Notre Dame, Saint Mary's welcome freshmen

Class of 2015 excels in academics, service outside the classroom

By MEGAN DOYLE

"When I'm a teenager, my big plans are to be smart and to go to Notre Dame," said a fourth-grade student in an elementary school classroom.

A fourth-grade student in an elementary school classroom wrote those words in an essay more than eight years ago. This past spring, her mother sent her fourth-grade paper to the Office of Admissions as they considered her application.

The Office of Admissions said this girl will join over 2,000 incoming students who dreamt of Notre Dame since childhood. Her story showed that with a lot of hard work and a little help, anything is possible.

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Freshmen arrive on campus

By MARISA IATI

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Four new rectors join campus residence life

By SARA FELSENSTEIN

Incoming freshmen are not the only new residents on campus this semester as four new rectors prepare to lead Duncan, Fisher, Howard and Lyons Halls in the fall.

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Incoming class profile boasts strong grades, unique achievements

By CAITLIN HOUSLEY

A Unites States figure skater, a Taekwondo black belt, a Civil War re-enactor, and an award-winning novelist all share one thing in common: they all want to come to Saint Mary's. These women are part of the Class of 2015 at Saint Mary's this fall, said Vice President of Enrollment Management Mona Bowe.

"It's a great class. Academically, it's a little bit stronger than the last three classes, but very similar, and still exactly the kind of students that we want coming to Saint Mary's," said Bowe.

Direction of Admissions Kristen McAndrew said her staff reviewed 1,453 applications.
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Minn., said she chose Notre Dame because she liked the campus vibe and because several of her relatives were students here.

Spencer Edman, a freshman in St. Edward's Hall, said he chose Notre Dame because of the academic prestige and overall experience.

"There were a lot of schools I went to that were very strong academically, but Notre Dame had the whole package," he said. "Overall, it was a good choice for me.

The Sioux Falls, S.D., native said he most looks forward to meeting new people and gaining a different perspective on life.

"South Dakota is pretty insignificant on the scale. This is a bigger thing," he said. "I'm insignificant on the scale. This is life."

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into Notre Dame could become a reality.

Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Enrollment Don Bishop said the Class of 2015's applicant pool was the largest in the University's history.

"We were more selective than ever before, without a doubt," Bishop said. "We were more selective than ever before, without a doubt," he said. "I'm excited to move in and see something different."

Interhall sports were a pull for Willem Tax, a freshman from Asheville, N.C., when he enrolled at Notre Dame. As Tax moved into Sorin College Friday, he said the University's Catholic character and residence hall system also captured his interest.

"I went to a summer program [near home] for six weeks last year, and the dorms were single-sex," Tax said. "I'm kind of used to that, and we just really bonded. At night we would just hang out in the halls and talk about everything."

"The incoming students said they were excited to start college, they were nervous about being away from high school friends, trekking to class in the cold South Bend winter and leaving their families."

"I'm pretty far from home and everything I know," Tax said. "I feel like it's just nervousness about starting something new."

As the freshmen unloaded their cars and found their new homes, older students on hall orientation staff welcomed them to campus.

Junior Amy Jurvis, hall orientation commissioner for Ryan Hall, said she wants freshmen to understand that their residence hall and the University as a whole are truly home for them.

"After the weekend, I hope that they realize they can be themselves and be comfortable with it, whether that means playing sports on the quad or belting out ridiculous songs with their friends," she said.

"We put a lot of effort into choosing the people who truly represent the heart and soul of Keenan Hall and Notre Dame," Westby said. "Hopefully our delivery over the coming days of all the events and talks we've planned will give each freshman that unique moment where they simply know that they are where they've always wanted to be."

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The Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore posted textbook rental information for incoming freshmen.

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motions this year. [The Class of 2015 is] exactly the size of the student body that we were looking for in coming in this fall,” McAndrew said. “It’s just what we wanted.”

As the freshman class moved into their dorms Thursday, College faculty and staff welcomed the girls and helped them unload their belongings. Current students stood along the Avenue with signs that read, “Welcome home.”

“As much as we are running around and carrying stuff, I’m having a blast,” Bowe said.

Freshman Ahigail Roggemann moved into LeMans Hall Thursday. Roggemann said Saint Mary’s felt like home since the moment she made her first trip to campus.

“I once visited. I pretty much knew that I wanted to come here,” Roggemann said.

“It was just waiting to get accepted,”

Freshman Erin Cisneros also found an immediate connection with Saint Mary’s.

“It just took one visit, and I thought, ‘That’s where I want to go,’” Cisneros said.

According to the Office of Admissions, the application pool for the Class of 2015 was the largest in College history.

Bowe partly attributed the increase in enrollment to the College’s efforts to make tuition more affordable to new students.

“The College has made a commitment to trying to make the cost of attending Saint Mary’s affordable to all students,” Bowe said.

“Our budget for financial aid has increased, so we continue to raise money in endowed scholarship so we can continue to help the neediest students.”

The incoming class is also the most academically talented group yet at Saint Mary’s, Bowe said.

“The Office of Admissions reported 43.1 percent of freshmen are daughters of College alumni, and 63 percent of incoming freshmen earned a composite SAT of 1250 or higher.”

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Donor funds Science Hall renovation

By MADELINE MILES
News Writer

Recent donations from alumnae will allow the College to renovate its Science Hall, as well as invest in other science-related fields.

Saint Mary’s Science Hall, which houses the departments of biology, chemistry and physics, will receive modernized equipment and updated systems after a $10 million donation from an alumna. Saint Mary’s President Carol Ann Mooney announced the gift in March.

Jennifer Mathile Prikkel, a 1995 College graduate, and her parents, Clayton and MaryAnn Mathile, donated the funds to the school in the spring. The contribution is the largest single private gift in College history.

“This transformational gift will provide facilities equal to the quality of our students and faculty,” Mooney said in a press release when the College announced the donation. “Saint Mary’s has taught science to women for nearly 150 years, and this gift will ensure that future female students will work in cutting-edge laboratories and classrooms.”

