Panel addresses euro crisis

Candidates compete in city’s mayoral race

Poetry tour showcases current Latino talent

By NICOLE TOCZAUER

A national Latino poetry tour affiliated with Notre Dame launched at Harvard University today.

The Poetry Society of America (PSA) and Letras Latinas, a subdivision of the literary program at Notre Dame’s Institute for Latino Studies (ILS), created the tour, called “Latino/a Poetry Now.”

The tour will showcase 15 poets in a span of two-and-a-half years at universities across America. It will conclude at Notre Dame in October 2013.

Director Francisco Aragón of Letras Latinas facilitated the opening installment of “Latino/a Poetry Now” at Harvard University.

Laure Vázquez, first-year MFA graduate student and Aragón’s assistant, said the poets hoped to debut a new wave of Latino poetry through the national readings.

“All of these poets, or the majority, are kind of like a newer generation that is coming into maturity,” he said. “What ‘Latino Poetry Now’ seeks to do is enhance the visibility of Latino poetry and these newer voices.”

Vázquez said that, while the term “Latino” implied a homogenous focus in the showcase, each poet produced different styles of work.

“In reality Latinos are very diverse,” he said. “They have varying aesthetics, influences and cultural backgrounds. The topics are tremendously diverse.”

Different poets will speak at each segment of the series, Vázquez said. The first installment featured Rosa Alcalá, Eduardo C. Corral and Araceli Girmay. Corral recently won a national poetry award.

By MEGAN DOYLE

News Editor

Three candidates are on the ballot for the mayor’s race in South Bend today but, a Notre Dame journalism professor said the city will continue to see a Democrat in office after the election.

Professor Jack Colwell, who was also a longtime political journalist, said Democrat Pete Buttigieg, a 38-year-old businessman, has long been the front runner in today’s race. Republican Wayne Curry and Libertarian Patrick Farrell will also appear on the ballot.

“Pete Buttigieg will almost certainly be the new mayor,” Colwell said. “There hasn’t been much doubt about that since the primary when he won really big, and South Bend tends to be a Democratic town anyway.”

Buttigieg covered politics for the South Bend Tribune for more than 38 years and still writes a political column for the paper. He said Buttigieg’s place as an early favorite is consistent with mayoral elections in the city’s history.

“The last time a Republican won it was 1967, so it was a long time ago,” Colwell said. “Buttigieg actually got a lot of cross-over Republicans voting for him in the past. And so he’s not only a favorite for Democrats but for Republicans, too.”

The major issue on South Bend residents’ minds has been economic development, Colwell said.

“The debate has mostly been about how would be the most competent to help with economic development and bring jobs to the community and turn around the image of the city,” Colwell said. “Newweek Magazine rated South Bend as a dying city, and the new mayor will certainly want to erase any image like that. That’s been the main thing; they have been talking about the image of the city and how to get the economy moving again in the city.”

Colwell predicted cooperation between the City of South Bend and the University would only grow as the new mayor is inaugurated.

The University is the area’s largest employer and projects need to be done with Notre Dame, such as Eddy Street Commons and construction on campus, bring jobs to the area, he said.

“Notre Dame is a very important part of the economy, and if the city is looking to bring more jobs to the area, I think it’s got to be working with Notre Dame because years ago this was known as a factory town,” Colwell said. “Studebaker was produced here.”

Though the four scholars in Monday’s “Crisis of the Euro” panel discussion have differing disciplines, all agreed on one thing: the eurozone is in serious trouble.

“Europe has often been the site of hope and good things, but has also been the site of bad and troubling things,” sociology professor Robert Fishman said.

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News Writer

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In Brief

Carey Troy, assistant professor of civil engineering at Purdue University, will present the next installment of the Environmental Fluid Dynamics Seminar Series, titled "A Year of Internal Poincare Waves in Lake Michigan." The seminar will take place today in Room 258 in the Fitzpatrick Hall of Engineering from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Dennis Boyle, partner in the international consulting firm IDEO, will present the next lecture in the Entrepreneurial Insights Lecture Series, titled "Entrepreneurship and Design Thinking." The lecture will take place today in Jordan Auditorium in the Mendoza College of Business from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Join MCHA, a Student Government Council for an open conversation with administrators from the Office of Student Affairs and CampusMinistry on multiculturalism and race relations in residence halls. The discussion will take place on Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Room B34 and Room B36 in Goddard Hall.

Nathaniel Perry, winner of the 2011 American Poetry Review and the Honickman First Book Prize, will read from his collection "Nine Acres" on Wednesday at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. The reading will begin at 9:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

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Campus Life Council

Group defines priorities, creates subcommittees

By EMILY SCHRANK

News Writer

The Campus Life Council (CLC) identified student safety, student activities and expanding inclusion as its top priorities for the remainder of the academic year during Monday’s meeting.

Members divided into three subcommittees based on these priorities.

Chief of staff Claire Sokas said the safety of students living both on and off campus remains an important issue.

“There needs to be a discussion of how we make students more aware of the responsibilities that come with living off campus,” she said. “We also need to work on some changes to make our campus more safe.”

Rectors said they would like to see a decrease in student apathy when it comes to student activities.

O’Neill rector Ed Mack said he has noticed a large decrease in the number of his residents attending pep rallies during his 10 years as rector.

“This is not too soon to start talking about next year,” he said. “If you want students to show up [to pep rallies], you have to do things that are student-friendly.”

Merrissey rector Fr. Ronald Vieling said he would like to look at the possibility of streamlining the processes that are required by the Student Activities Office (SAO) when planning events.

“Our residents have great ideas for events and it is often difficult to implement them, so they get discouraged and say, ‘Forget it,’” he said. “We want to inspire and unleash their creativity.”

Vieilng said he believes that students don’t completely understand all of the things they have to do in order to make an event happen.

“Even as a rector, I don’t understand the process myself,” he said. Student body president Pat McCormick also announced the Faculty Senate, which typically elects two members to serve as representatives on CLC, has waived their participation this year.

