Student allegedly assaulted

Observer Staff Report

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The taxi was already carrying several passengers when it picked up the 21-year-old white suspect. The driver told police she picked up the suspect because she felt bad he was walking without a coat.

She said the suspect sat in the front passenger seat and did not say anything until he suddenly shouted at the other passengers in the cab, turned around and began hitting the victim in the neck.

The Observer is withholding the identity of the Saint Mary’s student because she is the victim of a crime, and is not naming the Notre Dame student because he has not been charged with a crime.

The incident occurred around 2:30 a.m. Saturday near State Road 23 and the 700 block of North St. Peter Street.

The victim, a 19-year-old female, said she was keeping to herself and talking to friends in the back of the cab when the suspect suddenly turned around and began assaulting her.

She told police she was scared and did not know what to do because she had never seen the suspect before and had never been in a similar situation. The driver came to her aid by pulling the suspect away from her.

Immediately after the assault began, the driver said she stopped the cab, pushed the suspect out the door, called 911 and began following the man, keeping police updated on the situation as she drove.

Police said the victim was visibly shaken and had redness around her neck, but she said she had no pain and refused medical treatment. The police then transported the victim back to the Saint Mary’s campus.

Police performed a portable breath test on the suspect and recorded a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .30, which is above the legal limit of .08.

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Alum advances dialogue

Superintendent talks about work in educational reform

By NICOLE MICHELS

A Notre Dame graduate who now works as Michigan’s superintendent of Public Instruction spoke Tuesday about education reform and the progress he has encouraged during his tenure.

Michael Flanagan’s talk “Education Reform: Monogram: A Practitioner’s Perspective” in Carole Sandner Hall was the latest event in the Notre Dame Forum 2011-12: Reimagining School.

Flanagan said the most pressing challenge for today’s educators is addressing the needs of the urban and poor. Sharing his experience of growing up in a working class family on Long Island, N.Y., he said education plays a critical role in realizing one’s potential.

“I think there’s a critical point that when you see other people believe in you, it changes your whole trajectory,” Flanagan said.

Flanagan said his critical point was when he had to adapt to his new environment after his family moved from Brooklyn to Long Island.

Flanagan said when a teacher informed him he would be placed in the “99th” program, he assumed it meant he was going to “be put on the short bus” because he was a troublemaker. However, his

Week calls attention to disorders

By DAN BROMBACH

Eating disorders, such as bulimia and anorexia, are increasingly common in the United States, but they remain a highly stigmatized topic many feel uncomfortable addressing.

National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, which takes place this week, hopes to change this trend. The event attempts to foster recognition of eating disorders not as choices but as serious, life-threatening illnesses, according to a press release on the event’s website.

As coordinator of Eating Disorder Services at Notre Dame, staff clinician Valerie Staples said many students struggle with how they eat and how they view their bodies.

“The concerns and body image concerns are very prevalent on this campus,” she said. “Last year, out of students who came here to the counseling center, 9.8 percent reported eating concerns.”

She said the frequency of disordered eating among Notre Dame students can be attributed to the University’s intensely competitive atmosphere.

“We have a culture on our campus of ‘always do better always improve,’” she said. “This reinforces people thinking about how they look in comparison to somebody else, about how much they eat and exercise in comparison to somebody else.”

Staples also said society and media play a role in creating pressures leading to eating disorders.

“It’s hard to pick up a magazine or watch any sort of a commercial nowadays that isn’t encouraging us to lose weight or to re-shape our bodies in some way, saying that we’ll be more happy or successful if we do,” she said. “While making physical improvement isn’t a bad thing, at what point do we need to appreciate other qualities in ourselves?”

Staples said eating disorders are underreported at Notre Dame not only because many students are

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Celli team dances to victory

By AUBREY BUTTS

For the second time in club history, the Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s Irish Dance Team danced its way to victory at the All-Ireland Dance Championship in Dublin as the team captured the championship trophy Feb. 17.

The team previously first won the All-Ireland competition in 2010.

Sophomore Connor Reider, the team’s coach, said going beyond simple participation to win the competition was significant.

“So many teams from across the world come to All-Irelands and it is basically the world championships,” he said. “It puts Notre Dame on the map.”

The Celli team consists of
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This week, Saint Mary’s Justice Education Program looks to harness the power of the moving image to celebrate the department’s 30th anniversary.

In honor of the event, the department is hosting the Leadership and Social Change Film Festival from this today and Thursday.

Jan Pilarski, director of the Justice Education Program, said she organized the festival with the help of the Center for Women’s Intercultural Leadership to draw attention to everyday people who strive for righteousness.

“The whole idea behind this film festival is to highlight ordinary people who have developed their leadership by doing extraordinary things in their countries for social justice,” she said.

Pilarski said the purpose behind the event is to draw attention to these exceptional goals achieved by regular people.

“Our goal is to have people realize that skills and issues are certainly what is going on,” she said. “What’s exciting is seeing people stretch themselves to realize that these issues are happening.”

The film shown Tuesday night, “Pray the Devil Back to Hell,” is the story of 2011 Nobel Peace Prize winner, Leymah Gbowee, as well as other courageous women’s rights activists in Liberia.

“This film is only 3 years old, so it is fairly new,” Pilarski said. “We are excited to include this film because of Gbowee winning the Nobel Peace Prize. Her accomplishment highlights how lessons of work carries over in many ways.”

Today’s film, “Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai,” is a dramatic story of a Kenyan Nobel Peace Prize winner whose simple act of planting trees grew into a national movement to protect the environment and human rights and defend democracy.

“The issues of land and environmental destruction are very prominent in this film,” Pilarski said. “Maathai not only built strength within herself, but she built a movement. This film highlights the importance of how to make change.

“Maathai became a catalyst with her movement for continued action in Kenya including the poor and women of the country. Her act of standing up to people in power for taking land from the poor began with a simple act of planting trees.”

Thursday, the department wraps up the film festival with a showing of “A Small Act,” a Sundance-featured film about a Holocaust survivor and the Kenyan student whose education she supports. The film demonstrates how individual actions can create a ripple effect to make a difference and support change, Pilarski said.

“This film has a lot of potential to show how individuals can create something bigger than they ever imagined,” she said. “Much of change is built on relationships and partnerships.”

“A Small Act” shows each of us in our own way have the potential to make a difference and the connections we make.

Playing films that showcase leadership skills and the power of everyday people ultimately conveys to students the message of the Justice Education department, Pilarski said.

“The Leadership and Social Change Film Festival truly hits the mark on our department’s anniversary theme,” she said. “The films are meant as examples of justice education in college, community and around the globe.”

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Advisory council hopes to bridge arts, academics

By MICHAEL RODIO

Seniors Ryan Belock and Hal Melia are hoping to bridge the gap between the University's artistic and academic departments with the creation of a new student-run advisory council, Arts@ND.

"Belock said he and Melia host - ed the second meeting of Arts@ND, titled "WE 'ART' ND," in February. The meeting used the slogan "create, celebrate and collaborate."

Belock said he first imagined Arts@ND during his freshman year, when he realized the program - ing department at DPAC, the music, art, art history, design, and Film, Television & Theatre (FTT) departments independently trying to increase attention to arts on campus.