The renovations will include creating learning labs that support an interdisciplinary pedagogy and relocating and expanding the computer lab. The donation will also provide funds to renovate and replace lighting and heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems, Director of Media Relations Gwen O’Brien said.

A time line has not been set for the project.

Prikkel, a member of the Saint Mary’s Board of Trustees, said she felt called to donate after touring the Science Hall. The College’s mission reminded her of the way her parents, the former owners of the pet food company, often, often invested in science education.

“That memory” collided with what Saint Mary’s does — to educate, to be objective and “to use your heart,” Prikkel said in a recent interview.

In the press release announcing the donation, Prikkel said the gift is a strong endorsement of Saint Mary’s mission.

Saint Mary’s produces scientists who are socially aware, who are making a difference in the world,” she said. “I recently met two seniors whose research uses inexpensive paper analytical devices (PADs) in the wars against malaria and elephantiasis. I was amazed at their work. Imagine what our students will be able to do when they have state of the art facilities in which to study and do their experiments.”

The donation was followed by another significant gift to science education at Saint Mary’s. This summer, Mooney also announced a bequest of $4.7 million in the will of alumna Marjorie Neuhoff. The bequest from the 1945 College graduate is the largest in the history of the College.

The gift will be used to establish endowments for a chair in nursing, a need-based scholarship and the Summer Science Research Communities, according to a press release.

“Just like the first-year students, the Notre Dame student body has become more and more competitive,” Camilleri said.

Unlike first-year admissions, no major or transfer students are not competing for a set number of seats. However, when the number was highly selective as they evaluate nearly 400 transfer applications.

Admitted transfer applicants have an average GPA of 3.8 from a variety of challenging institutions, Camilleri said. Exceptional academic majors may be the only consideration for the transfer class this year.

“Students are coming from all over the place. We don’t have any partner universities,” Camilleri said. “They’re sending us for a variety of reasons. Some were admitted and chose to go elsewhere, some were not admitted initially, some never applied and later decided Notre Dame was a better fit.”

The students’ intended majors vary as much as their backgrounds, Camilleri said.

“Transferring is hard in today’s world,” she said. “We know it, and we have a day where we all welcome them — the President’s Luncheon, ‘Football 101’ and readmitted students, transfer students, students who are randomly assigned to rooms.”

Transfers are offered on-campus housing based on a lottery system, and Shoup said no consideration is given to parents in most cases. Accepted students accepted their offers of admission. All first-year students, transfer students are randomly assigned to dorms this fall.

“When your lottery number comes up, it’s basically, ‘Here is your room for the semester.’ I mean it!” Shoup said. “We do have some cases where people have to move out of their leases and have to decline.”

Historically, Shoup said transfer students still hoping on the campus may not be able to do so at the semesters end.

The last several years we’ve been able to get every student on campus, a transfer student who didn’t get on fall because there tend to be more students who are still underclassmen in the spring,” he said. “We [also] have some students move off, move in, and some withdraw.”

California to the student’s address at Notre Dame, the transfer orientation committee seeks to make “home under the Dome” feel real for incoming transfers.

Senior Taylor Popplewell, co-commissioner for Transfer Orientation, said the four-day event provides transfer students with a support system while they find their bearings at a new school.

“I think ‘Transfer-O’ is great because it provides transfers a means to acclimate to the campus and to get to know over 110 people going through the same thing they are,” Popplewell said. “Transferring is hard in itself, so having that community of people makes it easier.”

Some of the highlights of the weekend include a welcome mass, the President’s Luncheon, ‘Football 101’ and orientation for transfer students.

“At the President’s Luncheon, Fr. Jenkins addresses the new transfer class. He [was] actually a transfer himself, and it’s an amazing part of the orientation because he’s been in our place and he said we also have academic meetings with our advisors, but then there’s also a ton of fun activities like ‘Football 101’ where we teach all the cheers and dance routines when we move off, we have a day where we all hang out and just relax for a day and prepare for classes on Tuesday,” Popplewell said.

During the orientation, students are assigned transfer “parents” from the 26 computer science majors.

“They have a close-knit connection with a smaller number of people,” Popplewell said. “They have to rely on others on not only in orientation but throughout the school year.”

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College of Science Dean Gregory Crawford wears his summer souvenirs around his wrist. Red and green rubber bracelets, which read “Dillon’s Army” and “Race for Adam,” remind Gregory of the children living with Niemann-Pick Type C (NPC) disease he and his wife Renate met on their 2,200 mile “Road to Discovery” bike ride this summer.

“We did something different this year [from last year’s “Desert to Dome” bike ride],” Gregory said. “This year, we wanted to actually focus on the disease and the families and the children it affects.”

Last year, the dean and his wife biked nearly 2,300 miles from Arizona to South Bend to raise awareness for NPC research. This summer, the couple’s second journey for the disease began in Boston June 13 and ended in Dallas July 11. A van and two drivers, as well as one of the Crawford daughters, accompanied the couple on their trip. Individuals, families and friends signed the van at the stops along the way and phrases from these well-wishers, including singer-songwriter Amy Grant, energized the Crawfords on their trip.

“We even met parents who had lost children to this disease,” Renate said, pointing to a message on the van. “Rhonda from Providence lost her son to the disease, and she wrote, ‘They only have a childhood to live a lifetime.’”

Another message scrawled on the side of the car read, “2,200 miles can make a world of difference.”

“We met with families along the way,” Gregory said. “Every day after riding, we had events [and] meetings with alumni clubs, researchers and families.”

The couple began in Boston with Ara Parseghian, whose namesake and grandfather is the former Irish football coach. Parseghian, a fourth-year medical student at Tufts School of Medicine, watched his three siblings die of NPC, a neurodegenerative disease that inhibits the body’s ability to process cholesterol. He now serves on the National Board of Directors for the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation, which funds research to find a cure for NPC.

A photograph of the late Parseghian children – Michael, Marcia and Christa – hangs in Gregory’s office.

While the journey was emotionally and physically difficult, Renate said the trip was also rewarding.

“Every day, your mind is completely filled with the thoughts of the children you met the night before,” she said. “The trip was more rewarding because it’s personal. I never felt sore or tired while riding because of the thoughts of the families. They were so appreciative.”

