**Taco Bell, Pizza Hut to replace Sbarro in fall**

By KRISTEN DURBIN

News Editor

When students return to campus for the fall 2012 semester, they will have two new fast-food dining options to choose from in the Huddle Food Court in LaFortune Student Center.

On Monday, Food Services announced its plans to open Taco Bell and Pizza Hut franchise concepts in the current location of Sbarro this fall. The addition of the restaurants will be the first franchise change in the Huddle since 2003, Food Services director David Prentkowski said.

“Taco Bell and Pizza Hut are three reasons for this; the current state of his church in DeBartolo Hall on Tuesday afternoon.

He began his lecture by asking the audience whether or not they believe in miracles. "Do you believe in miracles?" Scully said. "I think miracles happen all the time. The very fabric of life is made up of miracles."

The lecture was divided into three lessons he learned through important experiences in his life. He explained the division was based on his belief that all good things come in threes.

"I’m an intense and unapologetic Trinitarian. I believe not just God, but all good things come in threes," he said.

The first lesson came as a result of his work with local prisoners while a sophomore.

A student browses his options at Sbarro in the LaFortune Student Center on Tuesday. Pizza Hut and Taco Bell will take over the space in the fall.

Professor speaks on miracles in “Last Lecture” series

By CHRISTIAN MYERS

News Writer

Notre Dame, and Fisher Hall in particular, would not be the same without political science professor, Kellogg Institute fellow, Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) co-founder and Fisher resident Fr. Tim Scully.

Scully spoke Tuesday night in the Coleman-Morse Center lounge as part of the “Last Lecture” series.

Porter said he was excited for it, he said.

Prentkowski said the decision to replace Sbarro has been deliberated for the past three years due to the approaching expiration of the franchise’s contract and its decline in business.

“Over the last few years, we saw Sbarro’s business decline, and the overall student satisfaction with and preference for Sbarro as a brand declined as well according to surveys, so we took the upcoming expiration of the franchise agreement as a good opportunity to take a look at our alternatives," Prentkowski said.

Jim LaBella, the general manager of the Huddle, said seeing SBARRO/page 3

Pizza Hut and Taco Bell will take over the space in the fall.

Lecture discusses “Mormon moment”

By ANNA BOARINI

News Writer

Tuesday evening, Dr. Bruce Porter, an elder in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS), gave a lecture arguing there is currently a “Mormon moment.” Porter is a member of the Quorum of 70, an LDS governing body, and titled his lecture “The Latter-Day Saints come marching in: Mormonism abroad and at home in the 21st century.”

“Right now, there is extraordinary media attention given to Mormons both home and abroad,” he said. There are three reasons for this; the candidacy of Mitt Romney, the Broadway musical “The Book of Mormon,” which is a parody of the religion ... and our own media campaign, ‘I am a Mormon’ intended to dispel stereotypes.

The sheer growth of the church and the rising prominence of Latter-day Saints in a wide variety of fields also contribute to the added attention, Porter said.

To begin his talk, Porter explained some of the LDS hierarchy and central beliefs. He dispelled a common myth about the church’s founder, Joseph Smith.

“We recognize him [Joseph Smith] as a fallible mortal and do not in any sense worship him,” he said.

Porter said despite the explosion of growth in the LDS church, Mormons are still very connected.

“Our policies and curriculum originate from church headquarters ... it helps ensure the church remains one unified body,” he said. “We are a close-knit people, we feel strong bonds to other saints across the world. There exists a global Mormon village.”

After explaining some aspects of the church, Porter discussed Mormons and politics.

Two professors named Guggenheim Fellows

By ANN MARIE JAKUBOWSKI

News Writer

In early April, 181 U.S. scholars, artists and scientists were named 2012 Guggenheim Fellows, including two Notre Dame faculty members. Both professors Margot Fassler and Olivia Remie Constable are faculty in the Medieval Studies program.

According to the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation’s website, the award is commonly thought of as a “midcareer” award for candidates who demonstrate notable prior achievement as well as exceptional promise for the future. Recipients this year were selected from a pool of almost 3,000 applicants.

Constable, director of Notre Dame’s Medieval Institute, said her work is centered on the interactions between Christians and Muslims in southern Europe between the 12th and 16th centuries.

"Next year, I will be writing a book on Christian perceptions of Muslims living under Christian rule in southern Europe in a period when Christians had conquered large areas that had once been under Muslim control," Constable said.

The research itself will focus on the relationships between Christians and Muslims, she said.

“I am looking at how this relationship worked, and at seeing FELLOWS/page 6

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Bears interrupt weather report at Pa. TV station

SCRANTON, Pa. — A mama bear and three of her cubs were caught on camera at a northeastern Pennsylvania television station seconds before a live weather report was about to begin. It happened during the 11 p.m. newscast Monday at WNEP-TV in Scranton. The station has a landscaped outdoor area it calls "the backyard" with trees and a water fountain for its weather segments.

Meteorologist Kurt Aaron said he heard something behind him and when he turned around, a black bear was 10 feet away. He said he ran inside and did his report from indoors while a camera continued to show the bear family exploring.

"Beautiful Bulldog" wins contest

DES MOINES, Iowa — Tyson, a beloved English bulldog, doesn’t bite ears like his namesake, boxer Mike Tyson. But he does share a title: champion. The two-year-old pup with the tongue-in-cheek name was crowned the winner of this year’s “Beauti-Bulldog” pageant Monday in Des Moines. Tyson beat out 49 other entries. The two-year-old pup with the tongue-in-cheek name was crowned the winner of this year’s “Beauti-Bulldog” pageant Monday in Des Moines. Tyson beat out 49 other entries. The two-year-old pup with the tongue-in-cheek name was crowned the winner of this year’s “Beauti-Bulldog” pageant Monday in Des Moines. Tyson beat out 49 other entries. Tyson’s first few moments on the throne - about a three-foot square - were happy all the time.”

Additional Information:

- Tyson is a co-ed student who is playing a doubleheader against Seton Hall today from 2 to 6 p.m.
- Student tickets cost $5.
- Sanford Budick, professor of English at The Hebrew University in Jerusalem, will deliver a lecture titled “How Kani, Following Milton, Achieved Actual Experience” today at 5 p.m. in McKeenna Hall with a reception to follow.
- The Notre Dame men’s baseball team takes on Central Michigan today at 5:35 p.m. at the Frank Eck Baseball Stadium. Tickets cost $5.
- A dinner and discussion on “Homelessness and Human Dignity in South Beach” will take place tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Geddes Hall Coffeehouse. The event is free and open to all students and faculty, and a catered dinner will be served.
- Halftime, a co-ed student acapella group, will present their spring concert tonight at 7 p.m. in the Mainstage Auditorium of Washington Hall. Student tickets cost $3.
- To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obnews.nd@gmail.com.
BAVO hosts sexual violence talk

By CHRISTIN KLOSKI
News Writer

The Belles Against Violence Office (BAVO) hosted Dr. Gail Stern, who presented an interactive lecture called “Beat the Blame Game” on Tuesday night. According to a College press release, the presentation helps the audience better recognize forms of sexual violence and discover ways to promote a violence-free community.