Belock said he learned the University's 2008 Strategic Plan for the Arts envisioned an Arts Advisory Council in support of the University's "Decade of the Arts." He found campus leaders, especially students, supporting creating an advisory committee to serve academic and extra-curricular arts groups.

"The students need to be part of those conversations," Be - lock said. "I wanted to get peers, professors and professionals on campus working these issues out together and not only in the isolated circles, but finding ways to proac - tively collaborate and create."

At the start of the school year, Belock said he and Melia worked with student body president Pat McCormick to create a student- driven force for supporting arts on campus. McCormick architecture - ed for enhancing campus arts in his campaign platform.

Belock said he and Melia hosted the first meeting of the Arts at Notre Dame Student Ad - visory Group in November to brainstorm how the organiza - tion could work. Small groups of professors, staff members and students developed potential ini - tiatives.

"The largest takeaway from the first meeting was that we have a lot of creative talent across many majors, not just arts majors, that can help the most pressing is - sues for student activities arts groups, ensembles, classes and professional programming on campus," he said.

Belock said the meeting also helped introduce students from across the academic spectrum. "This was the first time some FTT students met art, art history and design students," he said. "It was also the first time some had been in the Regis Philbin Studio Theater [in DPAC].

Belock said he and Melia host - ed the second meeting of Arts@ND, titled "WE 'ART' ND," in February. The meeting used the slogan "create, celebrate and collaborate."

Belock said the group hosted the meeting in Riley Hall of Art and Design to set a standard that arts have several "bases" on campus that need to be fully integrated into thoughts and col - laboration.

At the meeting, he directed Bander von Ken Dye presented examples of collaborative work in the arts, including projects by rock bands OK Go and U2. Be - lock said students recommended opening a café in Riley Hall, im - proving the "Arts" section of the University website, creating a publication to cover campus arts and instituting a College of Fine Arts.

"We are narrowing down and voting on short-term projects to pursue this spring that will make a noticeable impact on the 'aura of the arts' at Notre Dame," he said.

Belock said Arts@ND's prima - ry progress has been the opportu - nity to encourage conversation between students and faculty. "They all share three things in common. They love Notre Dame, they love the arts, and they want to make them both better here," he said.

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said it turned out to be the opposite — a program for talented eighth graders who would be given ninth grade work.

"I taught me a lesson that so much of this [education] is about expectations that you have for every child, and that almost without exception they will reach great heights if we believe in them," Flana - gan said.

"We realize it is important to be - lieve all kids can learn, Flana - naged said change cannot be conceptualized until we begin to act on an individual level.

"You have to be careful to design reforms that don't make you feel good about all [the children], and in the pro - cess forget to reach down to every child," he said.

Even after 30 years as a local, regional and state su - perintendent, Flanagan said he continues to act on the les - son he learned early in his career when he examined a particular district: the need to improve the quality of edu - cation is more important than what people want to hear.

"Overall, they were high achieving, but they didn't look at individual kids," he said. "I said that I bet we're just like everyone else, that we're able to teach science by high school.

When he brought his find - ings to public attention, the reactions were far from posi - tive, he said.

"The headline the next day didn't help me," he said. "Superintend - ents sometimes go town, girls test scores go down," Flana - gan said. "That and the reac - tion taught me a real lesson that you have to be willing to realize that change is easier said than done, that you have to confront the status quo."

Flanagan said a number of his most recent pushes for re - form has been to raise the "cut scores," or the cut-off score that students have to attain on standardized tests to be considered at grade lev - el, which encourages greater achievement in Michigan schools.

"All we did was raise the bar, and even though a few kids could jump over that bar, we saw that they all ended up jumping higher than they did before," he said.

Flanagan said his other goals include providing free ACT testing to all Michigan students, improving reading proficiency levels from es - tablishing tenure procedures that protect teach - ers and require achieve - ment and developing ways to ad - dress the varied needs of Michigan's children.

The Notre Dame graduate said at times, critics have tar - geted his Catholic faith.

"I'm very concerned with determining what's right for the kids, and I know that some of this process is pain - ful for the adults involved," Flanagan said. "I know that's part of the job."

Tim Scully, director of the Institute for Educational Initiatives at the Center for Social Concerns, said this is due to Catholicism's clearly defined positions on these contentious issues.

"Unlike some religions, we have a social teaching, that being a position in regards to parent choice. All parents should have the opportunity to choose a de - cent school for their kids," Scully said. "Not everyone in this tradition has this teaching, it implies a certain stake in the ground in debates."

Surprisingly, Flanagan said the University of Michigan helped them to en - act these reforms.

"We couldn't get some of these reforms and innovations if we had enough money where we could just keep throwing money at [problems]," Flana - gan said. "It's not that mon - ey makes no difference, but you almost have to use it as an excuse to revamp the whole sys - tem."

Scully said Flanagan's speech con - tinued the Forum's discussion on broad development in education reform.

"I think Mike Flanagan is an example of how one who has entered into a really con - tented field and has made a difference because of his deep empathy," Scully said. "We hope that the people here today will leave asking ques - tions, and at a Catholic uni - versity they see questions are exactly the kind of questions that we ought to be raising."

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and public intoxication to the prosecutor's office. The suspect was not taken into custody and has not been charged with any crime yet.

Police said the suspect's speech was unintelligible, and he was asked questions clearly on tell officers where he lived or where he was coming from. The report stated the sus - pect became more talkative in the backseat of the squad car, apologizing and asking to explain himself.

Police said they trans - ported the suspect to Notre Dame Security Police (NDSP) where they confirmed he is a student at Notre Dame living in an on-campus dorm.

The officers then took the suspect home and later sent additional officers to the apartment to perform a welfare check on the suspect due to his high BAC.

University Spokesman Den - nis Denich declined to com - ment because the suspect has not been charged.

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afraid or embarrassed to ask for help, but also because they realize they have a problem.

“For many individuals, they simply don’t recognize what they’re doing is destructive and unhealthy,” Staples said. “Weight loss is considered a good thing, and so they think ‘the more the better.’”

Recognizing many of the primary misconceptions surrounding eating disorders, Staples said there is harm in labeling eating disorders as a woman’s problem.

Certainly there are a greater percentage of women who are affected by eating disorders, but it would be a very narrow perspective to think about this as only a women’s issue,” she said. “If we look at eating disorders this way, we continue to make it more challenging for men to recognize its impact in their lives and to seek treatment.”

Staples said if you know somebody struggling with an eating disorder, the most important step in helping them is simply saying something to them.

“It’s very important that you let the person know that you’re concerned,” she said. “It may not necessarily be an easy conversation to have, but until the person recognizes that their problem is affecting other people they may continue to be in denial about it.

Ultimately, Staples said all members of the Notre Dame community have a responsibility to change the atmosphere on campus by taking the eating struggles of others into consideration in language and actions.

“As a community, we should be mindful of our language in terms of how much we talk about weight, calories, exercise,” she said. “We all have responsibility to make changes in our culture in that way.”

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eight girls from Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s. The time devoted to practice and preparation for the competition, along with the small group size, fosters a sense of community and team unity. Saint Mary’s senior Mary Mitchell said.