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The Notre Dame Mock Trial team sent teams to the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) for an invitational competition against 18 others.

The team, which is broken down into four smaller groups for competition purposes, sent its top two teams to UCLA for an invitational competition against 18 others.

“There needs to be a discussion of how we make students more aware of the responsibilities that come with living off campus,” she said. “We did okay for our first competition of this year, but it’s pretty stiff competition,” she said. “We want to inspire and unleash their creativity.”

The California schools tend to be some of the best schools in the country and the competition was very strong there,” she said. “I think we were all hoping to do very well but everyone was impressed by the teams we were also able to compete against.

Despite the high level of competition, Payne said the tone at the invitations is more casual than that of competitions in the spring.

“When you get to the competitions that start counting, I think some of the rounds we get pretty tense,” he said. “Obviously it’s part of the activity because it’s like you’re putting on a court case.”

Payne said Notre Dame’s relationship with other teams varies.

“Sometimes you may have some rivalry with and other teams you have a very friendly with,” he said. “Regardless I’d say the atmosphere can get pretty tense.”

For some of the team members, like Dugas, mock trial serves as a preparation for future careers in law.

“I did mock trial in high school and then I joined the team freshman year thinking I might want to go into law,” she said. “Since then, I’ve continued with the organization and my education and I’ve realized it’s something I want to do.”

However, Payne said many others participate in mock trial for reasons other than preparation for law school.

“It’s really valuable in terms of practicing public speaking and making an argument,” he said. “Some people in the program certainly don’t plan on going to law school, they just enjoy it.”

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the Yale Younger Poets Award and Girman received the Isabella Gardner Poetry Award.

Following installations held at Georgetown University, Ma
clester College and the University of Arizona, the showcase will conclude at Notre Dame in 2013.

“When it comes to it, it will be a two-day event with a reading and discussion,” Vazquez said. “It will be collaboration between the Creative Writing program at Notre Dame and undergraduates who will have the opportunity to listen to these poets and ask questions.”

Vazquez said Aragón hoped to create a dialogue between the poets and their audience. Aragón will guide the conversations at each installation over the next two and a half years as a representative of the ILS and the University.

“Aragón also worked with the PSA to generate online dis-
cussion,” Vazquez said. “We’re not just trying to bring audi-
ences to the poets. We want them to take on a life of their own.”

The poets hope to reach sev-
eral audiences through the showcase, Vazquez said.

“I think it’s important that the general public is not only for people in higher education,” he said. “It’s especially this new poetry, is meant to be visible to any-
body.”

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News Writer

In an attempt to make the college application and selection process easier, Saint Mary’s welcomed 42 prospective students in 1996 to 2008, and roughly 1 million for foreign students are granted visas for up to one academic year, and that it has temporarily stopped accepting any new “sponsors” — companies that help students arrange for visas and find jobs and housing in return for a fee. Most of the abuses have been blamed on unregulated, third-party labor brokers who work with the students, but critics say the sponsors have done little to protect them.

In the meantime, the State Department said, it is taking a closer look at the program’s regulations.

While the fixed exchange rate of the euro has had some short-term success, Guisinger said that Europeans would continue to pay for this fixed exchange rate in the long run. Finance professor Jeffrey Bergstrand said the eurozone is a centaur, like the half-man, half-horse creature from Greek mythology. "I draw that analogy because, we’re in a Greek crisis and I feel very much that is to think as the eurozone as a centaur," he said.

He went on to quote from an Economist article and said the eurozone is a hybrid, a single currency with 17 different national fiscal and economic policies.

"The formal construct of the eurozone is the economic and monetary union," he said. "One thing to keep in mind is there is no mention of the word fiscal."

He said one of the largest problems facing the eurozone is fiscal policy. One of the requirements to belong to the eurozone is that a country’s annual budget deficits cannot be more than three percent of the gross domestic product. However, the average deficit is currently four percent.

State Dept. stalls foreign student job program

JACKSON, Miss. — The State Department put a freeze Monday on expansion of a program that lines up summer jobs in the U.S. for foreign college students, citing persistent complaints about young people getting ripped off and exploited.

At issue is the J-1 visa program, which began in 1960 as a way to encourage cultural understanding by allowing young adults from other countries to spend their summers living, working and traveling in the U.S. Nearly a year ago, The Associated Press reported numerous abuses, including cases in which students were put up in shabby, crowded apartments and forced to work grueling hours at back-breaking jobs for $1 an hour or less. Some ended up going to homeless shelters for food or a place to sleep. At least one woman told the AP she was beaten and forced to work as a stripper in Detroit in 2005.

The State Department, which oversees the program, said Monday that is limiting the number of future participants to this year’s level, or about 103,000 students, and that it has temporarily stopped accepting any new “sponsors” — companies that help students arrange for visas and find jobs and housing in return for a fee. Most of the abuses have been blamed on unregulated, third-party labor brokers who work with the students, but critics say the sponsors have done little to protect them.

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Under the program, foreign students are granted visas for up to four months and often land jobs at hotels, resorts and restaurants. Participation has boomed from about 20,000 students in 1996 to a peak of more than 150,000 in 2008, and roughly 1 million foreign students have taken part in the past decade.
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here, and there are some people who still seem to think Studebaker is going to come back some day, but it’s not. So it’s going to have to be small businesses, green businesses, businesses dealing with the computer age that will provide those jobs.

Colwell said students should take an interest in the city’s economy, even if they do not plan to stay in the immediate area after graduation.

“If they take an interest in some of the economic development efforts or some new firm coming in, maybe they could, if they are looking for a job, end up in one [through those connections],” Colwell said.

If elected, Colwell said Buttigieg would be able to work well with administration and students from Notre Dame.

“He’s 29 years old, so he’s not that far away from college students that he doesn’t understand college students and their lifestyle,” he said.

“So I would think he would have a very good relationship between the new mayor and Notre Dame.”

Buttigieg grew up in the South Bend area, and he is the son of professor Joseph Buttigieg in the University’s English department.