The journey ended in Dallas at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, where two Nobel Laureates conduct NPC research.

The cost of NPC is higher than many people realize, Gregory said. Many of the drugs used to ease symptoms are “off-label,” meaning insurance companies will not pay for the treatments.

All funds raised through their journey are dedicated to research at Notre Dame to find a cure for NPC.

“NPC is a disease that doesn’t have a cure or therapy,” Gregory said. “Part of Notre Dame’s mission, part of its character, is to pick challenges like this up.”

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GRC restructures orientation event

By MARISA IATI News Writer

When first-year students enter the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Monday for the traditional "College HAS Issues: Hookups, Alcohol and Sexual Assault" program, they will be greeted with an unusual request — to bring their cell phones and keep them on.

David Moss, assistant vice president for Student Affairs and interim director of the Gender Relations Center (GRC), said the office revamped the annual program for the Class of 2015 to make it more relevant.

"We're trying to find a way to engage the student a little better...as our purpose is going to be to change things up to bring the [program] into the 21st century," Moss said. "It will be one of the first times in the history of DeBartolo that students will be allowed to keep their cell phones on. We'll cover basically the same information, talking about hookups, alcohol, sexual assault, but it'll be done in a little different manner, so it should be interesting for the students."

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"The changes in the program are meant to better communicate the information with the exhausted first-year students," he said. "The good news is if we work together to better educate [students] and prevent these things from happening, we can make it go away," he said. "This is an important message, so we have to be more creative about how we get the message across."

Moss said he and other members of the GRC staff discussed how the program could be improved for this fall, and was enthusiastic about the revisions.

"It's going to be an excellent program," he said.

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RecSports changes club policies

By MEL FLANAGAN News Writer

Under a new RecSports policy, club teams will be allowed to coexist with varsity teams of the same sport during this school year. David Brown, assistant director of club sports, said.

In the past, RecSports did not permit a club team to be formed if a varsity team already existed in that sport. Brown said, now, students may apply to create a club team in any sport, even if that sport already has a varsity squad.

The new policy was good news for juniors Ben Galloway and Stefan Hogle. The pair will begin a club tennis team, a goal since their freshman year in 2009.

"Early in the spring semester, we were fortunate enough to be contacted and asked if we would be interested in pursuing this opportunity," Galloway said.

Galloway and Hogle agreed that while intramural teams have been a great way to stay involved in the sport they love, they are excited to compete against other schools.

"We feel club teams will provide students a way to take that competitive edge to the next level — to further encourage school identity and unity while still promoting college rivalries in a non-varsity setting," Galloway said.

Hogle and Galloway, the club's co-presidents, immediately accepted the offer. Juniors Nate Balmert, Matt Smith and Anna Wanzek will also serve as the club's officers.

As the group applied for club status, Balmert said the process was complicated at first. "Courts will also be tough to come by, but we will be able to get some time with priority similar to the Saint Mary's team and there are high school courts as well," Balmert said.

Smith said he has high hopes for the team. "I know that interhall tennis teams were very strong, and that all of us were state or national players in high school," he said. "I think there are a lot of kids that are great players but aren't quite Division I players, and hopefully our club can take that role for some."

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"The good news is if we work together to better educate [students] and prevent these things from happening, we can make it go away," he said. "This is an important message, so we have to be more creative about how we get the message across."

Moss said he and other members of the GRC staff discussed how the program could be improved for this fall, and was enthusiastic about the revisions.

"It's going to be an excellent program," he said.

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Eddy Street adds three businesses

By EMILY SCHRANK
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Brothers Bar and Grill, Urban Outfitters and McAlister’s Deli will open their Eddy Street Commons doors for the first time this fall.

Brothers, located on the east side of Eddy Street, is scheduled to open in October and targets college towns for their lively atmosphere and full menu. Marc Fortney, one of the founders, said the bar and restaurant will offer both good food and exciting nightlife to customers.

“We’re going to be a lot of booths with a big bar component,” Fortney said. “We are doing the largest tap beer selection we’ve ever done. We are going to have over 80 tap handles on draft. It’s going to be absolutely over-the-top and a first-class establishment for Notre Dame.”

The bar and restaurant is currently hiring for its October opening. Fortney said, “We just want to make sure we get out of the box properly... and that we can provide really great service to our customers throughout the day and the late night.”

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“This high-quality deli operation founded in Oxford, Miss., [also] targets college towns and will appeal to students and area residents alike,” Hakanen said. “Construction is progressing rapidly.”

The retailer Urban Outfitters will also join the development.

“Construction on this popular store is nearing completion, and opening is anticipated in late August,” Hakanen said. Urban Outfitters is located on the east side of Eddy Street, just south of The Mark restaurant.

Hakanen said the retail component of Eddy Street Commons has only four small storefronts left.

“Kite Realty Group is being selective in choosing the remaining tenants, including a coffee shop and a convenience store,” he said.

Development plans for a second phase of Eddy Street Commons are currently unavailable, Hakanen said.

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No matter how many Chicagoland natives you meet named Katherine, Kathleen or Megan, no matter how many tall, skinny, pale guys awkwardly and I broke up a month into college. I wouldn’t have experienced the awkwardness of a dining hall date, and I wouldn’t have appreciated the awkwardness of a dinner hall date, and I wouldn’t be dating my boyfriend now.

But I can give you some perspective. And to varying degrees, all of that happened. My high school boyfriend and I broke up a month into college. I was sad, but if that hadn’t happened, I wouldn’t have experienced the awkwardness of a dinner hall date, and I wouldn’t be dating my boyfriend now.

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Congratulations, freshmen.

You’ve said goodbye to your high school friends, you’ve arranged your impossibly small dorm room and you’ve met and judged your roommates.

You’ve officially made it through those first awkward, stressful, challenging moments of college. Now take a second and breathe. There will be plenty more where those came from in the next four years, but hopefully by the end of this column you’ll find a bit more prepared.

I can’t say goodbye to your parents for you. sit next to you in your first class or hold your arm at your first dorm party.