“We all did came no close with one another. Spending every single night practicing for hours, having team brunches and living together for the week in Dublin, you get to know each other inside and out,” she said. “We’re a quirky bunch.”

Participating specifically in the Club Ceili division involving learning two traditional Ceili numbers from a designated set of choices, Reider said performing the same numbers as the other teams meant they had to perfect their routines.

“Every single person needs to be doing the exact same action at the same time,” he said. “You have to make sure your toes are pointed, your legs are the exact same length, and your lines are perfectly straight.

This precision applied not only to the dance routines, but to costumes as well, Mitchell said. “The style and precision applied not only to the dance routines, but to costumes as well, Mitchell said. “The style and precision applied not only to the dance routines, but to costumes as well, but to costumes as well.”

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2012 Student Health & Wellness Fair
February 29, 2012
3:30 – 7:00 PM
Rolfs Sports Recreation Center

Workshop Schedule

4:00

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6:00

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Romney wins Michigan Republican primary

On Sunday, while in Florida for the Daytona 500, he remarked that he doesn’t follow NASCAR as closely as some but has “some great friends that are NASCAR team owners.”

When a reporter asked Tuesday whether comments that have drawn attention to his wealth have hurt his campaign, Romney gave a one-word answer: “Yes.” Then he said: “Next question.”

Romney took personal responsibility for a heckle by a NASCAR team owner when he was asked about something he described as “inflammatory” comments he said he’s unwilling to make “in Michigan’s primary because you’re unwilling to hear and say ‘outrageous’ things” like his opponents.

Romney’s easy to excite the base with incendiary comments. We’ve seen throughout the campaign that if you’re willing to say really outrageous things that are really accusa- tion campaigns and attacks of President Obama, you’re going to jump up in polls,” he said. “I’m not willing to light my hair on fire to try and get support. I am what I am.”

Romney accused Santorum of trying to “kidnap the primary process” by urging Democrats to come to the polls in Michigan’s primary — “it’s open to people willing to declare themselves Republicans for the purposes of voting in the Republican primary.”

In an automated phone call, Santorum’s campaign urged Michigan Democrats to vote against Romney because he opposed the government bailout of the auto industry.

Mitchell said “The style and cut had to be identical. Judges will take points off your presentation if they don’t feel you look like a cohesive group.”

Arriving on Feb. 15, the team had a busy schedule of sightseeing, watching other performances and dances for the current group of the Notre Dame women’s team. The experience abroad in Dublin, Reider said.

When the team finally performed Friday Colleen Gerth said their second year was more exciting than the first, but that the team’s best performance ever.

“We were all pretty anxious before, but we thought to be focused and think about what you are doing,” she said. “We were more excited the second and after we finished that last step, we could tell we had put our whole heart and soul into it.”

With five seniors on the team, the All-Ireland competition represented the last time many of the girls would have the opportunity to dance competitively. However, Gerth said the trophy ceremony brought immense satisfaction.

“The cup is engraved each year with the name of the team who wins,” she said. “I was on the team two years ago, and I had never seen the cup with our name on it. It was really exciting to see and to know that our name would be on there again.”

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Wednesday, February 29, 2012
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Today is a cause for four times the celebration.

We Leapers have been underappreciated- ed our entire lives. From being deterred from numerous forms and applications because of our un- recognized birthday to taking the brunt of juvenile jokes, we’ve truly heard it all.

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“You only get presents every four years? That’s terrible!”

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Dear Fr. Jenkins,

As a recent Notre Dame graduate of the Program of Liberal Studies and Pre-Med, I feel I have a unique voice in the intersection of the humanities and science. Catholic citizens have a special call to preserve the dignity of life despite our culture of death. Government interference on these sorts of issues ought to be gópia to all. Our very freedom as religious citizens is at stake. It cannot be tolerated simply because a unique mission of the Church is to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

The Founding Fathers carefully constructed this country such that religious freedom and responsible government could coexist. Like Aristotle and others in the Western tradition, they held religious liberty above all virtue. They recognized the importance of individual liberty and responsibility in the citizenry along with good education. The implications of our current poor education system are grave—poverty, illiteracy and apathy concerning public affairs and the state abound, resulting in a stunted national dialogue in which angry screaming suffices for public discourse. This is no environment in which to encourage honest discussion of things like justice, freedom and virtue.

This is where the HHS Mandate enters the conversation. I am not a naysayer. I do think that, despite these unfortunate circumstances I laid out above, we ought to strive to be good citizens. Notre Dame is a pillar of stability in a university culture that suppresses anything other than secular liberalism. This will not change. From what I understand, you, Fr. Jenkins, have often been caught in between the factions of these fierce culture wars.

So, I urge you to take great caution in the decisions that face you now. You are a representative of the Catholic Church, indeed one of the most influential figures in our day and age. That is a heavy weight to bear. The American Catholic Church depends on your support. The lives of the unborn depend on it. Your very faith as it plays out in these modern times depends on it.

As renowned apologist G.K. Chesterton once wrote, “Christianity has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult and left untried.” Will you be bauder for your decision to oppose this mandate? Probably not. Will you be respected for your forbearance in reasserting the authority of the Church on moral issues that stem from the doctrine itself? I believe yes. Despite the acerbic liberal secular rejection of any theological arguments explaining human nature and how we ought to live, we can prevail. The only way to do this, however, is to remain believing in the world but not of it. Following only the light of Christ and trying to beckon others into Notre Dame is a shining beacon of faith, hope and love. Take away how she represents the Church and you take away the very spirit of Our Lady. You take away what She represents. You take away the tradition and generations of graduates who are proud to be part of the Fighting Irish nation.

Please, Fr. Jenkins, listen to us. We are not against you. We want to help you. We want you to show the same charity and virtue in this decision that Christ shows to us at every moment of every day. And who are we, limited mortals as we are, to deny the call to Christ?

(To read this letter online, please visit dearfrjenkins.tumblr.com)

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Class of 2011
Feb. 24

Single girl swag

I am writing in response to the column “Dating and relating” (Feb. 26) by David Moss. As a student who is enrolled at Saint Mary’s and at Notre Dame, this article is particularly appealing to me. First of all, to all Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s women, this stigma between us has got to end. We are all adults, to all Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s women, this is your chance to be heard. And to all Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s men, this is your chance to learn.

Also, don’t for an instant second-guess yourself from going to Notre Dame just because the “social dating scene” is a little dry or that the boys seem uninterested in you. We are all in our 20s! This is the time to live! Let the boys be, let them be bros with their bros. Soon they’re going to have to say goodbye to all of that anyway if you want a man to rake in all the dough for you (my apologizes, gentlemen). For the single ladies out there, go ahead and get your single girl swag on, get dressed up and have a fun night on the town, regardless if a boy pays attention or not! To the girls judging you for getting fro on the town, regardless if a boy pays attention or not! To the girls judging you for getting fro on the town, regardless if a boy pays attention or not! To the girls judging you for getting fro on the town, regardless if a boy pays attention or not!