A young mayor with favorable attitudes toward Notre Dame is a greater opportunity for cooperation between South Bend and the University, Colwell said.

“I think [students] are taking a little more interest in things and trying to communicate with the city officials and trying to form committees to do that, and I think that’s good because they can make clear they aren’t just saying, ‘We want to be able to do whatever we want to do and throw parties,’” he said.

“It shouldn’t be an adversarial relationship, but one of cooperation.”

The 2011 race is the first since 1997 without current mayor Steve Leucke, a Democrat, on the ballot. Colwell said the Republican camp traditionally does not present a strong challenge in the race.

“It’s quite similar to past elections because the Republicans, with a few exceptions, have not really put up a strong contender, and some of the races have really been laughers with the Democrat sure to win and the Republican not really putting up a fight at all,” Colwell said.

“This time, the Republicans have put up a little bit more of a fight.”

The tone of debate, however, has been largely positive despite Buttigieg’s place as the easy favorite, Colwell said.

“It’s not been a divisive or nasty race at all,” Colwell said.

The young candidate’s success should be an example for students looking at careers in politics, he said.

“I think there’s tremendous potential for young candidates or young people to get involved in politics,” Colwell said.

“In a lot of elections the turnout is pretty poor and they have trouble getting people to work at the polls and on the campaigns, so some bright young people who are willing to do that can step right in and have great positions. Get a good start and go on to whatever they want, whether it’s mayor or Congress or whatever.”

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South Bend mayoral candidate Pete Buttigieg talks with residents at the South Bend Chocolate Cafe in April. Professor Jack Colwell predicts Buttigieg will win the mayoral race.

THE ART OF CONNECTING WITH YOUR PATIENTS:
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"The Bro Code"

One of the goals of this column is to help create an environment where authentic, healthy relationships can flourish. As we continue on this journey, it is necessary for us to examine the unique forces that influence, pre-scribe and direct our thoughts and actions, both overtly and covertly.

One such force is the Bro Code. It is a real presence in our campus culture and often pre-determines many of our social interactions. The Bro Code is a powerful, determinate in the quality of our relationships and has the potential to damage both the keepers of the Code and those left reeling in its aftermath. Recently, I asked our Student Senate if they were familiar with the Bro Code. As expected, 98 percent of the men and only a small percentage of the women were familiar with the term. For a detailed description of the Bro Code with research to back it up, check out the book “Guyland: The Perilous World Where Boys Become Men” by Michael Kimmel. It is an excellent read.

The Bro Code is founded on three cultural mandates: Entitlement, Silence and Protection. Entitlement is rooted in the ideas of male superiority; men are in control at all times and in all situations and always exhibit the perfect example of perfect manhood. It is also gives men the right to retain those things given up to society. The Bro Code is a power -ful determination in the quality of our interactions. The Bro Code is a real presence in our campus culture and often pre-determines many of our social interactions.

As men we have all heard these messages both explicitly and implicitly. And the list continues. As we continue on this journey, I hope we can all learn to read between the lines and start looking at the complexities of manhood. As we continue on this journey, I hope we can all learn to read between the lines and start looking at the complexities of manhood.

The Bro Code preempts that women want sex as much as men, and if not for them being “socialized” to say no, women would say yes to sex all the time. That being the case, it seems logical to use alcohol and/or date rape drugs to give them what they really want. To be fair, I must say that the Bro Code is not followed religiously by every guy on our campus. The Bro Code culture, however, is alive and well and I have witnessed it/is have many of you first hand. I have seen it most obviously in the way many of us support the Bro Code by the silence of our actions.

Kimmel states that guys do what they do in part because they believe they can get away with it, that other guys won’t say anything—and that the community basically will support them. Is this the new standard for Our Lady’s University?

My guess is that we could severely weaken the grip of the Bro Code in this community if we shake the foundation of silence when bad things are about to happen. To those who are already committed to this effort, your sacrifice and willingness to do the right thing is to be commended. Swimming against the current of culture is not for the faint of heart. But like geese who grow their feathers, fish who swim in schools and cyclists who create a draft for those behind them, the burden is lighter when we work together.

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Dancing in the moonlight

Has the redundancy of the weekend dorm party mode finally got to you? Do you want to be able to have an actual conversation with that interesting girl or guy without shouting? Want to make 11/11/11 special? Then gentlemen, the time has finally come to improve the ladies with your dancing prowess (and we’re not talking about swaying back and forth monotonously.)

The semi-annual Swing-Ballroom Formal, themed “Dancing in the Moonlight,” has finally arrived. It will be held this Friday, Nov. 11, in the Stepan Center from 9 p.m. — 1 a.m. Here, you will get the space to move anywhere about the dance floor to much more music blasting out of speakers. That’s right. The main upgrade from last year is the arrival of DJ Kevin Guy to the formal. He is the mainstay for the Notre Dame ballroom competitions, so he can play all the swing and ballroom music to our heart’s content.

Now some may question, “What if I’m not in either club?” Anybody is welcome to this event. It only costs one dollar if you are not a due-paying member, for due-paying members, it’s free. Also, this is a formal in attire. Try not to wear a date formal. I’ll be there stag for one, so any and all girls looking to b-a-ch, rumah, wallah, swing, foxtrot, etc, you know you’ll definitely have a lead for that. And for all you boyfriends, this is the way you get classless without breaking the bank. (For expenses you want that Tippecanoe Place, absolutely delicious.)

So girls, throw on that breath-taking dress, and guys, dust off your dress shirt and tie and come on out to the Swing-Ballroom Formal! Stepan Center, 9 p.m. — 1 a.m.

Junior Swing-er and Ballroom-er.

John Zielinski
Web Apprentice

Letters to the Editor

Bring back the rallies

Please, please, please bring back pep rallies to Notre Dame. Yes, there is still an event on Friday nights that goes by this name, but pep rallies have been gone from Notre Dame for years.

I remember my first pep rally at Notre Dame as a freshman in 2002. It was Ty’s first game. The turnout was brisk. The JACC was packed, standing-room-only. The energy was palpable. It was a great experience for the students and team, but even this memory pales in comparison to descriptions of the old, legendary pep rallies in the field house or Stepan that were players, band and students only.