Stern said humor can be used when dealing with a sensitive topic. “Irrelevant humor is what helps take a new perspective on a serious topic,” Stern said. “However, it is not good to make fun of rape victims.”

Stern said rape victims face blame from outsiders and are often treated as criminals. “They are acting like ‘bad people,’ and are often treated as ‘bad people,’ even lead to blaming the victim, she said. “People say it is not rape because the victim was slut or a bad person or that the victim was trying to get away from something, wants revenge or wants attention,” Stern said.

Stern said a claim of rape should always be taken seriously. “90 percent of reported cases of rape are not false, and over 80 percent of the victims are raped by someone that they know,” Stern said.

Many cases of rape are by someone the victim knows, so fighting back can be confusing, she said. “When a stranger attacks, we are clear to fight back,” Stern said. “But when it is someone we know attacking, we feel guilty of fighting back.”

Trying to reduce the risk of rape compared to preventing rape is a confusing matter for men, but especially for women, she said. “We are told not to dress provocative, don’t ever be alone with a man, be explicit about your sexual limits, and don’t drink alcohol,” Stern said. “We must see the difference between rape prevention and risk reduction.”

Stern said rape is an act of power, and rapists just do not care who their victim is. “Rape is not wrong because it’s a crime, it’s a crime because it is wrong,” she said.

One way woman can help both reduce their risk and prevent rape is to watch out for each other, Stern said. “The challenge for women should be this,” she said. “We should see everyone as our sister. We need to watch out for them and care for them when we see them in trouble.”

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The presentation consisted of the audience coming up with a list of names for sexually active men and women. “The list for women is always longer than for those of men,” Stern said. “Words feel more like a punch for women, while for men, the names seem positive.”

Stern said the names for sexually active women have always been demeaning. “These names show the dehumanization of a person,” Stern said. “They are shown as objects without asking for consent.”

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When we add Taco Bell, we won’t need the Buen Pr-ovecho burrito stand in the Huddle,” he said. “Our goal is to eventually convert that area to a Panda Express for students.”

Prentkowski said Taco Bell and Pizza Hut will likely be ready for operation close to the start of the 2012-2013 school year, barring any complications due to construction, timing and legal or contractual matters.

“We’re in the beginning stages right now. We’re looking at the physical renovation, training for staff and managers and the legal aspect of franchise agreements and contracts,” he said. “A lot of things have to come together to make it all work, but I don’t see any barrier to getting this done in a reasonable amount of time.”

Student response to the announced changes has been generally favorable, especially in relation to Taco Bell’s arrival on campus.

“When we add Taco Bell, it will be exciting. The addition of Taco Bell would be exciting,” he said. “Our senior year will be forever changed. Taco Bell is my life. It is an incredible improvement. [I] couldn’t have asked for anything better to replace [Sbarro] than Taco Bell.”

Sophomore Patrick Jung, a former Taco Bell employee, said he welcomes the franchise to campus. “I’m extremely excited for there to be a Taco Bell … I personally worked at a Taco Bell back home and love the food there,” he said. “I think they’ll get a ton of business, especially at night … I will spend almost all of my Flex Points there.”

Despite its health drawbacks, junior Emily Hefferon said Taco Bell will be a good fit for the Notre Dame student body. “Obviously, there’s healthier options out there, but this is college,” she said. “As far as popularity and affordability for our age group, this was an excellent choice.”

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New iPad app brings Shakespeare to the 21st century

By MEAGHAN THOMASSEN
News Writer

The app was engineered at Notre Dame’s Center for Research Computing.

The iPad released April 11, was engineered at Notre Dame's Center for Research Computing.

A screenshot shows what the iPad app The Tempest looks like. The app was engineered at Notre Dame's Center for Research Computing.

Elliott Visconsi and his colleague, Katherine Rowe, a professor at Bryn Mawr College, designed an app bringing Shakespeare's plays to the 21st century.

The Tempest, an app emerging from his interactions with the iPad as a platform for teaching and research, was born from a collaborative effort that makes manipulating text possible, allowing social interaction in ways that a laptop does not. It seemed to be an opportunity for students and faculty and the general public to interact [with the text] in new ways,” he said.

Visconsi said the idea for the app emerged from his interactions with the iPad as a platform for teaching and research. Since it made it possible for people to work on collaborative networks, the way that it makes manipulating text possible, allows social interaction in ways that a laptop does not. It seemed to be an opportunity for students and faculty and the general public to interact [with the text] in new ways,” he said.

Visconsi said the app reflects how people learn and read today, and how reading has become more of a social activity than a solitary one.

“The iPad makes it super easy — you can make all those tools quiet, it's customizable and it feels like a book,” he said. “You read it, you throw it around, it's portable. You can use a wireless connection all the time to read.” The app is not a replacement for printed books, Visconsi said, but rather a fundamentally different technology.

“There are things we can do with this platform that you could never do in print. You can't take the printed book and have it play the printed book and have it play the functionality, but [they] are to be released that will add to the functionality, but [they] are under wraps at the moment,” he said.

Visconsi said users can also find illustrations, videos and podcasts from the Folger Shakespeare Library, the largest collection of Shakespearean material in the world.

“We approached Folgers with the idea of a commercial licensing arrangement. They were eager to support that, and we're hoping to continue [with a] long term arrangement,” he said.

The app also allows users to collect and share thoughts in the app's sticky note function. The notes are captured according to user-designated "workshops" or file folders. Users can also download lecturer commentaries to accompany the script.

“This is probably the most popular feature of the iPad you can get your hands on the text,” Visconsi said.

So far, Visconsi said the project team has received very positive responses about the app, and that users should stay alert for updates soon to be announced.

“We are exceeding expectations. We have some very exciting technical developments soon to key you that will add to the functionality, but [they] are under wraps at the moment,” he said.

Visconsi said dozens of scholars worldwide have volunteered to participate in new editions of The Tempest, as well as other plays and humanitarian texts that could be applied to the software framework.

“We are building well beyond Shakespeare. Shakespeare is just the beginning. It’s been a very exciting trip. Notre Dame has been very supportive,” he said.

