins, who owns a 0.31 conference ERA. But Nevins impressive record was not a concern for the Irish freshman on the opposite mound.

“Really don’t worry about who is on out the mound for the other teams,” Winter said. “I just always strive to be the pitcher that game to come out on top.”

Though Nevins retired 12 batters in the first four innings of game one, Winter fired back, punching out nine Bulls as 51 of her 77 pitches went for strikes. Thanks to Winter, the only offensive the Irish needed to claim the 1-0 victory in the opener was a two-out double by senior Erin Marrone to score freshman pinch runner Monica Torres in the fifth inning. The loss christened Nevins with her first earned run in 46.0 innings, along with her first Big East loss.

In game two Notre Dame (35-8, 11-1) kicked its offense into gear as Clay got the ball rolling with a quick first inning single.

“The second game, they started their ace [Nevins] again, and we hit her much better the second game,” Clay said. “We had a lot more hits from a lot of places in the lineup.”

While sophomore hurler Brittany O’Donnell took a no-hitter into the sixth inning of the second game, the Irish offense found its legs in juniors Dani Miller and Alexa Maldonado and seniors Brianna Jorgensborg, Sadie Fitzenger and Marrone, all of whom contributed hits in the 5-0 victory. Notre Dame displayed why it owns the best batting average in the Big East at .375 as five different players accounted for the teams five runs. The 12-hit effort marks the seventh time Notre Dame has accumulated double-digit hits totals in 11 league games. Winter said the team is feeling confident as the post-season draws closer.

“I have always had confidence that the team would be strong in the post season but like every team, there are nerves that come with it,” Winter said. “The team that can take those nerves and turn them into a positive when the time comes will always prevail.”

The Irish now return to South Bend for a six-game home stand that kicks off Friday against St. John’s.

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NHL

Lightning beat Penguins

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Dwayne Roloson made 36 saves for his second NHL playoff shutout, Sean Bergenheim scored, and the Tampa Bay Lightning completed a big series comeback and eliminated the Pittsburgh Penguins with a 1-0 win in Game 7 on Wednesday night.

Roloson became the second goalie to go 6-0 in elimination games. He allowed only four goals in winning the final three games as Tampa Bay erased a 3-1 series deficit. That matched his feat in 2003 when he led the Minnesota Wild to a comeback against the Vancouver Canucks in the second round.

The No. 5 seed Lightning will now face the top-seeded Washington Capitals in the Eastern Conference semifinals.

The Penguins lost their second consecutive Game 7 and fell to 2-6 in such deciding games at home.

Bergenheim’s goal 5:41 into the second period was his third in the final four games of the series. Tampa Bay hadn’t advanced in the playoffs since winning the Stanley Cup in 2004. Despite a 36-23 edge in shots, the Sidney Crosby-less Penguins lost three consecutive games for the first time since Dec. 27, 2009-Jan. 3, 2010 — a span of 141 games.

Playing their first Game 7 on the road, the Lightning were the first this year to win a series after trailing 3-1. Tampa Bay is 3-0 in Game 7s.

The Lightning killed a slashing penalty given to Nate Thompson with 1:33 left that gave the Penguins a 6-on-4 skating advantage after goalie Marc-Andre Fleury was pulled.

That was the fifth unsuccessfull power play of the game for Pittsburgh, which was 1-for-35 for the series and had no power-play goals in 25 chances at home. After the Penguins took 17 of the first 24 shots, Bergenheim scored on a familiar play set up by a blind backhand pass by Dominic Moore. Moore skated behind the net toward the left wing side and got the puck to Bergenheim, who was standing alone below the right circle.

Fleury hadn’t even turned his head back toward Bergenheim’s side of the ice as the puck was heading into the net.
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depth in its lineup this season, as some of its key starters, including junior Sam Kerton, are injured. The Kansas City native has been out of the lineup for most of this season after having a big impact last year.

"Sam Kerton has a chance to be really good next year," Bayliss said. "He needs to embrace the concept of facing serve-developing patterns to go with varying serving targets." His convincing straight-set win over Louisville’s Alejandro Calligari came after a six-week layoff and was remarkable.

While the plethora of injuries suffered by his squad this season Bayliss has narrowed his roster down to eight players and has started a total of nine off-and-on throughout the year. It is possible that Notre Dame will have one roster for this weekend, and a different one in two weeks when they head to the NCAA’s.

Roasting a talented group of seniors and a strong core returning from last year’s squad, the Irish are poised to make a deep run in both competitions. Bayliss said a number of his players are playing good tennis.

"[Senior] Dan Stahl has become a very good upper-lineup player," Bayliss said. "[Senior] Tyler Davis gave us solid contributions in singles and doubles as well as being a two-time captain."

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his leg on the relay," Rae said. The pair of meets marks the last tune-up for the Irish before the Big East championships May 6. With the upcoming meet in the back of their minds, the focus is still on doing well this weekend.

"We placed a close second in the mile relay last year, so going back and getting the win this year is really important for us," Rae said.