A Lenten proposal for all

In the aftermath of an undesirably ignorant act of racial hate, we as a campus must reflect on the efforts we make to ensure all students are treated with equality and respect. With that thought in mind, I ask this. Are we truly trying our best to be a university by one where liberty and equality are emphasized? I believe the answer is yes by comparison to many others. However, there is still room for improvement. We as a campus, as students and as religion, must try our best to live up to that statement.

I believe that one possible method is to propose an act of fasting. We can ask President Obama to be the first to fast. By fast, I mean the complete absence of animal products for an entire Lent.

What I am proposing is the idea that the campus be invited to fast during Lent, regardless of whether they are Catholic or not. This resembles a penance that is similar to giving up things we believe ourselves to be dependent upon. I pose this question to any Catholic student opposed to the decision the dieting hall serving meat on Fridays during Lent: How hard is it to make a sacrifice when the choice is already made? How easy is it to make a sacrifice when we must attempt to consciously and willingly give up things we believe ourselves to be dependent upon? I urge you to consider the difficulty of the sacrifice to oppose this mandate. Probably not. Will you be respected for your choice to oppose this mandate because you believe it is wrong? Will you be respected for your choice to oppose this mandate because you believe it is wrong? Will you be respected for your choice to oppose this mandate because you believe it is wrong?

Chuck Kohout
sophomore
Alumni Hall
Feb. 27

EDITORIAL CARTOON

Hillary Shesterkin
freshman
LeMans Hall
Feb. 28
There’s nothing a Notre Dame student loves more than a challenge. Here’s one to add to your bucket list, right below the Hesburgh Challenge and Ring by Spring — the Dance Dare. Notre Dame has 29 residence halls, so this trial requires stamina and strategy. Here’s a quick how-to guide for the ladies and gentlemen who want an excuse to dress up, strut their stuff or just check off another dance from their list.

Rules of the Dance Dare
1. You must attend at least one dance hosted by every residence hall on campus.
2. Guys must also go to male dorm events. Girls, same deal.
3. Getting an invitation and going to an event is not the same thing. You must attend and participate. You must dance.
4. All dances must be completed before graduation.

Last-Minute Low Down
While a month seems like enough time to locate a date, you have to make your move soon. Girls like to have their dresses — and dates — secured long before the week of the Pangborn Formal, March 24. So drop a few not-so-subtle hints to your honey. If you don’t know anyone in Pangborn, start going to the Rock instead of Rolfs, or Reckers instead of LaFortune. The proximity factor is key. Once you have a target in sight, just lay it on thick. At this point in the game, it’s either go big or go home.

The same goes for the Lewis Crush, March 30. The sweetest girls on campus also have one of the coolest traditions. During their Crush Week, which includes a race fundraiser for breast-cancer awareness, the Lewis Chicks serenade their chosen dates for this Hawaiian-themed dance — and they get a can of Orange Crush. What more could a date ask for? It’s ladies’ choice for this one, so also make sure to sign up for the Chicken Run that week … and win.

As for the Keenan Dome Dance, March 31, who wouldn’t want to dance the night away under our beloved Golden Dome? The Keenan boys get classy in the Main Building, so scout out your date quickly. Go to North Dining Hall and make sure to eat on Keenan side, and talk up how much you loved the Keenan Revue. You’ll score even more points if you follow up on the friends you made during Muddy Sunday last year, another one of Keenan’s signature events.

Plan Ahead Pointers
The Alumni Wake Dance, April 21, is a night nobody forgets … or is it members? The dance is part of Alumni Hall’s Wake Week, in which members celebrate a something like a traditional Irish wake in the Oak Room of South Dining Hall. This night will be filled with strange and unusual rituals that you can only see to believe. This being said, Alumni Dawgs are known for their dorm pride, so it wouldn’t hurt to show your support at the upcoming inter-hall ice hockey playoffs.

Finally, the St. Edward’s Yacht dance is the capstone of all Notre Dame dances. On the last day of classes, the men of St. Edward’s get to whisk their dates away on a evening cruise. The lucky few get to dance against the backdrop of Chicago’s night skyline — on a boat, no less. This is a no brainer. Lie, cheat or steal if necessary. Even if you need to stand outside your Stedsman’s window holding a boombox over your head, blasting “I’m On a Boat,” you will go to this dance.

That’s all I have, ladies and gentlemen. Only the truly talented will be able to complete the Dance Dare, but with Spring Break on the horizon, you’ve only got so much time to secure your invites. But remember, all’s fair in love and war. Tick tock.
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### Trefoil Shortbread

**Ingredients:**
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 cup butter, room temperature
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 cup confectioners’ sugar
- 4 oz. dark chocolate chips
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1/4 cup nuts

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**Instructions:**
1. In a microwave safe bowl, combine the brown sugar, flour, and salt. Add the flour and mix until well combined.
2. In another bowl, beat the butter until creamy. Add the remaining ingredients, and mix until smooth.
3. Mix the wet and dry ingredients together, and then refrigerate for 30 minutes.
4. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
5. Roll out the dough on a lightly floured surface and cut into shapes. Bake for 8 minutes.

**Tips:**
- Use sugar-free caramels.
- You can also do this over medium heat.
- You can also do this on the stove.
- Milk chocolate is suggested, but you can use whatever!

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Fortunately, America, the calendar is about to turn to March, and that means it’s almost time once again to turn out a bracket and start rooting for the newest George, VCU or Butler to become the feel-good Cinderella story of college basketball, something the NCAA could really use right now.

So, hang in there during the final week before the Big East tournament kicks off and a great month of basketball next week. I know life is rough without football, but resist the urge to stay in your pajamas all day watching the Combined University of Adele and Georgia Tech on an endless supply of I-65 and Jerry’s ice cream.

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SPORTS AUTORITY

REALLY, America? I know it’s been more than three weeks since football officially ended and the Jeremy Lin craze slowly slowed down, but now, you’re waiting for the NBA Playoffs or Major League Baseball to get going.

But that doesn’t mean you have to stoop to the level of watching the NFL Combine, NBA All-Star Game or, even worse, NASCAR.

For example, if you’re bummed by the love of your life and, rather than simply waiting to find someone who’s on your level, you settle for the first girl or guy you pass on the street.

It’s like TCU prematurely making the jump from the Mountain West to the Big East instead of waiting for the entire conference realignment scenario to unfold, they ended up in a much better conference (the Big 12), but it cost the school $5.5 million to make the move.

What if I told you I’d prefer to watch the NBA All-Star Game over the NFL Draft, a World Series or whichever over-hyped event it was that caused you to avoid the Twitterverse on Sunday night, but that doesn’t mean I’m going to watch it.

Let’s start with the NFL Combine. If you watch this for more than 20 minutes in one setting, you’re that guy in the relationship who can’t go and keep the sweatshirt she left in your apartment because the smell reminds you of her. Seriously. Let go.

What’s entertaining about watching 21- and 22-year-olds run a 40-yard dash or their ability to jump how high their vertical is, or sitting on the edge of your seat to see which quarterback has the best chemistry with receivers he’s unfamiliar with and plays he’s never seen?

The answer is nothing. It’s the most overrated and meaningless event on the year’s sports calendar. Ask the Raiders how important this draft class is and Marcuss Russell could throw a football 65 yards from his knees (that’s a little over one-and-a-half 40-yard dashes for you Combine fans out there).