The app currently costs $9.99 on iTunes, a special discount from $13.99 in honor of Shakespeare’s birthday on April 23.

The app is compatible with the iPad with iOS 5.0 or later.

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Saint Mary’s students redesign Barbies for class assignment

By MEAGHAN DALY
News Writer

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Students in Terri Russ' Female Beauty class outgrew their old toys and look at Barbie in a whole new light.

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The modified Barbies of the Female Beauty class are presented as part of a class assignment. Students were instructed to create a Barbie that accurately reflects an aspect of female beauty.
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more at Notre Dame. Scully explained that the stories of poverty and broken families from these prison- ers revaluated his own upbringing in suburban Illi- nois.

He said the lesson he took away was that life is a gift — and it is meant to be given away in service to others.

Life is little else than gift after gift after gift,” Scully said. “Life is a gift to be given away.”

The death of Scully’s fa-
ter taught him a second im-
portant lesson. He said his father’s death made the fact he would also die more real; this led him to evaluate how he was living his life.

“If it’s true that I will die, how do I want to live?” Scully
said.

The University of Chicago Law School and a legal ca-
nreer were Scully’s dream, he said. However, it was un-
sure whether it would be possible until his senior year at Notre Dame and after he had been accepted to Loyola law school.

Scully said he realized he was looking in the wrong place one night during his senior year at Notre Dame. He was compelled to attend daily Mass at Morrissey Hall. It was af-
ter this experience that he realized his deepest desire and God’s will were directing him toward the priesthood.

He said the miracle of re-
cognition of Christ daily inspired this change of di-
rection, even though he had not been one to attend daily Mass prior to his experience that
night.

If I’m going to Mass every day, I might as well become a priest,” Scully said. “For me, since then, the Eucharist has become a beautiful sustain-
ing miracle in my life.

Scully said the second les-
son he came away with was to pursue the life he desired in his heart without compro-
mising or putting fear into failure. He said there is al-
ways an opportunity to learn from failure.

“Don’t be afraid to take risks and fail, because failure is the stuff of wisdom,” Scully said.

After his theological stud-
ies, Scully was sent to San-
tiago, Chile with the Con-
egregation of Holy Cross. He
said when working in Chile he came across a saying cap-
turing his second lesson of learning from mistakes and respecting one’s mortality.

“In Chile there’s a won-
derful saying. We all die at least twice in life. Pray that your first death comes early enough that you can learn from it. “Scully said.

Scully’s third and final les-
son was that relationships are of the utmost importance in life. “Nothing else matters but the quality of your re-
lationships with God, with each other and with yourself,” Scully said.

Scully learned this lesson through living in Fisher Hall, where he connected with Fr. Richard Warner, superior general of the Congregation of Holy Cross, and through tea-
ching at the University.

“Life is a gift to be given away,” Scully said. “How could you not fall in love with being a teacher?”

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Porter said the 12th ar-
ticle of faith says Mormons believe in being subject to kings, presidents and rulers and honoring and sustain-
ing the law.

“We believe the law and
government holds men ac-
countable,” he said.

The LDS church renounc-
es war and pr o c l a i m s peace, accord-
ing to what Je-
sus said to the
prophet Joseph Smith, said Porter.

“We believe the defense of family and country is jus-
tified, but war is a necessary evil and a last resort,” he
said. “If all people believed what the Church said, the world would be at peace.”

Dr. Bruce Porter
LDS elder

said, it is an issue of what is moral or not moral.

Many of the stances we have taken on political is-
sues are conservative — like abortion or same-gender marriage,” he said. “On the other hand, our stance on illegal immigration is seen as fairly liberal.”

Porter said even though Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney is a Mormon, the church has not and will not endorse him, due to church pol-
ic.

“In this c a m p a i g n like others, the church has taken no position,” he said. “We’ve done noth-
ing whatever to sup-
port Mitt Romney.”

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tive light.

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ly to correct misconceptions about our beliefs … dispel stereotypes and misinforma-
tion about the church,” he said.

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Mad cow disease discovered for first time since 2006

Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The first new case of mad cow disease in the U.S. since 2006 has been discovered in a dairy cow in California, but health officials said Tuesday the animal never was a threat to the nation's food supply.

The atypical form of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), is fatal to cows and can cause a fatal human brain disease in people who eat tainted beef. The World Health Organization has set guidelines that states show that humans cannot be infected by drinking milk from BSE-infected animals.

In the wake of a massive outbreak in Britain that peaked in 1991, the U.S. intensified precautions to keep BSE out of U.S. cattle and the food supply. In other countries, the infection's spread was blamed on farmers adding recycled meat and bone meal from infected cows into cattle feed, so a key U.S. step has been to ban feed containing such material.

Clifford said the California cow is what scientists call an atypical case of BSE, meaning that it didn’t result from infected cattle feed, but from random mutation.

No meat from the cow was bound for the food supply, said John Clifford, the department's chief veterinary officer. "This is really no cause for alarm here with regard to this animal," Clifford told reporters at a hastily convened news conference.

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If yesterday’s code cracking skills were prime, you may not need this silly riddle. My location is ideal for clamping, judging or taking time.

Romney triumphs at primaries, promises “better America”

Associated Press
WASHINGTON — Mitt Romney claimed the fiercely contested Republican presidential nomination Tuesday night with a fistful of primary triumphs, then urged all who struggle in a shaky U.S. economy to “hold on a little longer, a better America begins tonight.”

Eager to turn the political page to the general election, Romney accused President Barack Obama of “false promises and weak leadership.” He declared, “Everywhere I go, Americans are tired of being lied to, and many of those who are fortunate enough to have a job are working harder for less.”

The former Massachusetts governor spoke as he swept primaries in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New York, the first since Rick Santorum conceded the nomination.

“Mitt Romney is going to be the nominee, and I’m going to support the nominee,” the former Pennsylvania senator said on CNN. He added he intended to meet on Wednesday with the winner’s aides.

Romney, speaking to cheering supporters, in New Hampshire, said: “The last few years have been the best Barack Obama can do, but it’s not the best America can do.” He delivered his remarks to a national television audience as well from the state where he won his first primary of the campaign and one of about a dozen states expected to be battlegrounds in the summer and fall campaign for the White House.

Obama campaigned during the day in two others — North Carolina and Colorado — making the case that, however slowly, the economy is growing stronger.

“Our businesses have added more than 4 million jobs over the past two years, but we all know there’s still too many Americans out there looking for work or trying to find a job that pays enough to cover the bills and make the mortgage,” the president said.

“We still have too many folks in the middle class that are searching for that security that started slipping away five years before the recession hit.”