What happens now on the Irish Green is a contrast, poor excuse for a rally of any sort. Any energy that is summoned drifts off quietly into the Michiana air. It’s almost always cold, you can barely hear what is being said and it’s never loud. It’s not the students’ fault for not coming, it’s the decision to put a pep rally that should be in the most exciting environment possible, in the least.

A pep rally should be designed to pump up the team and students. I really doubt you would have a single player tell you they get pumped for the games by the pep rallies. Ask any student or alum what the most exciting pep rally of the last five years has been, and every time the answer is the one in Stepan.

Why are the pep rallies held here? I hear that it drums up business for the Eddy Street Commons. I hear that it prevents anyone from being turned away. But what good is a pep rally that can accommodate everyone if it’s an energy-draining affair, rather than inspiring? I can say confidently that I would be happy to never be able to get a spot in a pep rally the rest of my alumnus life if I knew that the students, band and team were having a rowdy, raucous affair that brings them together and, heaven forbid, actually excites the team.

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Viewpoint

It’s that time of year to pick classes again. After worrying about your DART time and dreading the inevitable small talk with your academic advisor that will result when you pick up your pin number, you start browsing the class search site and planning out your sched- ule for next semester.

But what if the class is hard, will I have time for it? You only want the best college experience possible, after all. So you look up your computer and likely cruise on over to NDToday.com or some other site and hope to find semi-decent reviews on your favorite teachers. But they are so hard to find! What little reviews that are up there are dated or don’t provide very good information.

Then you wonder if the information on all those OTrs everyone filled out last year might be available somewhere, which they are (cif.nd.edu), but they kind of suck. Good reviews of professors and data modeling would make too much sense.

Notre Dame: There is a better way to find reviews on classes and professors. A few Notre Dame seniors have come up with ReviewND.com, and it is going to change how you pick classes and so much more.

Want to find out which professors will keep you on the edge of your seat, strike fear into your heart or fall you to sleep? Interested in finding out about the hottest bars and clubs around campus? Looking for the best local grub at quality restaurants close by? Want to make sure you are using a quality taxi company that won’t rip you off? Looking for advice about internships or where to travel for your next big spring break trip?

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"Goblet of Fire" was published when I was nine. Up until that point, I had been playing catch up with J.K. Rowling — I finished one book and then started tracking down the next, either by my name on the waiting list at my school’s library or pestering my mother to buy it for me. Book four, however, was the start of the waiting process that would stretch through my adolescence.

I finished “Prisoner of Azkaban” and then started the wait. “Goblet” hit shelves in the early days of July that preceded my turn through fourth grade, and I was more impatient for that book than the approaching days of school-less sun. I woke up just as it was getting light outside and waited some more — both for my mother to wake up and for the bookstore to open.

I remember that morning was sunny and breezy. We were there when the store opened, and I quickly found my treasure on the shelves. Harry Potter mania had not yet reached its peak in the pre-movie-franchise era, so there was no fancy storefront display. Just a beautifully illustrated cover nestled among the other books.

Mom would only buy one copy — for my brother and me to share. There was a little bit of tussling in the backseat on the way home as we fought over not only who got to read it first, but also who got to hold it and admire that swirling pastel cover.

Inspired by our painful wait, we had decided ahead of time to only read a chapter a day. The 37 chapters would put us 37 days closer to the release of the next book.

I can safely say that my time reading “Goblet” was the height of my love for reading. I took in every word with care and painstaking attention. When I finished my daily chapter, I would go back over the parts I liked or try to work through hints the book left over not only who got to read it first, but also who got to hold it and admire that swirling pastel cover.

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As he heads back to a summer with the Dursleys, Harry is scared for Harry, like Dumbledore, Hermione, Sirius, the Weasleys, and others readers alike. It was an unmitigated disaster. But I never thought. “He’s just 14, he can’t handle this.”

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As Fudge says, “I just can’t understand why people who caused so much damage the first time around that people in the present still wouldn’t speak his name, nor would Rowling’s characters. And others readers alike. I thought he just couldn’t be back. A wizard who was just famous for the horrors of his past, but famous for the horrors he would endure as a real person. A huge scale battle was about to erupt around someone immensely powerful and a teenager — someone close to my age.”

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By CARRIE TUREK
Scene Writer

Baby, it’s cold outside! With Hallowe’en in the rear-view and with Thanksgiving fast approaching, it is prime time to break out the Christmas tunes. With the Oct. 24 release of “A Very She & Him Christmas,” Ward’s rich low tones and Deschanel’s jazzy energy somehow manage to lend a tropical, on-the-beach feeling to otherwise wintry numbers. Deschanel inserts a playful and contagious curiosity into these Christmas classics, compelling listeners to reconsider and reflect upon already well-known lyrics.

Unlike She & Him’s previous two albums, Ward’s vocals are featured prominently on “A Very She & Him Christmas.” His voice is surprisingly smooth and a lovely accent to Deschanel’s endearing vocal quality. The harmonies produced in “Sleigh Ride” and its upbeat tempo, coupled with the guitar and slight reverberation, produce a classic Christmas song nestled nicely between now and yesteryear. She & Him’s “Baby It’s Cold Outside” is a strong fan following and more than familiar to many. It seems that FOX’s “New Girl” has brought this timeless tune back to mind for many.

With the Oct. 24 release of “A Very She & Him Christmas,” Zooey Deschanel and M. Ward are just in time with the fast-approaching holidays to break out the Christmas tunes. With Thanks-giving in the rear-view, and with Christmas mood, perfect for these almost-chilly November days, it is prime time to break out the Christmas tunes. Ward & Deschanel are sure to bring us the perfect cheer-evoking feeling and light harmonies. Adding to the appeal of “A Very She & Him Christmas” is the donation that She & Him will make to 826 National with the purchase of each album. 826 National is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing services in writing to underprivileged children ages 6-18.