Now on to the NBA All-Star Game. Unless TNT had Shaquille O’Neal and Charles Barkley participate in a halftime food-eating contest, you wasted your time if you watched it. It’s hard enough to watch an entire NBA regular-season game, but try watching the All-Star Game for 10 minutes. If you think professional athletes can’t care in a regular game, you’ll be amazed by the apathy displayed in the matchup of the game’s best players.

Last year, NBA. It bothered me to even mention it in a Sports Authority column because well, NASC is not a sport. At its best, it’s a bunch of racecars making left-hand turns over and over and over again. At its worst, it’s a minor league Demolition Derby, as Juan Pablo Montoya found out Monday night.

I know the thirst for all-things sports in America is at an all-time high, but that doesn’t mean it’s acceptable to watch anything ESPN or any other channel throw on the tube.

Wade said issues that he never offered an apology for were things like the likes of which seemed to be something not typical in an All-Star Game setting — simply made in correct assumptions.

“I don’t care what I’m portrayed as,” Wade said after Miami’s first practice following the league’s All-Star break. “It’s not that I don’t care, but when you get pulled in a direction like that, it’s unfortunate. I don’t want to ever hurt anybody in this game, especially on a freak play like that. It’s unfortunate. I send my apologies. But I’m not intentional. If it’s something I did intentionally, it’d be a different story.”

A week ago, the Heat could only have dreamed that they were out of the NBA spotlight, bumped by the meteoric rise of Jeremy Lin in New York.

Now it’s a different story. Two plays seem to be generating the most attention from there. Usual All-Star game — Wade’s hard foul against Bryant and James, and James’ all-but-call at the end of what became a three-pointer for the Eastern Conference.

“It’s an All-Star game, I mean, come on,” said Heat coach Erik Spoelstra, who couldn’t answer a question about what he thought of James’ play in the final seconds because he said he didn’t watch and instead turned on replays of it. “It’s a continuation of the theater of the absurd. I didn’t even know if it’s going to motivate me to actually evil to win the game and be this way.”

“There’s nothing we can do about it, about the extreme exaggeration about everything that happens with our team,” Spoelstra continued. “All we can focus on is us. And at the end of the season, hopefully it ends the right way, and that’ll ultimately be the only way we can shut people up.”

The Heat enter the second half of the season tied with Oklahoma City for the league’s best record at 27-7. Miami starts a three-game road trip Thursday night in Portland, followed by a game at Utah — and then, in a nationally televised game that provided some interest at the Lakers on Sun-

day afternoon. Bryant stayed in after the Wade hit, and the Lakers said Tuesday that he also got a concussion in the All-Star Game. Bryant is listed as day-by-day by the Lakers, who play host to Minnesota on Wednesday night.

“D-Wade didn’t, at all, go for a hard foul,” James said. “I want to wrap his arms up and accidentally hit him in the nose.

...he wanted to foul him but he didn’t mean to hard-foul him like that.”

Wade acknowledged that he did try to foul Bryant, and said he did so to stop the clock so he could approach a nearby referee to complain about fouls that he felt were committed against him and went uncalled.

So not long after a Pro Bowl that was deemed by NFL fans and even Commissioner Roger Goodell as lacking any real sense of competition, the NBA’s version of a star-studded exhibition got too far down the stretch by some standards.

“Hey, do you want it?” Heat forward Chris Bosh said. “It was all about the game. It came down to the last possession. It was all for the fans. That’s what they want. You get competitors out there, it may go a certain particular way for a limited amount of time, but after a while guys, they’re really going to get after it. And those make the best games.

At the end, James found himself in the spotlight. The East trailed by two points with about five seconds left in the fourth quarter. Guided by Bryant, James dribbled right, then tried slicing a one-handed, diagonal pass back to his left. The pass was stolen by Blake Griffin, who made one free throw to close the scoring in the West’s 125-149 win.

It was reported Sunday that Bryant told James to shoot the ball in that situation, and James said afterwards he let his team down. But it didn’t end there.

That play has been questioned.

“Is that something new?” James asked, rhetorically on Tuesday.

Wade apparently was ready to put the All-Star game behind him and said he was done discussing the issue after Tuesday.

However, it’s almost certain to come up again when the Heat head out to face Bryant and the Lakers over the weekend.

“When I saw the blood in his nose, I was like, ‘Obviously, I wasn’t trying to do that, man.’” Wade said. “I don’t know if anybody wants me to just win on my knees in front of the world and do it. I don’t have to that. I send my apologies to Kobe and I move on from it.”

Kobe Bryant reacts after Dwyane Wade’s hard foul during the NBA All-Star basketball game Sunday in Orlando.

Kobe Bryant

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forth a strong defensive effort.
Graberger almost broke through early in the final round, pushing Skelly against the ropes and knock-
ing him back with a series of upper body shots and head shots. Skelly maintained his poise and com-
posure to rebound and threw a series of strong hooks to end the round.
Skelly took the bout by unani-
mous decision.
188 lbs.
Adrian “Yo Adrian” Moreno def. Frank “The Tank” Conway
A back-and-forth fight ended with senior Adrian Moreno earning a unanimous decision victory over senior Frank Conway.
The first round was marked by a quick tempo, as both boxers came out throwing a wild array of punch-
es. Conway was aggressive on the attack, assailing Moreno with a flurry of body shots at one point. Moreno displayed a nice recovery, knocking Conway down with a hard body shot and later moving him onto the ropes.
The second round saw each boxer land several punches, as they continued to attack each other with intensity. Moreno moved Conway to the ropes with a series of powerful body shots early in the round, but Conway responded with a jab to Moreno’s head that left Moreno bleeding and forced the first stop-
page of the bout.
Moreno made a strong case for victory in the final round, hitting Conway with a series of demonstra-
tive punches. Conway came on the attack early in the round, but More-
no moved him back with an intense right hook to Conway’s face. More-
no landed a few more headshots to cement the victory.
As a result of Moreno’s efforts in the third round, the senior was awarded the victory by unanimous decision.

Chris “Not Brian” Salvi def. Brian Tower
Senior Chris Salvi got off to a fast start in his way to a victory over senior Brian Tower in the final 188-pound bout.
In the matchup, Tower began the fight on the early attack, but Salvi was able to evade many of his early punches. Salvi mixed in an array of body shots, hitting Tower particu-
larly hard with one lower body shot that forced a temporary stoppage of the bout. Tower made a strong re-
cover effort toward the end of the round, landing a few body shots on Salvi before the end of the round.
The second round was fully dom-
inated by Salvi, as he landed an ear-
ly uppercut on Tower’s face that left Tower sprawling on the ground. Af-
er a brief stoppage, Tower tried to go on the attack, but Salvi stopped him in his tracks with a quick up-
er body shot that knocked Tower down for the second time. The referee then decided to end the fight in the second round, giving Salvi the victory.

204 lbs.
Senior Bart Dear established control late over junior Reid Paape to win and advance to the champi-
onship fight.
Neither boxer showed a clear ad-
vantage in the first round, as both fighters landed exchanges. Dear used his height advantage to throw early headshots, but Dear rebound-
ed to land a few uppercuts and lower body shots.
Paape came out on the attack in the second round, throwing the majority of punches and remaining aggressive throughout. Dear largely fed off most of Paape’s punches, showing a unique ability to an-
counter his opponent’s moves. Dear landed a few punches of his own as the round progressed, hitting Paape with several upper body shots just before the bell rang.