Six months before the election, opinion polls show the economy to be the top issue by far in the race. The same surveys point toward a close contest, with several suggesting a modest advantage for the incumbent.

Obama won the presidency in 2008 in the midst of the worst recession since the Great Depression, and since then economic growth has rebounded slowly and joblessness has receded gradually, although housing prices continue to drop in many areas of the country.

In an indication that Romney was capitalizing on the moment Tuesday night as something of an opening of the general election campaign, his speech included aimed at the millions of voters — non-conservatives and others — who have yet to pay close attention to the race for the White House.

He blended biographical details, an attack on Obama and the promise of a better future, leaving behind his struggle to reassure conservative voters who have been reluctant to swing behind his candidacy.

“As I look around at the millions of Americans without work, the graduates who can’t get a job, the families forced to turn home to an unemployment line, it breaks my heart,” he said. “This does not have to be. It is the result of failed leadership and of a faulty vision.”

Obama, unchallenged for the Democratic nomination, has a head start in organizing, fundraising and other elements of the campaign.

Romney, freed of serious primary competition, announced his own general support for the proposal, even though it appears a GOP-drafted budget in the House envisioned no effort to change the pending increase.

Determined to make up for lost time, Romney has recently accelerated his fundraising.

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He added that if the president's hard-won health care law is fully installed, “government will continue to control half the economy, and we will have effectively ceased to be a free-enterprise society.”

By contrast, he said, “I see an America with a growing middle class, with rising standards of living. I see children even more successful than their parents.”

Santorum offered no endorsement in a televised appearance during the evening but said he expected to meet with Romney in the future, adding he would sit down with the former governor’s aides on Wednesday.

In his remarks, Romney spoke dismissively of Obama's tenure in office.

“Government is at the center of his vision. It dispenses the benefits, borrows what it cannot take and consumes a greater and greater share of the economy,” he said.

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Republican presidential candidate, Mitt Romney, right, and his wife Ann wave to supporters Tuesday in Manchester, N.H.
Draft frenzy out of control

We are one day away from the return of Mel Kiper Jr. and his tub of hair gel, in other words, the annual television spectacle known as the NFL Draft. In 1936, the draft began in a Philadelphia hotel without any media coverage as teams picked from 90 names written on chalk on a blackboard. It wasn’t until 1980 that the draft was televised by a fledgling ESPN.

More recently in 2010, the draft was spread over three days so that the first round could air in primetime on Thursday night. Two networks, ESPN and NFL Network, now provide wall-to-wall coverage.

But the most frustrating part of the draft is the hype leading up to it, from the California omens to the mock drafts (Kiper just released his fourth). Such mock drafts will likely be wrong beyond the first few picks as teams make trades to mess up the projected order.

Also on ESPN, it is hard not to run into Jon Gruden’s “QB Camp” in which he coaches former National Football League quarterbacks in a two-week football knowledge before the rookie had a breakout season with Carolina.

In addition, ESPN analysts debate trivial items such as prospects’ height, 40-yard dash time and percentage of body fat. The star of these athletic traits this year has been Ryan Tannehill.

However, it is sometimes impossible for experts, fans and even NFL scouts and general managers to project a player’s success in a league where the average career spans three and a half years.

Too many factors such as injuries, success or failure, coaching environment, etc. play into whether or not a player is successful. This makes endless draft speculation worthless.

As a Cleveland Browns fan, I knew firsthand that first round picks Tim Couch, Courtney Brown, Kellen Winslow Jr. and even Brady Quinn were all thought to be star NFL players when drafted. However, one of the above factors, which Kiper and crew could not have predicted, resulted in those players failing to meet the hype.

Until now, the Browns have served as the most hopeful point of the Browns season for four straight lost seasons. Considering one playoff appearance since 1994 will do that! Following the draft, the Browns will inevitably lose their first regular season game as they have done 12 out of the past 13 years. Discussion of next year’s draft will soon commence by early December with the team in the basement of the AFC North.

So, when I tune in to find the Browns pick up Alabama running back Trent Richardson at No. 4, I will immediately tune out the talking ESPN heads (at least until the Browns do pick). Instead, I will wait for the real season in September to tell if Richardson and other picks are successes or failures.

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Facebook users should be wary of company’s data mining

Some people are surprised that Facebook and most other popular social media services are companies, for absolutely no cost to any of its 800,000,000 users. Facebook is quite satisfied with the current arrangement. Because today we are living in a modern age in which information has become one of the most valuable commodities of all, enabling companies like Facebook, which deal in the trafficking and archiving of this information, to become incredibly successful.

In fact, Facebook was able to generate $3.2 billion in revenue in 2011 by selling this data, which many people consider to contain somewhat personal information, wholesale to other companies and advertisers. This way, the countless corporations can more easily tap into their targeted consumers (you) and your marketable interests.

It seems somewhat harmless, initially. But every day, millions of Facebook and other social media users share personal, sometimes intimate information, with no guarantee of privacy online is simply a myth.

That, in order to be safe, we’ll have to absolutely abstain from digital communications? That’s a notion our society simply shouldn’t be willing to accept.

It’s also somewhat ironic that while a majority of our society’s population is in an uproar over the government’s attempts to impede upon our collective online privacy, Facebook has been selling our private information to the highest bidder for years without too many people noticing the repercussions.

Most of these same people have never even been aware Facebook has never necessarily been a safe haven for their personal information, but it’s also become apparent Facebook’s information sharing has become much more widespread and complicated than a majority of its everyday users could have ever imagined.

For example, most users have been aware for some time that potential employers constantly scan social networks for information about prospective hires — but it’s also reported that the Internal Revenue Service, United States immigration and others are constantly scanning Facebook’s enormous data archives to track down its eluders.

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Last week I donated my hair to Pantene’s Beautiful Lengths so one lucky cancer patient will someday be able to have a full head of red hair. Going from 8.5 inches to basically 0 is not only scary, but hard to get used to. However, I can already tell the difference. Based on my experience, here are the pros and cons of long hair vs. a shaved head.

**Pros of Long Hair**

You Can Head Bang like a Pro: Have you ever gone to a concert and just felt like headbanging, but it just didn’t feel quite right? It’s because you don’t have hair smacking you in the face on the downbang and then hair flying up on the upbang. Proper head-banging technique requires long hair. It was also a requirement to be a rock god in the ‘80s. The ‘80s really wouldn’t have been the same without all that hair flying around.

Girls Wanting to Play With It: Yes, this truly does happen. The sheer number of times girls asked to French braid my hair was a little scary. It’s like they think it’s their own little play toy that they mix and match into pretty shapes and colors.