What made this trio different from that of their others? Whether it’s because there is more room to stand and play instruments or is perhaps the fact that they are both married, the harmonies are sure to capture the hearts of mas lovers alike. Deschanel’s sweet voice and Ward’s strong, expressive vocal and instrumental support combine to produce a cheer-evoking feeling and an exciting Christmas mood, perfect for these almost-chilly November days.

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“Baby It’s Cold Outside,” “Sleigh Ride” and “I’ll Be Home for Christmas” by She & Him

Release Date: Oct. 24, 2011
Label: Merge Records
Key Tracks: “Baby It’s Cold Outside,” “Sleigh Ride” and “I’ll Be Home for Christmas”

By ANKUR CHAWLA
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One of the most touted restaurants in the Notre Dame area, J.W. Chen’s is hardly a well-kept secret. Nestled between Ari’s Grill and a Papa Johns, it is hardly a well-kept secret. Nestled between Ari’s Grill and a Papa Johns, it is

Admittedly, the first impressions when walking in were far from great. The décor, while ’90s classy, appropriately themed, and tasteful, was marred by a giant cardboard bubble tea cutout overlooking the register that seemed to epitomize the high-choke of the area and even less room to stand and wait. The seating to accommodate the high volume of guests is cramped, with only a part of Mon-ks of Folk, a group comprised of M. Ward, Conor Oberst and Mike Mogis (both of Bright Eyes), and Jim James (of My Morning Jacket). Like Zooey De- schanel, M. Ward’s presence in the in- dustry is wide-reaching and still growing.

Observant viewers may first noticed Deschanel’s vocal abilities when she sang “Baby It’s Cold Outside” in the modern Christmas classic, “Elf.” She is back — this time with singer/songwrit- er M. Ward — warming hearts with a new interpretation of the same song, and 11 others.

She & Him began as a “no strings at-tached” collaboration between Descha- nel and Ward. The two began working together in a simple attempt to produce Deschanel’s soulful and honest lyrics. The acclaim of their first album led to a strong fan following and more hopeful reviews.

Ward explained his collaboration with Deschanel on their website: “Zoo- ey would write and I would produce and arrange. It’s been the most natural extension of our interests and abili- ties.”

Their interests and abilities are sure- ly wide and wonderful. Ward’s bibliog- raphy for the overstated cold South Bend weather. Though we avoided appetiz- ers, our table was served an order of Almond Shrimp on the house, which is in fact vegetarian, spicy, and delicious. The shrimp with lobster sauce, despite having a distinctive egg flavor in it, was also quite good and the sauce was presented very well with the moun- tain of sticky rice served at each table. Even the Fu Na Chicken (chicken with spicy black bean sauce) was well worth it, as there was truly not a dish I tried that wasn’t thoroughly enjoyable.

Like I mentioned before, J.W. Chen’s is not unknown to most of the Notre Dame community. But, for those of you who have, like myself, overlooked it to instead order from Golden Dragon because of ease and convenience, I chal- lenge you to try J.W. and I’m sure you will not be disappointed. At the very least, you can admire the statue of a Postman’s table.

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**Men's Interhall**

"But life goes on," he said.

Twenty years ago yesterday, Lakers star guard Earvin “Magic” Johnson held one of the most shockingly press conferences in sports history, announcing his retirement while revealing he was infected with HIV, a socially-shunned illness at the time.

The comforting, illuminating smile that Magic Johnson had displayed for those previous decades vanished. He was replaced by a blank stare into the burde of confusing reporters.

His athletic prowess had been marred, his life changed — to life on November 7, 1991. The three-time Most Valuable Player, who had posted averages of 19.4 points per game and 12.5 assists per game in the year before was now an HIV patient. He was not a superhero anymore. He was even a basketball player anymore. He was a dead man walking now.

For people in the know, that day, it was a day they would remember exactly. What would it be like, and what was it like, Magic walking moments?

My dad was on his deathbed that day on a business trip, sitting up at a table in a convention. He was sure Magic was the most around the center was stunned. I'm not even sure I know where my dad was. It was just one of those moments.

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The Dawgs (3-2) were in a state with the Knights (4-1) until the fourth quarter, when senior running back Charles Harrison punched in a 1-yard touchdown run to put the Dawgs up 28-21. The Dawgs controlled time of possession the entire second half based off what they were giving up. With windy conditions, Alumni focused on running the ball for most of the game. Dansdall tailed 65 yards rushing for the Dawgs.

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Magic was so lovable that he had changed the culture entirely surrounding HIV. What was largely thought of as a “gay disease” was now mainstream. People thought to themselves, “If it happened to Magic, it can happen to anyone.”

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"It feels great to be on the road to victory again," Sorin junior wide receiver Ryan Stieren said. "We're happy, some hiccups in our offense and played a good game.

The Sorin defense maintained its compose all game, continually forcing the Carroll offensive line. A late tackle for loss in the fourth quarter resulted in a big Carroll loss, and a Robinson interception proved to be almost important to the team.

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Sorin's season came to an end, despite a herculean effort marked by sensitive intensity and heart.

On the Sorin drive that resulted in the winning field goal, Carroll had a goal line stand and forced the offense back nearly 30 yards before surrendering the field goal.

The defense also came away with two interceptions in the game, Andrews had Goliath on the ropes Sunday, but Goliath emerged victorious once Stanford took the lead.

"We all wanted to send our seniors," junior quarterback Andrew McDonough said. "We all wanted to send them out on a good note, on a championship and we failed in doing that."

For the Knights, it was a disappointing ending to the season, but said he had confidence in his team. "We started off in our special 'Leahy defense' and played out of our minds," Robinson said.

"Our defense really played well on the first drive, and then we were sloppy. We've got to play better.

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Tommy used to work on the docks while Bird was the stoic, private flier from French Lick.

They battled in the NCAA championship as Spartans and Sycamores. They battled in the NBA as Lakers and Celtics. They even battled on camera while ditching different Converse shoes (not surprisingly, Johnson's were a flashy white pair while Bird's were a plain black set).