But I can give you some perspective to take with you along the way. I had a lot of fears coming into college: break-ins, losing touch with my high school friends, not liking Notre Dame, which had always been my dream school.

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Living with your friends in college makes for both pee-your-pants and I’m so glad they did. So my best advice is to welcome all the change that’s going to happen instead of trying to fight it.

You’ll be surprised how it changes you for the better. It will be a little while before you’re able to see that, though, so in the mean time, let’s focus on the more practical items.

There’s no better way to stand out as a freshman than to wander around the dining hall aimlessly and enter lines from the wrong end. I can’t speak for North Dining Hall, but at South Dining Hall, the pasta line starts after the bananas, the vegetable line starts away from the drinks and the apple/salad line starts from the Chinese food. Follow suit.

The dining hall is a great place to meet up with so-and-so this weekend. I have an awkward Facebook message about our astronomy homework. We laugh about it now, but who would I get relationship advice from in moments of panic if I hadn’t taken that first step?

Learn to love Taylor Swift. Choose your classes based on the professor. A good professor makes all the difference.

Do not write a letter to The Observer detailing your freshman year hiccups. Do sign up for The Observer at activities night. It’s been the best part of my college experience so far.

When you walk outside and it’s -20 degrees, you don’t have a hugger hanging out of your nose. That’s just the feeling of your nose hairs freezing. Truly take in these next few years. They’ve been the best years of my life so far, and I am confident they will be for you as well. Enjoy.

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Keep your “eyes high”

For 169 consecutive years, the University of Notre Dame has opened its doors to welcome new students. For those serving here, we approach this year with as much zeal and optimism as you, our first-year, transfer, professional and new graduate students bring to campus.

The University’s legacy is long and its traditions are deep, but your presence renews and enlivens this storied Catholic institution. On behalf of all of us who serve in Student Affairs, we welcome our newest members to campus, but most importan-
ty, to our community.

The Division of Student Affairs, in concert with our col-
leagues throughout campus, strives to facilitate your intellec-
tual, spiritual and personal growth. The integration of these essential human dimensions is one hallmark of a Notre Dame education.

The University offers a variety of valuable resources to assist you. Our 29 undergraduate residence halls and two graduate and family residence facilities help to create the sense of com-
munity that is one of our most distinctive features. Student service departments in the Division of Student Affairs are experienced in supporting both specialized needs and integrative approaches to your development. You will find ready partners among the dedicated staff of Campus Ministry, the Career Center, Multicultural Student Programs and Services, the Counseling Center, the Gender Relations Center, the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education, University Health Services, the Office of Residence Life, Student Activities and the Office of Housing.

As you enter into this community I encourage you to keep your “eyes high” as you walk about campus — so that we might greet one another personally and as a way to consider the long horizon of your life when contemplating the individual decisions and countless opportunities awaiting you. Please know you have the very best efforts and wishes of the Student Affairs Division and that you are lifted in prayer daily by me, and my brothers and sisters of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

Fr. Tom Doyle, C.S.C.
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University of Notre Dame
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The real Saint Mary’s

On behalf of the faculty and staff at Saint Mary’s College, I extend a warm welcome to the Class of 2015 and our transfer students. As the 11th president of Saint Mary’s, and a proud alumna, I know how powerful this experience will be for you. You will spend the next four years in a rigorous academic environment sup-
ported by an excellent faculty; close friends and a deeply caring staff.

As a Holy Cross institution, we place a special emphasis on the education of the whole person. Your educa-
tion does not end when you leave the classroom. Every activity in which you will participate will enhance your collegiate experience. I encourage you to participate in as many co-curricular activities as time and your academic schedule will permit. Over 80 percent of our students participate in community service. This num-
ber demonstrates the importance we place on giving back and on experiential learning.

One of my aspirations for you is that you will develop a sense of obligation to promote the common good and that your entire life and work will reflect that understanding. If this happens for you, then you, too, will have experienced the real Saint Mary’s.

The world needs women educated in the Saint Mary’s way. Our proud 167-year tradition of educating women to make a difference in the world now includes you. It is your turn to make history at Saint Mary’s College. I look forward to accompanying you on this exciting journey.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Mooney
President
Saint Mary’s College
Aug. 20, 2011

To the Belles

Class of 2015 Belles, I’d like to welcome you home! To the beautiful Avenue and the Golden Dome.

Maybe right now you are nervous or scared.

But let me tell you first-hand, you have no need to worry.

Everyone’s in the same place, you’ll make friends in a hurry!

Those friends will quickly turn into your family.

You just gained 1,600 new sisters, just wait and see,

We are all here to help you and want only your best.

So please get involved, there is so much to do.

Work hard in classes, attendance is the key!

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As you do, we hope you’ll consider us for the transition. You can find a member of our team by looking for an “Ask Me” name tag and

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Navigating the Dining Hall

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- Pasta & Pizza
- Tray Return
- Beignets & Fruit
- Beignets & Muffins
- Beignets & Danish
- Beignets & French Toast
- Trays & Accessories

SOUTH DINING HALL
- Sandwiches
- Ice Cream
- Wash BASLS
- Wash BAGS
- Wash BAGG
- Wash BAGT
- Wash BAGU
- Wash BAGV
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- Wash BAGX
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• If you don’t like crowds, don’t go to the dining halls between 6 and 6:30 p.m.
• Check the menu online at food.nd.edu ahead of time — it will save you time and effort when you get to the dining hall.
• Don’t stand motionless in the middle of a walkway — people will hit you, and you might just lose your food.
• Don’t cut lines — everyone is just as hungry as you are.
• If you accidentally walk out of the dining hall with a spoon or fork in hand, there’s an amnesty bin outside each building at the end of the year to return it.
FRESHMAN BINGO

After you’ve participated in one of these events, cover the corresponding square. Try to get five in a row before the year is up and see which of your friends can get it the fastest.