Dear took control of the fight in the final round, continuing to dis-
play strong defense techniques while also wearing Paape down with a flurry of low body shots and five headshots toward the end of the round.
Dear’s strong third round ef-
fort helped give him the victory by unanimous decision.

Brian “Caesar” Salat def. Chris “Stubbie” Sarkis
Junior Chris Sarkis outlasted ju-
ior Chris Sarkis in a match that left both fighters exhausted and Salat the victor by unanimous decision.
The two juniors came out swinging to start the bout with Sarkis connecting on the first solid flurry of punches near the ropes. Sarkis fought back and landed his own fair share of blows near the ropes, uti-
lizing left-right combinations. The round concluded with both boxers exchanging shots to the head and the body.
The second stanza began with Salat pressing on an aggressive attack that featured the use of jabs and hooks with uppercuts dispersed throughout. Sarkis stood strong though and landed a few punches with his powerful right hook. The back-and-forth action persisted as Salat got Sarkis up against the ropes and landed strong shots. Sarkis then went back to the uppercut and con-
ected with a few of them to close out the round strongly against Sarkis.
Sarkis opened the final frame by throwing powerful punches in what was otherwise a slow start to the last third of the fight. The pace picked up, as each fighter would throw a punch and retreat, waiting for the other to become vulnerable. Sarkis landed a few combinations before Salat con-
ected on an uppercut. Both fighters were absolutely spent by the final bell and Salat nabbed the win by unani-
mous decision.

Heavyweights

Nate “Catdome” Arnold def. John Rompf
Nate Arnold was able to use a combination of elusiveness and power to defeat fellow law student John Rompf by unanimous decision.
Arnold came out of the gates ag-
gressively, leaning into his opponent and throwing forceful jabs. Rompf countered with a monster hook that Arnold eluded. Rompf tried to work both hooks and jabs against Ar-
old, but Arnold was able to ward off the blows and get Rompf onto the ropes. The two heavyweights then slowly down and threw jabs before one final even-sided out-
burst concluded the first round.
The second frame began with Ar-
nold landing a few quick jabs. Rompf was momentarily flat-footed and Arnold capitalized by connect-
ing on a big right hook. The next segment of the round was unevent-
ful, with the two boxers regaining their energy. As the clock wound down on the middle round, Arnold went after Rompf with jabs to the body.
Arnold opened up the final round like he did start of the fight, coming after Rompf aggres-
sively with speed and quick hands. Rompf, however, fought back and landed a good left-right combo to the head. Arnold was not to be de-
feated, though, and kept up the pace for the duration of the fight earn-
ing him the win by unanimous de-

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Nate Arnold

Daniel Yi def. Brian Ellixson
Sophomore Daniel Yi took his quickness and agility to defeat law student Brian Ellixson in the night’s final contest.
The final match of the evening started with both boxers displaying

quickness and agility. Ellixson knocked down Yi, who quickly got up and resumed the fight. Ellixson landed a flurry of left-right combina-
tions that had Yi attempting to counter off his back foot. Ellixson attempted to open the round with repeated jabs, but Yi showed an exceptional dodging ability.
After ducking many of Ellixson’s efforts, Yi countered with some jabs of his own. Ellixson then got his opponent on the ropes, but Yi deflected the majority of the punches and managed to connect with some jabs to conclude the sec-
ond frame.
The final stanza began in excit-
ing fashion, with both boxers com-
pletely letting loose in the corner, exchanging jabs and hooks with one another. The crowd got into it after the back-and-forth action and the excitement palpably built in the night’s final round.
Yi ducked many of Ellixson’s punches and returned fire by throwing various combinations. With the clock running out and both boxers emptying their respec-
tive tanks, Yi landed some good punches to conclude the fight and got the win by split decision.

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**Griess and coming out victorious.**

Griess had a longer arm reach than Cho, but Cho was able to get inside the reach and counter with extremely fast punches. In the latter half of the round, Griess seemed to keep Cho at a distance, but Cho got a solid jab to Griess head in right before the bell rung.

With the momentum of the punch at the end of the round, Cho landed a solid one-two combo to start the second round. Cho was then able to force Griess back against the ropes. Once against the ropes, Cho released a series of short quick body strikes. When Griess moved his arms down to block his body, Cho struck quickly with a blow to the head. Griess continued well and finished off the second round strongly.

Cho started the second round much the same as the second. Cho, on a powerful right jab, backed Griess into the corner, where he continued to throw fast punches. Cho quickly dodged many of these and returned with body shots, which were then followed by calculated head shots. Cho controlled the third round and was a unanimous decision.

**Joe and Jeff**

The first round saw both fighters establish periods of dominance. After both boxers traded jabs to begin the round, Joe went after Ulrich with a flurry of body shots, knocking him against the ropes. Ulrich rebounded quickly, countering with a series of low punches and driving Joe into the corner of the ring.

In the second round, both boxers increased the intensity, attacking each other with a wide series of punches throughout the round. Joe continued to use offensively driven defense with a series of consistent body shots for a good portion of the round, but Ulrich recovered to land a few low body shots of his own.

Although both fighters showed fatigue in the third round, they continued to wear each other down and end the round. Joe continued to attack Ulrich, landing a series of uppercuts to Ulrich's face. Ulrich countered with a flurry of body shots, and both boxers continued to exchange punches until the final bell sounded.

In a split decision, Joe was awarded the victory.

**180 lbs.**

**Brian “Not Chris” Salvi def. Joe “Send in the Troll” Garrity**

A powerful effort by Brian Salvi sent the law student into the championship past senior Joe Garrity.

In a matchup of Chicago natives, Garrity displayed great aggressiveness in the first round, throwing the majority of punches and moving Salvi onto the ropes at one point. Salvi was able to evade the majority of Garrity's punches, though, and countered with a few well-timed shots of his own.

Salvi took control of the tempo in the second round of the fight, managing to get on the attack at different points. Salvi used a strong series of both left and right hooks to go back on the attack, driving Garrity into the ropes at one point. Garrity continued to throw several punches, but Salvi largely fended them off.

The final round of the fight belonged to Salvi, as he attacked Garrity with a series of jabs to the face. Salvi knocked Garrity down with a left hook to the head and, after a brief stoppage, put Garrity on the ground again with a headlock.

At this point in the third round, the referee ended the fight and gave Salvi the victory.

**Joey Kim def. Danny Leicht**

Leicht continued, but Kim took control of the fight. He landed his reach against Leicht. Leicht, staying low, tried to get inside his longer reach. Leicht continued to throw hooks. He landed solidly against the ropes and beat him with body shots.

Kim landed a flurry of body shots and Leicht against the ropes, finishing the round strong with a string of jabs. This was not enough for Leicht, but Choe, as impatient as he began the fight, kept watching for an opportunity.

Spittler came back however, landing a resonating uppercut that hit home. Alberdi threw a strong right uppercut that hit home. Alberdi earned the unanimous victory.