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In convincing fashion, Couri defeated Kareh by unanimous decision.

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Tegan "Long Hair" Don't Care, a.k.a. "Super Smash" McKenna

Chapman, a junior, showed toughness by pulling out the decision after having difficulties in the first round. McKenna, a sophomore and a photo-

tographer for The Observer, started the match with an aggressive approach by staying close to Chapman. With the distance between the two shortened, McKenna capitalized by breaking through Chapman’s guard, giving her a 15-3 lead in the first round.

After the first round, Chapman’s changes in strategy led to victory. Keeping a stronger stance and using her legs to her advantage, Chapman took advantage of the counter against McKenna’s aggressiveness, keeping her lead steady for two sets.

Then, Chapman sealed the victory with a fantastic third set. In what was a close match, the in-match adjustments proved to be too much for Chapman, securing the unanimous decision.

Catherine "Dizzy" Gillespie
def. Kasia "The Polish Pun-
isher" Prouty

In an intense matchup, the junior Gillespie fought a strong all-around match. Prouty, a graduate student, traded shots with Gillespie, but struggled to match her power and consistency.

After the first round, Gillespie’s strong second set gave her the upper hand, forcing Prouty to look for an opening in the third set.

In the third round, Prouty showed some early promise, but Gillespie finished the match out with a strong, consistent display of power and control. The junior Gillespie won the match in an unanimous decision.

Sarah "I’m Not a Commu-
nist" McCarthy def. Edie
Graham "Cracker"

McCarthy’s constant pressure proved to be overwhelming, winning a match that ended early on referee’s decision. From the start of the first round, the sophomore McCarthy delivered one punch after another, dominated and took control.

On the last fight of the second round, McCarthy set the tone for the round by landing a series of powerful punches. McCarthy continued to land solid punches and forced the referee to cut off the round.

The third round was a continuation of McCarthy’s aggressive strategy from McCarthy, including two right hooks and the straight jab that forced the referee to call the match half way through the third round.

Karina “Matador” Lizi
def. Maria "La Peligrosa"
Lynch

The last fight of the night featured two strong and energetic matchups. Lizi came out of her corner swinging, looking for an early knockout. Lynch, in contrast, capitalized on her lack of experience.

In the second round, Lizi continued her aggressive style, but was forced to move her moving around the ring.

On the last round, Lynch tried to make a quick come-
back, but was met with a relentless assault from her

guard, she began to counter attack to negate Lizi’s ag-
dress. The two traded blows all the way to the bell.

In the end, Lizi’s strong two rounds gave her the unanimous decision.
The Belles dropped two meets over the weekend. They fell to Hope 173-98 Friday at the Rolfs Aquatic Center and at Division I Valparaiso 137-66 on Saturday.

Belles coach Mark Benishek said the team competed hard, but they were up against strong competition over the weekend.

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**Fights**

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**Katie Mayka “Girl Cry” def., Ashley “Big Girls Don’t Cry” Taylor**

Mayka started the fight by piling on hits to Taylor’s body and head throughout the first round, using her longer reach to help her to a unanimous decision.

**Sarah “It’s Miller Time” Welch def. Beth “The Shoulder Wolf” Wloszek**

The first round of this bout was essentially a standstill, with both fighters trading a series of jabs. Welch began the round as the more aggressive fighter, but Miller countered immediately with a left hook later in the round.

**Tori “I’ll Make You Pay” White def. Shannon “The Colloid” Hughes**

Lefty Tori White came out with strong uppercuts and took control of the first round in impressive fashion on her way to a unanimous victory.

**Julie “Outta My Mind” Saxer def. Megan “Don-a-tron” Doyle**

In this battle of juniors, Saxer was the aggressor, coming out aggressively and throwing some strong punches in the first round.


Skinner was able to land a few body shots. This pattern continued throughout the second round, forcing Saxon into the defensive position.

**Jenny “Moves Like Jagger” Welch def. Carli “Frank Lloyd Wright Hook” Fernandez**

Welch landed a powerful punch in the first round that came down to the wire, the sophomore Welch edged out her junior opponent.

**Jen “KO” Cee def. Liz “Big Guy” Giunco**

The early seconds of the round belonged to the sophomore Cee. She responded by pushing Garvin back into the ropes with her punches and body shots. Jen took control of the round midway through. In the third round, Cee continued to move forward and Garvin was on the offensive. Jen utilized the referree to stall the action.

**Anne “Fluffykins” Conover def. Colleen “Nine Lives” Mooney**

The first round began with both fighters throwing strong and landing punches early. The junior Conover ended the first round with a right hook that left the referee no choice but to start the minute of the round.

**Melinda “The Most Maligne” Macia def. Jenna “Won’t Spare Her” Sevova**

The third and final round was a tale of two fighters. Macia seemed to be in control of the fight, while Sevova fought hard but was unable to overcome the difference in skill.

**Dina “Is a Female Version of John” Macia def. Diana “I Choose You” Yu**

The fighters both came out energetically but Montemarano gained control of the fight the first round and never looked back.

**Carleigh “The Homing Pigeon” Moore def. Jose “The Riveter” Raderstrom**

To start the first round, the senior Moore came out with much aggression and scored numerous punches. Moore had Raderstrom, a junior, backed into the ropes and dominated.

**Erik “Killer” Kilimurray def. Harrison “I Don’t Spare Her” Pursley**

With a consistent effort throughout all three rounds, the sophomore Kilimurray prevailed in a unanimous decision over the junior Pursley.

**Sandy “The Bulgarian Beast” Sevova def. Alyssa “Topp Dogg” Topping**

Coming out on fire, the junior Sevova started the fight off with some hard punches, and forced the senior Topping to the ropes on several occasions. Topping was put on defense early and remained there the whole fight.

**Anna “The Maine-lac” Carr “Crack” def. Kate “Milwaukee Brutizer” Maternowski**

After gaining the upper hand in the first round, the sophomore Carr started the fight throwing a lot of hard, well-executed punches. Carr had a good counter-attack and fought the punches off well.