Warning: Do not take up anyone’s offer to put your hair into cornrows.

You Might Look Better: You’re an average Joe. Your hair has been short forever. You will never know if long hair might actually make you look better. It has something to do with your face shape (round, diamond, square, cylindrical, Magnum, dreamy, etc.), but that’s not my area of expertise. All I know is that you might actually like it. If you don’t, you can always go back.

**Cons of Long Hair**

High Maintenance: Remember when your parents said you could get a dog, but you had to take care of it? Well this is the exact same thing. If you can put up with it, you might reap the rewards. If not, you might look like a bum.

The Your-Mom-is-Going-to-Try-to-Cut-it-Off-Herself Dilemma: All Moms are programmed to make sure that their child does not do anything crazy. She also wants you to look like a “good boy.” She doesn’t want her son to turn into a “rebel.” If you grow out your hair, she will try to cut it off. It’s in her nature.

**Pros of a Shaved Head**

Manly: Almost the universal sign of a man is a man with short hair. Soldiers have shaved heads, Bruce Willis is bald or maybe you just want to look like Mr. Clean. Either way, short hair exhibits manliness.

Easy and Simple: If you have short hair all you have to do is jump in the shower, put in some shampoo and rinse. After 3 to 4 weeks, you just shave it again. The sheer amount of money saved on haircuts might be worth it.

**Cons of a Shaved Head**

Same Old Same Old: It’s kind of boring. If you have had it short forever, isn’t it time to branch out a bit?

Shapely Noggin: In order to pull off the true shaved head look without looking like a deformed alien, you need a nice shapey head. You can’t afford to have any bumps or asymmetrical features. However, if you’ve got any crazy scars (like myself), you can show them off.

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TV REWIND: 

NICKTOONS

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As part of AnTostal 2012, the Student Union Board will sponsor a screening of five favorite ‘90s Nicktoons tonight at 8 p.m. The Third Eye Blind concert and the continuing popularity of Fruit Roll-Ups as a topic of conversation prove that Notre Dame students still love the ‘90s, and Nickelodeon’s cartoons remain one of the best parts of the decade.

In case you’ve forgotten just why you loved being a kid in the ‘90s, Scene is here to remind you about some of your favorite childhood shows.

“Rugrats”

Long before Stewie Griffin became the most quotable baby in town, the precocious tots on “Rugrats” were having adventures we could only dream of. From finding an Indian Jones-like cave in the backyard to defeating the Meanie of Hamukkah, the “Rugrats” taught us to ask questions, protect our friends and go beyond our own.

“Rocko’s Modern Life”

One of the first in a new string of edgy cartoons on Nickelodeon, “Rocko’s Modern Life” was only the network’s fourth original show, and remains one of the most beloved. Following the antics of Australian ex-pat wallaby Rocko, his cow of a best friend Heffer, a phobic turtle named Filburt and loyal dog Spunky, “Rocko’s Modern Life” again aimed to enchant both kids and their parents alike. The endlessly funny show also taught many that sometimes, social outcasts to imprisoned wild animals, always providing lessons for children and their parents. The Ellis family life, a story of love amidst tragic events and circumstances.

“Hey Arnold!”

Arnold, otherwise known as “football head,” is a wise beyond his years fourth grader dealing with growing up in a hybrid city reminiscent of many of our own. “Hey Arnold!” dealt with topics ranging from heat waves to bullying, social outcasts to imprisoned wild animals, always providing lessons for children and their parents. The Ellis family life, a story of love amidst tragic events and circumstances.

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The star of “She’s the Man,” “What a Girl Wants” and a recent mugshot got her start on Nickelodeon. Amanda Bynes’s success as a cast member of Nickelodeon sketch comedy show “All That” propelled her to starring in a self-titled comedy show, “The Amanda Show.” In it, Bynes stars as a host of quirky characters in recurring sketch- es, lampooning everything from going to bathrooms to “Dawson’s Creek.” “The Amanda Show” launch the careers of fellow Nick stars Drake Bell and Josh Peck as well as current Saturday Night Live cast member Taran Killam, who many remember fondly as Spalding on “Moody’s Point.”

By MARIA FERNANDEZ

Scene Writer

After much excitement and anticipation from “The Notebook” fans, “The Lucky One,” the latest film adaptation of one of Nicholas Sparks’ romantic novels, unfortunately doesn’t deliver.

Starring Zac Efron as U.S. Marine sergeant Logan, the movie is a story of love and loss. “The Lucky One” is far more entertaining than some other Nicholas Sparks’ adaptations such as “Dear John.” However, it will never be “The Notebook.”

It is a good movie to relax and disconnect from your studies and watch the super good-looking Zac Efron take care of dogs and play with Ben, but it does not promise much more than that.

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“THE LUCKY ONE”

Directed by: Scott Hicks

Starring: Zac Efron, Taylor Schilling and Blythe Danner

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The plot begins to unfold when Logan finds a photo of a woman in the ground while at war in Iraq. The photo saves him from various enemy raids and he is, therefore, determined to find the woman in the picture and thank her.

Coming back from war, Logan discovers the woman on the picture is Beth (Taylor Schilling) and manages to get a job at the dog kennel she runs with her grandmother (Blythe Danner).

Beth has a lot of family turmoil. She lost her parents at a young age, is mourning the recent death of her brother at war, has a seven-year-old son Ben and becomes part of their family.

Overall, “The Lucky One” displays great images and scenes. It is set in a small town with a beautiful natural setting and atmosphere. However, the film lacks dialogue among characters.

Logan and Beth’s conversations are far from what a regular exchange between two people that are getting to know each other would look like. They are filled with profound stories and silence.

The movie’s plot and character development takes place fast — too fast. At first, Beth disapproves Logan, but the next day they are all over each other. Also, after discovering Logan’s secret, Beth tells him she doesn’t want to see him ever again. Yet, two days later, the movie concludes with a happy ending.

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Another Disappointing Nicholas Sparks Adaptation

“Rugrats”

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Lakers forward Metta World Peace bounded down the lane, used two sweeping steps to slide between defenders, rose up and threw down a dunk in the sec- ond quarter of Sunday’s game against the Thunder. It was a good play but not a great one. On a Sports Authority-inspired ranking system, it was closer to “dunk you very much!” than “ri- dink-ulous.”

But that didn’t stop the player formerly known as Ron Artest from celebrating. The former star traded for a week ago once again displayed of self-promotion that turned into a damning display of self-deprecation.