For the women, sophomore Rebecca Tracy has proven herself as a standout performer, taking second place in both the 1,500-meter and 800-meter at the Mt. SAC Relays and Long Beach State Invitational two weeks ago. Additionally, the women need strong performances from senior thrower Rudy Ang, who took third place at the Long Beach State Invitational and junior Maddie Buttinger, who took first place in the heptathlon at the Polytan Invitational Saturday.

The Irish begin competition at the Drake Relays Thursday and at the Gia Relays Friday. Both events will continue through Saturday.

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Frilling cited The Firm’s endurance as a large factor in her team’s success. "I think our team has great chemistry and we all care about how we do and about each other," Frilling said. "Little things like that make a difference, even when you don’t think it matters.

The tournament will begin Friday at 9 a.m. when the Irish take on Georgetown at the Courtney Tennis Center. Matches continue Saturday and the Big East champion will be crowned.

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**ND SOFTBALL**

Harsh Winter

No-hitter first by Irish freshman in 10 years

By KELSEY MANNING
Sports Writer

In a matchup of freshman pitching standouts between Notre Dame’s Laura Winter and South Florida’s Sara Nevins, it was Winter who stole the show with a masterful performance on the mound. Winter threw a no-hitter against the conference-leading Bulls to spark the Irish to a sweep of a doubleheader in Tampa by scores of 1-0 and 5-0.

Winter’s achievement comes at the end of a stellar debut season for the right-handed hurler from San Diego, named Big East Pitcher of the Week two weeks ago, the freshman lengthened her list of accomplishments yesterday by becoming the first Irish freshman to throw a no-hitter since Kristin Schmidt in 2001. The last Irish player to accomplish the feat was senior Jodi Valdivia in 2010.

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**BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL**

Size helps Texas Roadhouse defeat Old School to advance

By MEGAN GOLDEN
Sports Writer

Texas Roadhouse used experience and height to tower over Old School, as athleticism proved victorious over Old School’s older but well-conditioned squad in a 21-16 Texas Roadhouse win.

Staff member Matt McBibine and graduate student Luke Chicoine kept Old School in the game all night long, playing scrappy defense in the post against Texas Roadhouse junior Taylor Williams. Texas Roadhouse junior point guard JT Sveevoard ran up and down the court tirelessly during the entire game, adding energy at the point guard position.

“It’s a tough matchup for us because they had both height and a quick guard out there,” Old School coach Todd Hill said. “They started draining outside jumpers there, and we had a letdown.”

Texas Roadhouse struggled to pull away, as Old School was almost always within two or three points. Offensively, Old School continued to fight back with the help of staff members Joel Dosmann, Matthew Blazejewski and Mark Bennett. Texas Roadhouse took an 11-8 lead into halftime.

Old School’s average age of 34 presented a challenge against a college-aged Texas Roadhouse team.

“We had a comeback, but I think it was a little bit too late there, we couldn’t finish,” Hill said.

“Given we’re double their age, I think it’s pretty impressive what we’ve done. We know athletic-wise, we’re not going to match up with these guys,” Texas Roadhouse senior Adam Dobrzykowski’s height on defense ultimately served as the difference in the game, however, as he held an advantage against all of Old School’s guards.

“Going into these games, we expect to win as the fifth seed,” Roadhouse freshman Pat Derksen said. “We’re pretty confident going in, and we just try and work the ball around, get good shots, box out, grab the rebound and just run — run those guys off the court.”

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**MEN’S TENNIS**

Irish host Big East tourney

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

The No. 28 Irish will host the Big East tournament beginning Friday at the Eck Tennis Center with a run-up to a rebound from last season’s Big East title-match loss to Louisville.

“Obviously our hope is to win the championship, but we can’t get too caught up in anything now except for Georgetown, our first opponent,” Irish coach Bobby Baylis said. “If we advance, we know that (South Florida) can be very good, as they beat a strong Florida State team this year and split matches with us last year.”

The Irish fell in the finals of last year’s tournament, also held in South Bend, to Louisville.

Notre Dame has relied on the

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**ND TRACK AND FIELD**

Team travels to Iowa, Michigan for meets

By MEGAN FINNERAN
Sports Writer

After a break from competition over the long Easter weekend, the Irish will return to action traveling to two separate meets Thursday and Friday. The squad will divide as some athletes and sharpshooters origi-

See the full article in the April 13 edition of The Observer.

**ND WOMEN’S TENNIS**

ND aims for fourth straight title

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

With the momentum of four wins in five matches on its side, No. 24 Notre Dame will begin play in the Big East championship Friday, attempting to win its fourth straight conference title.

“We’re finally getting into the last stretch of the year leading up to NCAAs,” junior captain Kristy Frilling said. “Now is the time for us to step it up.”

The Irish will have the home court advantage in the tournament. A win would give them a boost of confidence for the upcoming NCAA tournament, where the Irish have high hopes this year.

“As we get closer to NCAAs, we want everyone to be playing their best, being excited to com-

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