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In the third round of this bout, the offensive against Hughes and her longer reach, but Taylor responded with a few of her own punches. In the third round, Taylor went on the offensive, but Mayka gained her composure back in split decision.

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ence with USA basketball was great. He’s on the Wooden list, he’s on every list, and right-

fully so. And I think that has him extremely confident. We had a great battle the first round and pop the cork in Kansas City. I hope, and let it get out there.

“Three is an interesting number. You’re a player-coach with me and you’re back on the blue (secondary) — you haven’t been on the blue team since your sophomore year. But he’ll be an assistant team captain, and he’ll be great in the role. The team has kept things close at the start, but after they tied the game at 14 with just 1:20 left, they took the game in the first half. Notre Dame went on a 23-3 run, putting the game out of reach. Junior forward Jack Cooley, who was not in the starting lineup due to an ankle injury and a hand infraction, scored the first six points during that stretch, finishing the game with 12 points and nine rebounds.

Sophomore guards Alex Dragicevich and Jerian Grant each finished the game with double-doubles. Grant added nine assists in just his second career game in an Irish uniform. Said he saw a new comfort level from his teammates.

“I thought we were a little better, especially Grant and Dragicevich. Both are talented offensive guys,” Brey said. “With these young players, when they’re not going good offensively, the other night they’re not going well defensively. Sometimes, they wouldn’t concentrate defensively. I thought we had a difficult time defensively, we worked harder, and eventually shots came around and they made shots too. But that’s just the young players — most young players are like that, hopefully they’ve learned something from this past week. Just dig in, you’re going to play. We need you out there, you’ve got to guard.”

Senior guard Scott Martin missed his second straight game with an ankle injury, but Brey said he plans on having Martin back for Notre Dame’s first regular season game Saturday against Miss-

issippi Valley State.

“I’m hoping we’ll have [Martin] back in practice on Thursday and we expect him to play on Saturday and be ready. He’s been shooting a little bit, and he’s certainly very comfortable with the game, and everything.”

Frillington said: “I think at one point we relaxed a bit and did not play as aggressive, and in the end, that hurt us.”

The loss left the Irish duo as runners-up in the tour-

nament overall, a title that Frill-

ington earned with former doubles partner and now assistant coach Kelyn Teff in 2008. Frillington said she is disappointed with the loss, but plans on using it as a learning experience heading into the rest of the fall season.

“Going forward, I think Shan-

non and I, first of all, have to put the loss in the finals behind us and learn from it,” Frillington said. “It was great to make it to the finals, but I think we know what we are ca-

pable of and want to keep working hard to win every match we play.”

Meanwhile in South Bend, the Irish faced seven more wins against Oklahoma, Sabarin-

ski, Kellner and McGaffigan all claimed two-set victories, and overall the Irish claimed three out of five doubles matches. Sunday brought two easy wins for Kellner and McGaffigan, bringing both to a weekend record of 3-0.

The Irish are next in action Fri-

day at the Lakewood Ranch Invita-

tional in Lakewood, Fl.

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tered the ring, Kunycky had the problem for Casill, and the defender answered with the victory by unanimous decision.

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Sports Writer

Tamara “Tko Win” Nguyen vs. Alyssa “the Karate Kid” Brianna “BK” Kunycky vs. Tamara “TKO Win” Nguyen

Nguyen, a grad student, started the match with a flurry of punches, using a quick left jab that continued to be her weapon of choice en route to a unanimous victory.

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With the fight still even go-

ving into the third round, the two continued to exchange punches en route to a split decision victory in favor of Lero.

Kaitlyn “The Bulldozer” Cole def. Kat “Burpees for Breakfast” Rodriguez

Cole narrowly defeated three-time veteran and cap-

tain Kat Rodriguez in a thrilling and emotional fight that got the whole crowd on its feet.

Cole and Rodriguez ex-

changed punches in the first round, as Rodriguez tried to land body punches while Cole managed to throw successful uppercuts.

In the second round, anoth-

er fast exchange led Cole to a stunning Rodriguez with a right-handed hook.

Despite nearly being knocked down again in the third round, Rodriguez fought until the end as the two went blow for blow. It was a hard-fought match, though, as Cole won in split decision.

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2 Second-in-command to Captain Kirk

3 State south of Manitoba. Abbr.

4 Mythological hammer thrower

5 Bejeweled headgear

6 River to the Saïne

7 Make gentle

8 Innocent, proven guilty

9 TV show for which Bill Cosby won three Emmys

10 Squinches early

11 Infallible

12 Honoring the art of the Roman de Troie

13 45 likes a whole lot

14 49 Stanley who can

15 Direct “Singin’ in the Rain”

16 Bit of song and dance, e.g.

17 53 isn’t a shame?

WILL SHORTZ

Horoscope


Happy Birthday: Getting together with friends and family will affect the way you feel about life and love. Sharing your thoughts, ideals and plans for the future will help you focus what you want. Good fortune is signaling if you work with someone you love in a project to make both of you feel better future. Your numbers are 4, 9, 14, 23, 38, 51, 67.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You’re so grateful, so generous what you can do. Financially, contractual and personal opportunities are apparent and should be taken advantage of. You’ll find that something you are working at will bring you a lot of money. Love and favorite interests are highlighted.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Make viable changes to your personal moves and financial investments. You can uncover interesting information if you discover your opinions or someone in the known. Nothing will lead to an opportunity you cannot miss.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

You’ll get much more than you expect if you ask for it. A partnership could really put you a lifetime. A property deal, or making arrangements at home or to a financial situation, will bring you greater opportunities in the future. ***