- Joined a club
- Attended Hip-Hop Night
- Painted your body for a game
- Gone on a sponsored trip
- Participated in a sport
- Gone to a themed dorm party
- Participated in the Fisher Regatta
- Done push ups in the stadium
- Ate a midnight dog
- Made the Dean’s List
- Watched a SUB movie
- Started a Viewpoint war
- Free Space!
- Ended the night at Nick’s Patio
- Traveled to an away game
- Gone to every library floor
- Worked at a concession stand
- Met Fr. Hesburgh
- Played bookstore basketball
- Appeared in The Observer
- Been set-up for an SYR
- Lit a candle at the Grotto
- Swam in Stonehenge
- Won Legends trivia
- Dressed up for a pep rally

FALL SEMESTER HIGHLIGHTS

B1 Block Party
Every year, Legends hosts a concert to kickoff the fall semester. Last year Guster rocked the B1 parking lot and this year, DJ and mash-up artist Girl Talk will take the stage. Exclusively for Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross students, the $10 ticket not only grants you access to the concert, but also to activities throughout the evening.

Women’s Soccer National Champions
Last fall, the Notre Dame women’s soccer team unseated the previously undefeated Stanford to win the national championship. Head to Alumni Fields this fall to watch the No. 1 women defend their title.

USC Night Game
On Oct. 22, 2011 Notre Dame stadium will host its first night game in 21 years. The Fighting Irish will take on the Trojans of USC under the lights in one of the biggest rivalry games of the season. We don’t know when there will be another night game, so make the most of this exciting opportunity.
## Fall 2011 Notre Dame

### Varsity Athletics Schedule

**Event Locations**
- **Football** — Notre Dame Stadium
- **Men's and Women's Soccer** — Alumni Stadium
- **Women's Volleyball** — Purcell Pavillion
- **Men's and Women's Golf** — Warren Golf Course
- **Cross Country** — Notre Dame Golf Course
- **Fight Like a Champion Today** — Purcell Pavillion
- **Men's and Women's Tennis** — Eck Tennis Pavilion

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As Notre Dame prepares for the 2011-12 season, many things are the exact same as they were a year ago.

Once again, the Irish reflect on an early-exit from the NCAA tournament. Once again, the team leader has graduated and gone pro. And once again, these items have led to relatively low expectations for the upcoming season.

Last year, those low expectations resulted in a 26-6 record and a No. 5 ranking leading into the NCAA tournament, where the Irish were seeded second in their regional in Chicago.

“I’m thrilled to jump on the bus to come down the toll road over here,” Brey said heading into the opening game against No. 15-seed Akron.

But when the Irish left Chicago, Brey was not as thrilled, suffering a 71-57 season-ending loss to No. 10-seed Florida State.

“We’re all really leveled physically and emotionally because we invested so much,” Brey said immediately afterward. “It’s hard for me to frame the season right now.”

Brey lost three starters to graduation from that squad — guard Ben Hansbrough and forwards Tyrone Nash and Carleton Scott.

Hansbrough hoped to follow up his Big East Player of the Year award with a draft pick from the NBA, but did not receive an offer. Facing the NBA lockout, Hansbrough opted to head overseas to Germany to play for FC Bayern Muenchen.

Nash, who left Notre Dame as the program’s all-time winningest player with 96 total wins, also went undrafted and joined a separate professional team in Germany.

Scott, however, turned pro with one year of eligibility remaining, expecting to hear his name in the draft. He too did not get drafted to the NBA and has caught on with a team in Spain.

The loss of these three starters and their combined averages of 39.1 points per game, 17.2 rebounds and 9.0 assists forced Notre Dame to turn to newcomers to pick up the slack. But highly-touted recruit Eric Katenda suffered a severed optic nerve this summer, and his career on the court remains uncertain.

With or without Katenda, Notre Dame’s starting five is yet to be determined. Senior guard Scott Martin and forward Tim Abromaitis will likely return to their starting spots, and will most likely be joined by sophomore guard Eric Atkins and junior forward Jack Cooley. Atkins and Cooley were the first two players off Brey’s bench throughout last season.

The fifth piece of the puzzle will come down to a competition between junior guard Joey Brooks and sophomore guards Alex Dragicevich and Jerian Grant. Neither of the sophomores saw playing time last season.

Another unknown is Notre Dame’s complete schedule, although some games are set.

The Irish will face Big East opponents Connecticut, Rutgers and West Virginia twice apiece and play a game at Gonzaga. The team will also appear in the CBE Classic, where Notre Dame will host Detroit and Sam Houston State at home and face Missouri and either Cal or Georgia in Kansas City.

The full schedule will be released later this fall.

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Halfpenny settles in as new Irish head coach

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS Sports Writer

New Irish coach Christine Halfpenny shifted gears as soon as she learned she had earned the Notre Dame job. One of the top recruiters of a high school camp, Halfpenny quickly put in for an interview for William & Mary and start-
ed pitching Notre Dame.

“ar was excited. But I knew I had to go to work for the University of Notre Dame.”

Halfpenny left William & Mary to replace longtime Irish coach Tracy Coyne, who led the women’s lacrosse squad for the first 15 years of the program. Coyne led the Irish to a Final Four berth in 2006 and a Big East championship in 2009 on her way to 147 wins with Notre Dame.

“Coyne left big shoes to fill,” Halfpenny said. “She did an outstanding job putting them on the map. She had a big task as an assistant coach and Tech alumna also worked as a recruiting coordinator at Duke, where she reeled in many of the current Irish players and likens her new job to a reunion of sorts. She believes her personnel will fit nicely into her sys-
tem and describes them as strong, fast, energetic and proud.

“I realized the importance of structure, commitment and dedication. I learned how to maximize effort and efficiency.”

Christine Halfpenny Irish coach

Chris is the right person at the right time to lead out pro-
gram.” Deputy Director of Athletics Bill Scholl said at the press conference introducing Halfpenny.

Elite facilities like the Loftus Center and Arlotta Stadium coupled with stellar recruiting resources have Halfpenny thinking big.

“We want to win a Big East championship, make a Final Four and ultimately, win a national championship,” she said.

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By JOSEPH MONARDO Sports Writer

In what was supposed to be a grand finale to a trail-blazing regular season, the premature ending was all too familiar for the Irish coaches and players.