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closed out the round with a series of holds. This was the second round proved to be enough for McOsker to earn the unanimous victory.

**158 lbs.**

**Greg Cunningham def. Sean “Dark Side of the Moon” Mul- len**

Senior Greg Cunningham and Sean Mullen took turns trading jabs, keeping each other on their toes. Cunningham's strong jabs ultimately left him with a victory.

The first round began with aggressive starts from both Cunningham and Mullen. It was Cunningham who had the upper hand at the start of the bout, but as Cunningham pushed forward, Mullen seemed to gain control.

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**Jordan “Lights Out” Choe def. Dan Griess**

Senior Jordan Choe got off to a fast start, landing solid punches on sophomore Dan Griess and coming out victorious in the end.

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cornered Luciano twice and landed long combinations, end-
ing the fight.
Seim won in a split decision due in part to his success in close quarters. The win sets up a re-
match of last year’s final with Lally.

142 lbs.
Nick “Bronco” Bortolotti def. Nick Rowek
Senior Nick Bortolotti won meth-
odically in his match against junior Nick Rowek. As the match progressed, Bortolotti improved and adjusted to Rowek’s fighting style.

In the early round, Borto-
lootti used quick combinations to break down Rowek’s guard and back away. Rowek struggled to get close to Bortolotti, turning the match into a defensive battle for Rowek.
Bortolotti landed longer combi-
inations in the second round as he started to move around Rowek’s guard more success-
fully. After Rowek landed a few counters, Bortolotti unloaded huge punches close to the end of the round.

In the third round, Rowek used his reach to finally get to Bor-
tolotti ended the fight with two long series as he backed Rowek into the corner. The last series forced the referee to end the bout in the third round in Bortolotti’s favor.

Will “The Thriller” Peterson def. Jackie Garvin
Will Peterson was victorious against Jackie Garvin, as the battle between the two sopho-

more fighters highlighted their similar fighting styles. The vic-

tory puts Peterson into the finals for the second year in a row.

The fight started slowly with both boxers getting a feel for each other’s styles as they exchanged punches. Late in the round, Pete-

erson landed a few solid punch-
es to pull ahead.
Garvin came back in the next round with a swing in momentum. By controlling the middle of the ring, Garvin forced Pe-
terson to move around. But be-
cause of the movement, Peterson more easily found weak spots in Garvin’s defense and took control of the match.
Early in the third round, Pe-
terson continued to control the match’s pace. Garvin responded by becoming more aggressive and closing in on Peterson. Event-

ually, Peterson used quicker punches in the close quarters.

Peterson’s overall control of the
catch gave him the unanimous decision.

148 lbs.
Ben “Danger Zone” Eichler def. Casey “The Man Beast” Allare
Early success led to a quick vic-
tory for sophomore Ben Eichler over junior Casey Allare. Eichler came out swinging and it paid off in a one-round fight.

Eichler’s early combinations caught Allare off guard. Follow-
ing a first referee pause, Eichler changed gears and unloaded huge punches with the intent of finishing the fight early. After the referee paused the fight three times, he stopped the match and gave Eichler the win by technical knockout.

Kevin “The Commissioner” Ortenzio def. Ryan “Ho-Cro Heart” Power
Seniors Kevin Ortenzio and Ryan Power began their fight throwing lots of punches with the intent of taking the win by knockout. Power started to land a few, but Orten-

zio was quick to dodge and coun-
ter well, ultimately leaving with a victory.

The first round was a toss-
ap, as Power landed a few solid punches but Ortenzio also landed a few strikes of his own.
Power came out strong in the second round. Ortenzio, how-

ever, used Power’s momentum to dodge away and back Power up against the ropes. Ortenzio then gave Power a powerful right jab, causing him to bounce off the ropes. Toward the end of the round, Ortenzio snuck in three solid jabs, causing Power to stumble and have the ref check him out.

The third round continued with Power throwing a lot of punches, but Ortenzio defend-
ed and dodged the majority of them and landed his own. Power seemed to tire with Ortenzio’s constant movement and dodg-
ing, which allowed Ortenzio to land multiple punches before the round ended. The victory was unanimously given to Ortenzio.

154 lbs.
Sunoh “What is this? I don’t” Chaof “Keegan” March
Freshman Sunoh “What is this? I don’t” Chaof “Keegan” March fought to a draw by margins of 9-9 in the first two rounds before losing a decision in the third.

Sophomores Will Peterson and Jackie Garvin trade punches during their fight Tuesday. Peterson won the fight unanimously.

and Butterflies” Somers
Because freshman Keegan Somers suffered from a concus-
sion, the fight was scratched and junior Sunoh Chaof came out vic-
torious.
Junior Sunoh Choe came out vic-
torious.
McOsker combined his aggres-
siveness with accurate punches throughout the round. Hlavaty had success late in the round with counters, but not enough.
In the second round, McOsker landed hard punches and his aggressiveness pushed Hlavaty to the ropes. McOsker’s pure strength was difficult to keep up with, as Hlavaty’s guard started to break down.
The third round started with both boxers landing big hooks, but Hlavaty changed gears and unloaded powerful punches, but as the fight progressed and the fighters grew tired, they

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“Our doubles play has made some pretty solid improvements,” Bayliss said. “I think we really stepped in doubles the last time we played them. We lost all three matches and did not play particularly well in any of the three. Our pairings are much more comfortable playing together than they had been there and that has translated to more successful play.”

Notre Dame was on the winning end of its last four matches and Bayliss said this has helped him acquire a higher level of confidence.
“I feel like we have become a more confident team,” Bayliss said. “Winning has helped our con-
fidence. I always thought that we had a pretty good team and now, I think our guys are starting to believe that as well.”

While the Irish have played in Bloomington before, this trip will be a bit different due to alterations Indiana made to its facility.
“[Indiana] re surfaced its court last summer, so the court is going to be different than the one it used to have there,” Bayliss said. “It may seem little, but for my players, it may be a bit slower than the old court there. Every facility has its own characteristics and this facility is no different. Its lights are a bit dimmer than ours and the seating area is re-
ally close to the court.”

Besides noticing the victory, Bayliss has also noticed a change in doubles.
“I would really like to see our en-
tire lineup play some very good ten-
nis,” he said. “Balance is key for us, so seeing our entire lineup play well would also be ideal. I would also like to see us continue our improvement in doubles, that point is always so critical.”

First serve between the Irish and Hoosiers is scheduled for 2 p.m. to-
day.

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“It’s more consistent from when he came in [as a freshman],” Garnham said. “He did it once as a freshman, after that it has been pretty much a consistent jump.”

Early in his collegiate career, Schipper benefited from the help of his older brother Matt Schip-
per, who won pole vaulting titles at the 2008 indoor championships of 2008 and 2009 and the Big East outdoor cham-
pionships of 2009. In the 2009 Big East indoor championships, Matt Schipper cleared a height of 5.35-meters to deny his younger brother, Kevin Schipper, who won the title.

Before he hands over the reins to his younger brother, Kevin Schip-
per will attempt to take gold in his last title in family. A fair amount of pres-
sure accompanies the task, as the Schipper brothers have claimed the last four conference indoor titles, four of which Kevin has won.