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Be careful where you put it. No one will have to understand. A change may not be welcome, but in the end it will be beneficial..Put a little pressure on someone who needs a change.is strong. Display what you need to offer.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Don’t stop believing in what you can do. A change of attitude will boost your confidence as well as your reputation. You can make changes that will help you attain greater success personally as well as professionally. Remember it is the sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Look at your options and do whatever it takes to maintain your financial position. Personal problems should be taken care of before they become too hard to handle. Be proactive with someone or anything that changes your status.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Look, partnerships possible. Make the most of any opportunity by eliminating and take to make to improve your position. Love is there, and planning a romantic evening will pay off. Take advantage of an investment opportunity. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Take time to make planned changes that will enhance your life, body, or attitude. Connecting with someone who inspires you will open a window of opportunity as well; enabling you to appreciate your current self for your future service.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Get to know people, place, and new possibilities. Go with the flow, and let your guide and move. Because of your personality this will add to your happiness. All that hard work has something to offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You can’t be sure when you deal with people and getting to something from them. Where you focus must be minimal, or you will take advantage of financially, containing requests for more. Lose your financial situation a secret. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Share your thoughts and you will become a valuable commodity to a group you are working with. Create security will develop if you make changes to order to get the most for the least. Misevaluation and simplicity are the keys to longevity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You will be minoritized if you are accountable or apart in the way you present what you want to be. Sit to change in possible. Offering something that you cannot possibly will lose your reputation. Honesty and integrity are essential.

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**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Another step on the road**

Abromaitis leads Irish to victory in exhibition game

By ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writer

Fifth-year forward Tim Abromaitis led the way with 18 points and 11 rebounds in 29 minutes in the second half Monday night, but that was not all the Irish needed to top Stony Hill 92-70.

Abromaitis, who will sit out the first four games of the regular season because of eligibility issues, totaled nine from beyond the arc, six of them in the second half.

Sophomore guard Eric Atkins controls the ball for the Irish in their 92-70 exhibition game victory over Stony Hill on Monday.

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**ND WOMEN’S SOCCER**

**Notre Dame captures at-large bid to NCAA**

Observer Staff Report

It was a long couple of days between Notre Dame’s loss to Louisville on Friday and the announcement of the 64-team NCAA Championship field Monday night, but that was yesterday’s news.

Despite Notre Dame’s (10-7, 6-2 Big East) 2-1 loss to the Cardinals in the Big East Tournament semifinals, the selection committee gave the Irish their 19th straight NCAA berth, and a chance to defend last year’s national championship.

“Definitely been a challenging season for us, but we’re excited to be part of this year’s NCAA tournament,” Irish coach Randy Waldrum said in a Monday press release. “We’ve had some anxious moments in the past few days waiting for the bracket to come out, and now that it’s here, we’re pleased to have the opportunity to defend our championship on the field.”

This year’s path to the College Cup may be the rockiest in recent memory as the Irish will face Big Ten Champion No. 18/13 Illinois on the road. The Illini (16-4-2, 8-2-1 Big Ten) have three unbeaten in their last 11 matches.

It will be a test for us to go down there and play them at their place,” Waldrum said.

Even if the Irish are able to past the Illini, a likely second round matchup for Notre Dame would put them against No. 2 seed Oklahoma State, whose loss in the Big 12 Championship was the only blemish on their 19-1-2 record.

But Waldrum and the Irish are focused strictly on their first match, and are thankful for the opportunity.

The Irish will begin their quest for their first national championship repeat when they take on Illinois on Sunday. The teams will kick off at 2 p.m.

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**MEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING**

Sophomore Dyer leads team with record times, personality

By MEGAN GOLDEN
Sports Writer

Irish sophomore freestyle swimmer Frank Dyer takes a step out of the pool between setting records. Dyer also performs on the stage in and the kitchen.

Residing in Stanford Hall, Dyer and his five roommates have developed a recent obsession with the Food Network. The group of friends gathers around the television every Tuesday night for the latest episode of “Chopped” and the possibility of Dyer’s occasional commercial break performances.

Meanwhile, Dyer’s love for music led him to join the on-campus a capella group, Half-time, at the start of this school year. Anyone who knows him says he is unafraid to share his passion for music with others.

“He really likes to sing,” Dyer said. “He’s a real good swimmer and swimming co-captain Chris Johnson said. “That kid will be a great addition to the team.”

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**ND WOMEN’S TENNIS**

Senior pairing places second in NY event

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

The Irish found success in two locations with a split roster as senior captains Kristy Frilling and Shannon Mathews started play at the Eck Classic, hosting the quarterfinals. It took 13 games to reach a conclusion, with the Irish duo coming out on top 8-5.

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**BARAKA BOUTS**

Annual tournament begins

By SCOTT FRANO
Sports Writer

Erik “Barney” Flattery def. Molly “Baby Bop” Russell

In the first fight of the night, junior Flattery overcame a height disadvantage to take a split-decision victory over fellow junior Russell.

Russell had a few inches on the smaller Flattery and got some solid punches in during the first round, while Flattery focused on defense. But in the final two rounds, Flattery adjusted by getting close to Russell, diminishing the influence of Russell’s reach. Flattery landed several blows that seemed to stagger Russell, but the Atlanta native hung tough.

Flattery was given the win by way of a split-decision in an entertaining opening bout.

Laura “Sunshine” Semeraro def. Lizzy “Hey Girl Hey” Millet

Senior senior Gina Rogari, right, throws a punch in her opening round fight against first-year graduate student Dana Spencer on Nov. 7.

Sophomore Gina Rogari, right, throws a punch in her opening round fight against first-year graduate student Dana Spencer on Nov. 7.

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Michelle “Lights Out” Laux def. Lauren “Bringa Bringer” Eckert

Laux, an off-campus senior, was too much for Eckert, a sophomore from Breen-Phillips, to handle, as Laux fought her way to a unanimous victory.

Laux attacked early and often, landing some big right hands on Eckert.

Eckert did well to see the fight to its end despite appearing a bit woozy at times, especially after Laux landed a unanimous decision on Millet, a Cavanaugh freshman.

Sermarero landed some quick punches early in the fight, focusing on jabs with her left hand. Millet did well to keep each round fairly even, but it was clear that Sermarero had control of the fight from the beginning.

Sermarero never outright dominated the fight, but she did more than enough to get the support of each judge, scoring the unanimous decision victory.