Following a first round vic-
tory over unseeded Penn (6-7, 4-2 Ivy League), No. 4 Notre Dame (11-3, 5-1 Big East) was ousted from the NCAA tournament by No. 5 Duke (14-6, 3-0 ACC) for the second consecutive year, this time in the quarterfinals by the score of 7-5.

“It was almost an anecdote to the championship game last year (which Notre Dame lost 6-5 in overtime),” Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. “We outplayed them for a significant part of the game but didn’t cash in on oppor-
tunities. It was kind of a strange way to, for the sec-
ond year in a row, begin the season with a win against Duke and end the season with a loss (against Duke).”

No. 6 in the preseason

Irish senior attackman Nicholas Beattie goes for a pass during No. 4 Notre Dame’s 21-7 win over No. 5 Drexel March 3.

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Irish fall after historic season

season (including a 12-7 defeat of Duke in week one) en route to securing the first No. 1 ranking in program history April 18. However, after only two weeks atop the polls, Notre Dame fell to Syracuse (15-2, 6-0 Big East) and North Carolina (10-6, 1-2 ACC) in consecutive weeks to end the regular season. Although they seemed to have limped into the post-
season, the Irish renewed their momentum with an opening round 13-6 victory over Penn.

“It was probably our best game we had played all year,” Junior attack Sean Rogers said of the game against Penn. “Coming off of two losses… we really had to step it up, and we did.”

The Irish jumped out to an early 4-0 lead against the Quakers, and outscored their opponent 5-1 in the second half. Senior attack Colin Igoe added one assist to his three goals as he recorded a career high four points.

Unfortunately for the Irish, they were not able to repli-
cate their goal-scoring per-
formance from the first round game in the round of eight. The Irish were, how-
ever, very much in the game until the final quarter, when Duke pulled the goal to run away with the contest. Notre Dame’s inability to convert scoring opportuni-
ties into goals, a deficiency which plagued the team all year, caught up to the Irish once again.

“Our problem this year against Duke was our shoot-
ing accuracy, and we didn’t make most of our shots and couldn’t put [the ball] in the back of the net,” sophomore goalie John Kemp said.

The Irish outshot Duke 34-28, won 11 of the 16 faceoff
attempts, scooped up nine more ground balls and com-
mitted three fewer turnovers than the Blue Devils. Despite the lingering disappointment from their second round loss, Notre Dame’s successful regular season served to establish the program as one of the nation’s elite.

“All in all, it was a good year, but this team had aspira-
tions to win a national championship,” Corrigan said. “We spent three or four weeks at No. 1. We were the last team to be undefeated. We played as a top team all year, and I think that was very satisfying in a sense because we felt like we belonged, but [we] didn’t finish the year with a ring like we all hoped.”

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ND Women’s Golf
Young team strives to replicate last season

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Coming off a season that included a Big East championship and a 25th ranking and their first NCAA Championship berth, the challenge for the Irish will not be to replicate past success and turn their program into a national powerhouse.

With the loss of Katie Conway and So-Hyun Park to graduation and sophomore Nicole Zhang leaving the team, Notre Dame returns this year as a much younger team. The expectations, though, are just as high.

“We’ve got some very talented players to fill the spots we had vacated,” Irish coach Susan Holt said. “We feel good about getting back to those championships.”

Those spots will be filled by another strong recruiting class assembled by Holt, which features freshmen Ashley Armstrong and Kelli Oride. Armstrong has already won over 20 events in her short career, and Oride is ranked as a top-20 recruit. Together, Holt believes they will be a huge factor for the Irish in the upcoming season.

“These freshmen are already experienced, talented players,” Holt said. “They will have to get up to speed with what we do here, but we’re expecting them to have a big impact immediately.”

The task of helping the freshmen adjust will fall on the shoulders of Notre Dame’s three upperclassmen: sophomore Kristina Nhim and seniors Katie Allare and Becca Huffer. After the departure of team leaders Conway and Park, Huffer will have to pick up where they left off, both on the course and in the locker room.

“Katie and So-Hyun meant a lot to this program,” Holt said. “[Huffer] is our top returning player and she’s had a really solid three years for us already. She’s going to be in a leadership role for us, and she will be able to help out the freshmen.”

With a cohesive team of five talented golfers, Notre Dame will look for its first repeat as Big East champion since 2004. Lurking as always, though, will be Louisville. The Irish and Cardinals are two of the nine Big East championships since the tournament began in 2003.

Though the team will not formally practice together until Wednesday, its individual members have hardly been complacent during the summer. All healthy Irish golfers, including three incoming freshmen, have played in junior tournaments since the end of the spring season. Senior Max Scodro will compete in the U.S. Amateur Championship Monday. Scodro shined toward the end of the spring and is set to lead the Irish this fall along with classmate Tom Usher, once Usher recovers from a hand injury.

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New Irish Irish boast tough schedule

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

The Irish will certainly have their toughest schedule in recent memory, Kubinski said.

“Stanford, Texas, Augusta State — the defending national champions — they’re all on our schedule,” he said. “If we get through the fall season fine, it will put us in a fantastic position for NCAAs in the spring.”

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Though the loss of Connor Alan-Lee, Dustin Zhang and Justin Chen will be impactful, the Irish have a glut of talented and experienced golfers to choose from, with Scodro and Usher, fellow senior Chris Walker, junior Paul McNamara and sophomore Niall Platt all returning.

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“Last year those guys proved to themselves that they could compete. Now they are looking to take it up a level,” he said.

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“The freshmen are going to have to earn their roles, just like every other player,” Jackson said. “But I have high expectations for [players] like Robbie Russo and [right wing] Peter Schneider being able to contribute right away.”

The buzz of where the Irish will play may actually surpass all this buzz about the possibilities once on the ice. After 33 years in the Joyce Center, the brand new Compton Family Ice Arena is scheduled to open for Irish hockey in late October or early November.

“It’s certainly a long time coming,” Jackson said. “I know our players and entire staff are extremely excited about moving into the new building.

“We have to stay focused and make sure we respect our present facility while we’re waiting to move into the new building. But I think that our fans, our students and the university as a whole will be very proud of this building and the impact it will have on our hockey program and the campus community.”