Halfway through a Tarzan-inspired slow dance, Metta took exception to Oklahoma City fans’ self-depreciation. He turned into a damning display of self-promotion that from celebrating. The former rap ranking ter-inspired one. On a great play, he left the Thunder with a severely unfortunate event. How is basketball’s fan base supposed to trust him to represent its already-suffering playoff prospects?

For a player whose antics, both on the court and off, have been so consistent, why is the NBA supposed to turn a blind eye in front of the Thunder with a severely unfortunate event. How is basketball’s fan base supposed to trust him to represent its already-suffering playoff prospects?

Perhaps, with the swing of his elbow, Metta World Peace was taking an inspired but errant shot at the devil that has clung to his shoulder for the past several years. Unfortu- nately for all of us, the New York native will have to swing a lot harder (and preferably not when anyone’s cranium is within swinging range) to rid himself of that demon.

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Bubba Watson waves after putting on his green jacket after winning the Masters golf tournament following a sudden death playoff April 8 in Augusta, Ga.

Associated Press

Masters champion Bubba Watson returned home from a media tour in New York two weeks ago and hung his green jacket in the closet.

He hasn’t seen it since.

Life has been moving at a faster pace than Watson imag- ined since he hooked that sand wedge off the pine straw, around the trees and onto the 10th green at Augusta National to win a sudden-death playoff over Louis Oosthuizen and cap- ture his first major.

He and his wife, Angie, ad- opted a month-old boy named Caleb just two weeks before the Masters. His first act as Masters champion was to cradle the boy the next morning and feed him from the bottle, before leaving the next day for his media tour. As for changing diapers? That’s coming along at a slightly slower pace.

“Not that I have a count, but it’s only five I’ve changed,” Wat- son said. “And they’ve been easy to change.”

So much has changed in one month. A new father. A major champion. And two weeks after his green jacket to the world, he lost his green jacket last weekend. Where is it? “I saw it, and I go, ‘Where, I’m pretty good! That’s how it all went down.”

His win was popular for sev- eral reasons, not the least of which was a guy named Bubba who chose to golf and is similar to so many regular folk. His late father taught him how to grip a golf club and the fundamentals of the swing, and Watson took it from there. He has never had a teacher, preferring to figure it out by himself. He was groomed on public courses and would much rather play golf than beat balls on the practice range or stare into a video to figure out his swing.

Five years ago, the Masters champion was Zach Johnson, who described himself as a “nor- mal guy” from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

“I’m just Bubba from Bigguld, Florida,” Watson said. “Small town, play golf because I love the game of golf. I play golf because it’s fun. Everybody can see that my swing is homogenated. That means everybody has a chance to do it. Hard work, dedication, practice and the drive to do it, and not worry about what other people say.”

There have been changes typi- cal of any newfound stardom. Watson said a radio station called him about 40 times the morning after he won the Masters. The first job for Watson’s agent, Jess Beck, was to change the cell phone number of him and his wife. And while the last two weeks have been mostly about his new family, it didn’t take long to realize he gets to play the Masters the rest of his career, with a few extra privileges as the champion.

“I think there’s a new rule where I can take a guest, play Sunday before the Masters,” he said. “My wife said that she will be glad to play Sunday before the Masters next year. That’s when I realized that every year I get to take a guest. I’ll have a bunch of new friends. My cell phone num- ber will be changed many times.”

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NEW ORLEANS — While state police and the FBI started a wiretapping probe into the Saints and general manager Mickey Loomis, assistant head coach Joe Vitt called allegations that Loomis had his Superdome booth wired so he could listen to opposing coaches “ludicrous.”

“It’s absolutely ludicrous. It’s impossible,” Vitt said Tuesday. "I’ve never heard of it before. That’s something from ‘Star Wars.’ When I first heard something about it being a wiretap, I thought they were talking about Sammy ‘the Bull’ Gravano or something. I didn’t even know what they were talking about."

... and then to associate Mickey with that? That’s irresponsible. It’s a shame.

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The statute of limitations for federal wiretapping crimes is generally five years.

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Chelsea forward Fernando Torres jumps over Barcelona goalie Victor Valdes in a 2-2 tie Tuesday at the Camp Nou.

Chelsea eliminates Barcelona in upset

NHL

Rangers prepare for Game 7 test

Associated Press

NEW YORK – Just as finishing with the Eastern Conference’s best regular-season doesn’t mean anything once the playoffs start, the New York Rangers are well aware that no one will remember their elimination-avoiding victory in Ottawa if they don’t finish off the Senators at home in Game 7.

With a two-day break before the deciding game in the back-and-forth round series, the top-seeded Rangers took the day off Tuesday after staying alive with a stirring 3-2 comeback victory on Monday.

The contentious matchup will be decided on Thursday night.

History has swung a bit back in the Rangers’ favor. The Broadway Blueshirts are 3-0 in Game 7s played at home, including a pair in 1994 when they advanced to the finals with a double-overtime victory over New Jersey, and the Stanley Cup clincher against Vancouver that ended 54 years of waiting for a championship.

The Rangers are more than happy to have parallels to the special season of 1994. That Eastern Conference finals win over New Jersey 18 years ago marked the only time New York ralied from a 3-1 series deficit and it trailed 3-2 — the same deficit the Rangers are looking to erase against the Senators. It has also been that long since the Rangers had a Game 7 in Madison Square Garden.

“Our thought is to win it,’’ Rangers coach John Tortorella said Tuesday during a conference call. “As far as there not being a Game 7 at Madison Square Garden since 1994, it doesn’t affect us. We’re going into a Game 7 with an opportunity of winning Game 7, and that’s all we’re concerned about.’’

The Rangers are 3-5 overall in Game 7s, but their wins have all come in the past four they have played. New York lost in the final game of its first-round series against Washington in 2009 — the Rangers’ most recent Game 7.

Ottawa is 0-4 in Game 7s, but the Senators have had success in New York this season. They played at Madison Square Garden, including 2-1 in this series.

“I think it’s good for us. We’ve been better on the road,’’ Senators captain Daniel Alfredsson told The Canadian Press on Monday. “We obviously know that they’re going to come out (out) hard. I think they played a more aggressive game than we did (Monday). I think we got up, we played well and we were a little bit passive.’’

Ottawa jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first period of Game 6, and seemed poised to keep the Rangers off the board for the second straight game until New York got its power play going in the second period. The Senators used it to score two of their three goals in a span of 10:24 of the middle frame.

The Rangers had gone 145 minutes, 27 seconds over three games without scoring against goalie Craig Anderson before breaking through.

“It doesn’t surprise me,’’ Tortorella said of the Rangers’ resilient play. “It’s an obvious play. It has responded all year long. A lot of our game throughout this series has been very good. We just have not found a way to make a big offensive play at a key time. Right now it has just gone against our business. That’s the way we’ll approach Game 7.’’