“Normally, people step up—just like when my brother Matt left, I jumped to the next level—Kevin will do the same,” Kevin Schipper said.

Having recently reached eighth place in the Big East indoor championship, David Schipper will attempt to keep near that title in his family. A fair amount of pres-
sure accompanies the task, as the Schipper brothers have claimed the last four conference indoor titles, four of which Kevin has won.

“If I do that, I think that would be pretty close to the most Big East Championships anybody has won, and that is something I would like to do,” he said. “Also, just establishing that Notre Dame is a powerhouse in pole vaulting in the Big East is some-
ting that means a lot.”

The Schipper brothers and the rest of the Irish will host the Alex and Charlene Schipper Invitational this weekend.

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for the last four years,” Chase said. “It’s definitely the best decision I ever made.”

Now that Chase has lived his childhood fantasy as a middle in-
erfield for the Irish, he and his teammates are helping South Bend elementary students develop their own goals through the ‘Dream Team’ project.

“Generally, we go with our team mates, and we work with third and fourth grade classrooms and go in once a week for five weeks, and we essentially have a little curriculum each week,” Chase said.

“We talk about having dreams and having goals and working really hard to attain those goals. “I think it’s very important, because a lot of these kids come from families where they don’t necessarily have parents and the sup-
port isn’t necessarily there, so having Notre Dame athletes and people they look up to coming in and telling them that they can do whatever they want it’s really special, and it’s really an honor to be able to do that.”

Chase and his teammates fol-
lowed the ‘Dream Team’ project by inviting third grade classes from McKinley and Perley Elementary Schools to visit Notre Dame on con-
secutive Friday nights earlier this semester, giving the kids an oppor-
tunity to skate at the new Compton Family Ice Arena one week watch a hockey game from the student sec-
tion the next.

“That was about bringing kids from South Bend to Notre Dame, because some of these kids will never come on the Notre Dame cam-
pus, and just to be able to see what it means to be at Notre Dame puts a picture to what their dreams can be,” Chase said. “It was really successful and we really had a great time.”

Chase also played a large role in organizing the baseball team’s ‘Adopt a Family’ effort, which ultimately raised nearly a thousand dollars to aid a lo-
cal family, and helped recruit 24 student athletes who joined him on a fall break trip to aid in the clean-up of Tuscaloosa, Ala., which was heavily damaged by a tornado last April.

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Despite the early upset over Notre Dame’s success, Cor-
rigan said, “I’ve been watching John Rodgers for the past two years, and Kemp and Notre Dame have a re-
newed focus after the early loss.

“Having had Duke stop us from reaching our goal the past two years has made us realize how hard we need to work and focus week in and week out,” Kemp said.

Notre Dame’s next chal-

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Junior goaltender John Kemp cradles the ball during Notre Dame’s exhibition game against Robert Morris on Feb. 4.

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3  Began a dissertation  32 Physic's never-say-dies TV husband
4  College in New Rochelle, N.Y.  33 Open to suggestion
5  Running behind  36 Coming-clean words
6  What the annual Dove Awards are awarded for  38 Indicators of age and a hint to this puzzle's theme
7  "The Hot Zone" virus  40 Sweet filling in commercial names
8  "Inviting a blessing"  42 Inviting a blessing
9  Game with Ship and Reverse  43 Pundits of the Superbowl, for short
10  Baseball card  44 Drop ______ (start to disturbed, "Newhart"
11  Followers of lambs  50 "Newhart" setting
12  "The Crow" address ___ Ung

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2  Ian who won the 1991 Masters
3  Yet to come
4  Act starstruck, say
5  Words on a jacket
6  Chorus syllables
7  Ear-related
8  Look good on
9  Gets rid of
10  Indian river
11  Sights on alabas
12  President
13  "The Persistence of Memory" and others
14  Name for a bull
15  Wofford
16  Team
17  25 Times or Tobago
18  Chipped in
19  Like telegrams, typically
20  28 Song title for both Fleetwood Mac and Garth
21  52 City of Kyrgyzstan
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23  One at a crime scene
24  Take leggings
25  61 Nair or comedy
26  Place for iodine
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28  66 "Horace!
29  67 Accelerator particles
30  68 Drunkin spree
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Get down to business. You can make a fortune by utilizing your skills and incorporating fried chicken and pizzas. An enterprising and aggressive approach will ensure that you override the competition. Love is in the stars. 3 stars.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Operate as a team player. Share your ideas and bring to your projects. A good and fateful alliance will lead to greater accomplishments. Open up and we press yours in the streets and you will be seen moving in the streets and what you have and what you do in the future. 4 stars.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) Not everyone will be open with you. Before you make a move, you'd be wise to discuss your concerns and interest in potential developments that will over you should someone choose to build information you require to make a decision. 5 stars.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) Take greater interest in what everyone around you is doing and you will avoid missing any important episode. Progressive action regarding your goals and partnerships will encourage growth, goodwill and success. Home improvements will pay off. 4 stars.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Listen, but don’t put too much value in what you said. It's important to maintain your position and to show confidence when dealing with peers. A matter requiring a personal arrangement should be dealt with before it has a chance to escalate. 5 stars.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Travel, learning and expanding your philosophical, religious or psychological awareness will help you get an idea of the importance of your surroundings and what you see and what you do in the future. 4 stars.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Clients will help pave the way to success. You can make your clients grow by improving your awareness and developing your budget. Welcome change and it will give you greater freedom of choice. Love and romance are highlighted. 5 stars.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You can make things happen if you don’t limit the possibilities. Believe in you and your ability to get things done. Keep this in mind and address the situation you face and win support and impress someone tertiarion. 4 stars.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Honesty will be the issue when it comes to friends. Not all your friends will present your reputation and leave you in an awkward position. Open up and in any decision that is being made be based on truth. 3 stars.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Organize your schedule and you will be able to fulfill both personal and professional responsibilities. A noteworthy detail that will advance your home, family and living arrangements is apparent. Clear view of multifaceted romantic encounters. 5 stars.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Keep track of your kids. A new responsibility, including your opinion, will get you into trouble when dealing with friends, relatives or neighbors. Consider your options and you will be less social. 4 stars.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Stick to what you know and the people you are most familiar with in order to reach your goals. A chance to partner with someone from your past will open up to future prospects. Share your thoughts, thoughts and plans for the future. 5 stars.

Birthday Baby: You are aggressive, strong and precocious. You are open, adaptable and practical.

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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Chase fulfills dream by playing for Irish

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Irish senior co-captain Tommy Chase never needed to be sold on Notre Dame — he spent most of his high school years trying to show off his skills for the Notre Dame coaches.

“I was always a huge Notre Dame fan, so I kind of came out and recruited myself,” Chase said. “I came out to the camps and they saw me and they wanted to have me on the team, but they were a little short on scholarship money, so they said that I could come and play as a walk-on, so I didn’t have a scholarship.”

Chase’s plans for his Notre Dame career probably didn’t include the knee surgery that wiped out his sophomore season or a coaching change before his junior year, but even as a walk-on without a scholarship, he knew he made the right choice.

“It’s just been an absolute dream being here,” Chase said.