“We made sure our students are going to have the best seats in the house and hopefully come out in droves [and] the hockey will hopefully be extremely exciting.”

The Irish play their first exhibition game Oct. 2 against Western Ontario and open their regular season with a trip to defending NCAA champion Minnesota-Duluth Oct. 7-8. UMD ended Notre Dame’s postseason run in April.

The Irish home-opener takes place Oct. 14 against Ohio State in the Joyce Center.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish poised to rebound, fight for Big East crown

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

After a 2010 season in which she saw her team go 18-13 and fall to Cincinnati in the Big East semifinals, Irish coach Debbie Brown has high expectations for improvement in the 2011 campaign. With a strong core of experienced players returning and a versatile group of newcomers, the Irish look poised to improve on the results of a year ago.

“Our goal, as it is every year, is to win the Big East tournament,” Brown said. “We have a tradition and expectation of qualifying for the NCAA and advancing far. This team certainly has that capability.”

Brown praised the work of the team through their first three days of practice, citing the cohesion she saw immediately upon the team returning.

“We’re ahead of schedule at this point and feeling good,” Brown said.

The Irish return four of their top five offensive players from 2010, including kills and points leader sophomore Andrea McHugh. McHugh represented the United States this summer at the FIVB Junior World Championships in Lima, Peru. Though the United States fell to China in the bronze medal game, the experience helped the Irish prepare for the fall.

It is not star power, however, that Brown sees as her team’s greatest strength.

“I’m quite excited about this team’s versatility,” Brown said. “Most of our players are able to move all over the court, left and right, forward and back, especially the newcomers. I’m really pleased with the depth of this squad.”

The Irish will need that depth in order to compete in a tough Big East slate that includes perennial powerhouses Louisville, Cincinnati, Marquette and Villanova.

“The whole conference is strong, but these four finished on top last year, and I see them as our stiffest competition,” Brown said.

In addition, Robin Davis, who led the Irish in 2005 and has served as an assistant coach since 2009, was named associate head coach to assist Brown. Upon his arrival in 2005 Davis helped lead the Irish to five consecutive Big East titles.

“The Irish will begin play at home against Eastern Michigan on Friday.

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confident that that’s what they’ll be able to do.”
Perhaps they could do even more. Irish coach Brian Kelly’s first recruiting class of his Notre Dame tenure included 12 defensive players signing on National Signing Day. Of those 12, five received four-star rankings from multiple recruiting experts, including defensive ends Stephon Tuitt, Aaron Lynch and Ishaq Williams, who has been moved to outside linebacker to join classmates Anthony Rabasa and Ben Councell.

“Defensively at the linebacker and defensive line position, we feel like we’ve got enough depth there that we can roll out the next guy,” Kelly said Tuesday. “We had to come in immediately and address the defense. That was easy, we knew where we had to go immediately, and that was on the defensive side of the ball.”

But with those talented freshmen, come the usual worries with freshmen.

“The next-man-in on the defensive line is very developmental, as it fits into our structure,” defensive coordinator Bob Diaco said. “There is some tangible skill there, but they have so far to go as it relates to being in a game. There’s a lot of players that the whirlwind of a gameday weekend impacts very differently.”

Fortunately, the heralded freshmen can rely on a veteran defense to show them the ropes. The Irish return nine starters, only losing outside linebacker Brian Smith and defensive tackle Ian Williams — currently signed by the Cleveland Browns and the San Francisco 49ers, respectively. Sophomore linebacker Prince Shembo will likely split time with junior Dan Fox to fill Smith’s minutes, and senior Sean Cwynar will share time with 326-pound sophomore Louis Nix in the middle of the line.

Cwynar saw extensive playing time last season when Williams went down with a knee injury, giving him the experience of a 10th starter, if not the title.

“This team has been through a complete season now,” Crist said. “We’ve seen the ups and downs of a season … It’s really that same core coming back, and it’s exciting to have guys out and see how hard guys are working every day is a positive.”

The leader of the defense, junior linebacker Manti Te’o, threw around phrases Tuesday like “the best in the nation” and “BCS bowl,” but his confidence is not simply due to 133 tackles last season. It is a common team theme.

“No team goes into the season thinking, ‘Oh, we’re going to win eight games,’” junior offensive tackle Zach Martin said. “But I think this year everyone believes that we can go out and win every game that we play. People are buying in, and I think we’re on the right track.”

Kelly and his staff have parlayed the rising stature of their defense into a challenge for its offense as well. Each day in practice, senior cornerback Gary Gray lines up opposite Floyd. Te’o stares down Crist and Rees. The offense has its work cut out.

“As strong as our defense is, there is a lot of times that I think [the offense is] doing exceptionally well against them, moving the ball,” Robinson said. “I think that’s kind of a confidence boost because we know how good our defense is. For us to be able to execute against them and show that we can do well against us really bodes well for us.”

Yet, the defense’s job remains the same. No matter what success the last four games of the 2010 season held, no matter what praise the media is throwing about, no matter how glowing Kelly’s praise is, the job remains simple.

“We just need to go out there and do our job,” Gray said. “Just handle our business.”

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Irish senior defensive end Kapron Lewis-Moore speaks Tuesday during media day. Lewis-Moore recorded 62 tackles last season.
are quite familiar with each other. Defender Jessica Schuvelier, midfielder Courtney Barg and forward Melissa Henderson have played on the same team since their youth soccer days in Dallas.

“They’ve been leading for a long time, by their play and by the examples they leave for the team on and off the field,” Waldrum said. “All three have those kind of qualities, and we want them to continue to do that.”

Henderson, however, does not expect her role to significantly change from previous years.

“I don’t really see too much of a difference,” she said. “I see all 25 of us as leaders and don’t really see myself or Jessica or Courtney as separating ourselves from the team.”

Notre Dame’s late-season championship run was keyed in large part by a youth influx led by forward Adriana Leon, midfielders Mandy Laddish and Elizabeth Tucker and defender Kecia Morway, all now sophomores. Waldrum expects those playmakers to continue to have an impact on the field.

“Those kids were key in us winning. From what I see of them right now, I don’t think they’ve skipped a beat,” he said. “I don’t really see in them any kind of a sophomore slump.”

Waldrum also expects his newest crop of recruits to begin immediately contributing to the team. Touted by Waldrum as his best class ever, the freshmen have already showed signs of living up to his expectations. In fact, four freshmen were in the starting lineup during Notre Dame’s 5-0 exhibition victory over Nebraska Aug. 9.

“All the freshmen I have been impressed by, absolutely,” Waldrum said. “They’ve stepped right in from the beginning and they’ve played just like veteran players. I’m really pleased. They’re all physically ready to do it. They came in fit and just jumped right into the mix. They’re going to have a big impact on our team, no doubt about it.”

While most of the starting lineup is set, one question mark remains heading into the season. The Irish lost stalwart goalkeeper Nikki Weiss to graduation and are currently deciding on a new starting goalkeeper. Junior Maddie Fox and freshmen Jennifer Jasper and Sarah Voigt are all competing for starting time between the posts, and Waldrum has not decided on a long-term starter.

“It’s hard to replace (Weiss) because she had some experience under her belt and had played in a number of big games, and Maddie’s really not done that yet,” Waldrum said. “I think that’s going to be key, how she responds to it. I do think Sarah is going to push her quite a bit and of course we’ve got Jen Jasper in there pushing as well.

“I’m not sure ultimately who’s going to take the reins … That’s the one question mark that I’ve probably got a little bit unanswered right now.”
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**HOCKEY**

Squad to rely on senior class for deeper postseason run

By SAM GANS
Sports Writer

After the program’s second trip to the Frozen Four capped last season, the Irish return with high expectations.

Three of the top four point scorers from last year’s Irish squad, sophomore centers T.J. Tynan and Anders Lee and senior right wing Billy Maday, return. The GCHA top defensive defenseman award winner in 2010-2011 — senior Sean Lorenz — is also back, along with junior goaltender Mike Johnson.

A class of five seniors is expected to lead the way, led by Maday and Lorenz. They are the only seniors who played in more than eight games last season. Despite the lack of quantity, Irish coach Jeff Jackson sees Maday and Lorenz as capable leaders. "I would expect both of them to be important in a leadership role," Jackson said. "They’ve been around. They’ve seen the situation we had a couple of years ago (13-17-8 in 2009-2010) and how we responded and had good leadership last year. So they’ve seen the difference." Jackson is also looking for increased leadership from a large sophomore class. Tynan, a third round draft pick by the Columbus Blue Jackets in June, led all NCAA freshmen with 54 points last season. Lee finished second on the Notre Dame roster with 44 points.

"Obviously, for freshmen (last year), they had a real good season," Jackson said. "I expect some of those guys to elevate their games — guys like [right wing] Mike Voran, [right wing] Bryan Rust, [defensive] Shayne Taker, [defensive] Kevin Lind and [goalie] Steven Summerhays. I think that a lot of (handling expectations) is about making sure they stayed focused on being in the moment and getting better every day, because (if) they put personal pressure on themselves, that’s when sophomore jinxes fall into place.”

While this year’s freshman class does not have as many players as last year’s class, Jackson is hoping for another big year from his first-year contributors. Led by defensemen Robbie Russo, a fourth round New York Islanders draft pick, the five members who will each have the opportunity to earn playing time.

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**FOOTBALL**

Defensive swagger

Irish defense building toughness and depth

By DOUGLAS FARMER
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Over the past eight months, the talk surrounding Notre Dame football has revolved around the offense. Meanwhile, the talk within Notre Dame football has focused on the Irish defense.

While senior receiver Michael Floyd served his suspension and sophomore Tommy Rees battled senior Dane Crist for the starting quarterback position, the defense has built on its strong finish to last season, when it stifled opponents such as Utah and USC.

"They were able to play some very good teams and not just beat them, but dominate them," Irish senior offensive guard Trevor Robinson said Tuesday at the annual Media Day. "I am

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**ND WOMEN’S SOCCER**

Irish trio looks for title repeat

By ALLAN JOSEPH
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For most schools, the follow-up act to a national championship involves heightened pressure and newly raised expectations. For No. 1 Notre Dame, however, 2011 will just be more of the same.

“It’s probably no different than every other past year,” Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. “If we can get to the College Cup, it’s just two games — anything can happen. So the goal is always to get there.”

Notre Dame returns the majority of its starting lineup from last year, led by a trio of senior captains who

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**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

McGraw eyes trip to title game

By ANDREW OWENS
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Following a magical run in the 2011 NCAA tournament, a Hall of Fame induction for Irish coach Muffet McGraw in the summer with junior guard Skylar Diggins leading the way, Notre Dame faces some of the highest expectations it has ever seen in McGraw’s 25 years at the helm.

The 2010-11 season ended with a 76-70 loss to Texas A&M in the championship game after it upset No. 1 seeds Tennessee and Connecticut, a squad that had defeated the Irish three times before the Final Four matchup in Indianapolis.

“We didn’t win so I think we came away with a feeling of disappointment that we see...”

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**MEN’S SOCCER**

High expectations await new additions

By MOLLY SAMMON
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A No. 12 preseason ranking has Notre Dame looking past the NCAA tournament’s second round, where last season ended.

“I think this is a very driven team, they know that we made the NCAA tournament, and we really felt that when it came down to it, we ended with some unfinished business,” Irish coach Bobby Clark said. “We’d like to make history for the program, and we’ll see where it takes us. They are a driven group that works exceptionally hard, and hopefully that’ll bear some fruit as the season unfolds.”

Five freshmen join the Irish and their three captains, junior midfielder Dídi Díaz-Powers, fifth-year senior defender and midfielder Greg Kluimizer and senior defender Aaron Maund, this year.

“The freshman class has impressed me so far,” Powers said. “I think in particular, their attitude and work ethic has let them learn have impressed me. Soccer is quite a thinking game, maybe they don’t have the technical skills yet, but their minds are there it’s at.”

The Irish also welcome a collegiate-seasoned player onto the team, junior forward and transfer from Duke, Ryan Finley, though he will have to spend this...