The Senators complained about a questionable goalie interference call on Nick Foligno that gave the Rangers a 3-on-2 advantage that led to New York’s second goal.

The Rangers had disputes of their own starting with a roughing penalty to Mike Rupp in the first period that created the power play that produced the Senators’ first goal. The bigger gripe for New York — the Senators were left with only four skaters after Ottawa scored to make it 3-2. The Rangers believe the goal shouldn’t have counted because goalie Henrik Lundqvist didn’t make eye contact with, and they contended that prime agitator Chris Neil kicked the puck into the net.

Lundqvist still fumed after the game and made remarks that could land him in trouble with the NHL.

“Anybody who is a complete joke,’’ Lundqvist said after his 25-save performance. “When it’s such a special game with a Stanley Cup- 

ence call. “As far as there not going to be a Game 7 in Madison Square Garden. That’s all we’re concerned about. That’s it. Just unbelievable. It still upsets me, because we have this game, and then they get a chance.

Someone wants them back in the game, obviously, because there’s no other explanation.’’

For at least the third time in the playoffs, the Rangers are looking into an act that could result in further punishment.

Rangers rookie Carl Hagelin returned Monday from a three-game suspension for his elbow to Alfredsson’s head in Game 2. New York coach John Tortorella outlined for his Game 5 hit that gave 6-foot-7 New York forward Brian Boyle a concussion that forced him to miss Game 6, and now the league is believed to be reviewing the Senators’ visit to Ottawa during the Rangers’ 5-2 victory in Game 2.

Neil, who has been fined $50,000 this season for critical remarks directed at the Rangers, was given a minor penalty for kicking defender Dan Girardi in the head and received a misconduct.

For the second time in two weeks, Chelsea withstood a never-ending onslaught from the Span-

ish powerhouse and displayed ruthless efficiency when rare opportunities finally presented themselves.

“It’s a historical night for the club, I believe we deserve to be in the final,’’ said Chelsea’s interim manager Roberto Di Matteo, whose team will face either Bayern Munich or Real Madrid in the May 19 final at Munich’s Allianz Arena. “We had a difficult season, but we seem to always get something special out when we need to. That’s part of the DNA of these players.’’

For Barcelona, the result could mark the end of one of the most successful spells in club soccer history. The team was looking for a third Champions League title in four seasons, and this loss came right on the heels of a 2-1 defeat to Real Madrid that all but ended its hopes of a fourth straight league crown.

With coach Pep Guardiola yet to confirm how his team will line up for the final, the result could also mean a Chelsea playoff spot in 2008, and gives owner Roman Abramovich another chance to finally capture the elu-

tive title in Europe’s premier club competition.

Sergio Busquets and Andres Iniesta put Barcelona up 2-0 by the 44th minute as the Spanish club again dominated possession from the start — owning 73 percent of the first 45 minutes of play. In between those goals, Terry was given a straight red card by referee Bastian. Terry walked off the field into the back of Alexis Sanchez, making a Chelsea rally look even more unlikely.

“Terry didn’t do anything. He’s going down 2-0 and having captain John Terry sent off for a foul in the first half. But Rangers’ stunning lab night before halftime gave the advantage back to the Blues on away goals, and Barca never found a way to recover after the break. After Messi blasted a penalty kick against the crossbar and hit the post with another shot, substitute Fernando Torres scored in injury time to make it 3-2 on ag-

ggregate and ensure that Chelsea advanced.

While Chelsea’s players celebrated, Messi trudged off the field with his head buried in his shirt.

“We’re here because of this kid,’’Guardiola said. “I have no doubt he’s going through a bad moment. That’s the sad thing about this sport is that these things exist.’’

For Chelsea, this was the crowning achievement in a re-

markable and improbable run around led by di Matteo, who has guided his team to a Europa League final for the first time in the club’s 108-year history.

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With a team score of 910, the Irish finished one stroke behind South Florida. “It is incredibly disappointing the way it happened,” Irish coach Susan Holt said. “We just didn’t get it done. I can’t think of a worse way to lose. To be so close and come up one shot short.”

Senior Becca Huffer and sophomore Kristina Nhim were right behind Armstrong in fifth and sixth place with total scores of 225 and 229 respectively. 

Going into the final round, the Bulls were up six strokes and were barely able to hold off the surging Irish. Holt said the second round contributed to coming up short in the final round. “We didn’t finish well and we lost five shots in the last two holes,” Holt said. “We could have gone in one down but instead we started the third round six down.”

Holt said the final round consisted of sloppy and careless play. “We had four putts and three putts and that should not happen,” Holt said. “We really needed every opportunity to stay in it and they took advantage of it.”

In coming up short, Notre Dame missed out on an automatic bid to the NCAA championship. Now, the Irish must wait for a call from the NCAA about if they will be competing in the tournament.

“We hope we will make the NCAA tournament,” Holt said. “I feel like we’re closer to being in than out but we certainly did this to ourselves. There wouldn’t be any anticipation if we had got it done. We will keep practicing this week and wait for our call for the tournament on Monday from the selection committee.”

If the Irish make the NCAA championship, they will compete at the Vanderbilt Legends golf course in Franklin, Tenn., on May 23.

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ries. A Cincinnati pitcher plunked sophomore first baseman Trey Mancini on the wrist early in Notre Dame’s 10-9 win over the Bearcats (13-7, 2-13) on April 13, but Mancini returned to the lineup for the Georgetown series. “Trey is something that we’ll continue to manage and keep our eye on,” Aoki said. “It’s just a good regional game against a team that’s usually a really good team out of the Mid-American Conference,” Aoki said. “We just have to play well all around. We’ve won five of our last six, so it would be nice to make it six in a row and give us a little momentum heading into an important weekend.”

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Ganeff said while Michigan State (11-14) is typically a tough opponent, the Irish (27-13) were able to shut the Spartans’ bats down early. “They came out and were taking hacks offensively,” Ganeff said. “They were trying to put things together, but we really just got them out once we scored those six runs. They were always playing catch-up after that.”

Overall, the Irish clocked eight hits and one committed error. Notre Dame will look to continue its winning streak Wednesday with a dou- bleheader against Seton Hall (20-25). “They’re a middle-of-the-pack team in the Big East,” Ganeff said. “They’re one of those programs that if you go in with the attitude that you’re going to beat them, that’s when they beat you. Defensively, we can’t afford to give them any kind of wiggle room.”

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On the sideline, Corrigan relies on Byrne to be focused on the deficit of the 100 percent play of the game, as well as being the instructor in practice. "He's a great public teacher," Corrigan said. "He's a great motivator. He's done a terrific job since the day he arrived here.

The Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association honored Byrne's leadership at the end of last season with the National Assistant Coach of the Year award.

Because of its strong focus on team defense, Notre Dame has developed a culture that has spread throughout the team. It is a system passed down from class to class, and it is here to stay. "Now we've got a thing in place where our older guys help teach our younger guys," Corrigan said. "We have disciples of the way we want to do things in our program. You have that, you have guys being supportive and instructed by our team and us as well as your coaches."

Notre Dame's defense will be put to the test Saturday when the Irish square off against Big East rival No. 17 Syracuse (7-6, 2-3), with a chance to go undefeated in the Big East for the second straight season. The game starts at 5:30 p.m. in Ault Field and will be aired on ESPNU.

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consists of players from different basketball backgrounds. Said Byrne, "I think it's the best thing that has ever happened on this team." Byrne said playing out of place Wednesday afternoon. It brings together many different segments of the population, and it is a completely different group of people," Byrne said.

"I am the only one who was on the team last year, so it is a completely different group of guys," Rompf said. "This year seems like it's a whole new season."

The team consists of two first-year, one second-year, one third-year, one fourth-year, and one fifth-year player, which has opened up the field of competition to unranked competitors. One team that is trying to avoid an upset is the current No. 2 ranked Irish, who have swept their first 15 games and will face off Saturday with No. 5 ranked Vanderbilt and Georgetown. 

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"We're going to have to contain their offense that averages some of the most points in the conference," Halfpenny said. "It's a point at 51 games, a mark she halfpenny said this year's competition is a SYSTEM passed down from class to class. "We have guys that have a understanding of the game," Halfpenny said. "They run an outstanding defense, and they're incredibly athletic. The key to that is ball movement and attacking them in their own style."

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"Our offense has to do a good job of moving the ball," Halfpenny said. "They run an outstanding defense, and they're incredibly athletic. The key to that is ball movement and attacking them in their own style."

The Irish offense will be powered by senior attack Maggie Tamasitis, who ranks second nationally with 50 assists. Tamasitis is currently tied for the Notre Dame school record for most consecutive games with a point at 97 games, a mark she shares with 2008 alum Caitlin McKinney.

Halfpenny said Tamasitis will play a major role in the offense's flow, but she mentioned the Irish will need contributions from more unheralded team members to defeat the Wildcats.

"Obviously, Maggie Tamasitis has been a key to our success, and we've continued to have the ball go through her hands as much as possible," Halfpenny said. "When you're playing a team as athletic as Northwestern, it's not just your No. 1 and No. 2 kids showing up — it's all of them. The beauty of that is that's how we've been playing all year long."

The Irish will look to pull off the upset of the top-ranked Wildcats when they face off tonight at 8 p.m.

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**Senior attack Maggie Tamasitis moves past a Villanova defender during Notre Dame's 18-5 victory over the Wildcats on April 18.**

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**Backstage**

Led by senior defensemen Kevin Randall, the Irish have brought into the system developed by Corrigan and assistant coach Gerry Byrne. Randall displays the epitome of the style of play Corrigan and Byrne expect out of their players. (Randall's ability to remain disciplined and stay focused throughout the possession and the game. I think, is unique," Corrigan said. "It's his own ability to play the way we want to play.)

On the sideline, Corrigan relies on Byrne to be focused on the deficit of the 100 percent play of the game, as well as being the instructor in practice. "He's a great public teacher," Corrigan said. "He's a great motivator. He's done a terrific job since the day he arrived here.

The Intercollegiate Men's Lacrosse Coaches Association honored Byrne's leadership at the end of last season with the National Assistant Coach of the Year award.

Because of its strong focus on team defense, Notre Dame has developed a culture that has spread throughout the team. It is a system passed down from class to class, and it is here to stay. "Now we've got a thing in place where our older guys help teach our younger guys," Corrigan said. "We have disciples of the way we want to do things in our program. You have that, you have guys being supportive and instructed by their team members as well as your coaches."

Notre Dame's defense will be put to the test Saturday when the Irish square off against Big East rival No. 17 Syracuse (7-6, 2-3), with a chance to go undefeated in the Big East for the second straight season. The game starts at 5:30 p.m. in Ault Field and will be aired on ESPNU.

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**Men’s Lacrosse**

**Leading from the back**

By MATTHEW ROBISON  
Sports Writer

For many lacrosse teams, one of the keys to defensive success is the ability to have a defensive system that makes teams beat two or three players before getting a shot on goal. “We feel like the timing is there. That keeps our defense on an even keel.”

- John’s been outstanding,” Corrigan said. “He’s very comfortable with our defense and with the things that we give up. He just makes unbelievable saves across the board, or what’s going on. He just kind of moves bad. He just kind of moves his demeanor is perfect for his position,” Corrigan said. “He’s not really concerned about Kemp’s position — reflexes and the ability to read shots out of the stick.”

Beyond Kemp’s positioning, Corrigan said his goalkeeper’s most important attribute is his calming presence. “Mostly, I think it’s just that his demeanor is perfect for his position,” Corrigan said. “He never gets too excited with things, good or bad. He just kind of moves the next play and keeps an even keel. So it doesn’t matter whether we’re up or down, or what’s going on. He’s always the same back there. That keeps our defense on an even keel.”

**Women’s Lacrosse**

Irish face top-ranked Wildcaats on the road

By BRIAN HARTNETT  
Sports Writer

In the last week, Notre Dame has added two notable victories to its resume, defeating then-No. 18 Vanderbilt on April 18 and then-No. 12 Georgetown on Saturday.

It’s reward for these wins will be a midweek visit to Evanston, Ill., to take on No. 1 Northwestern and then Northwestern on April 26.

The Irish (12-2, 5-2 Big East) come into the contest riding a four-game winning streak, where they have outscored their opponents 53-31. In addition to their offensive prowess, the Irish have been bolstered by a strong defensive unit, which held Georgetown to a season-low output of six goals.

Irish coach Christine Halfpenny said she believes the matchup with Northwestern (14-4, 4-1 ALC) comes at an opportune time for the Irish. “We feel like the timing is good.” Halfpenny said. “We’re coming off two great games that built some confidence.”

Confidence will be crucial for the Irish heading into their showdown with the Wildcats, a team they have not defeated since April 26, 2003. Since then, the Wildcats have reeled off 11 consecutive wins against the Irish, including three in the NCAA tournament, and have captured six national championships.

This year’s Wildcats look to be as strong as their predecessors, as they have held the top-ranked spot the entire season. The Wildcats started the season with 14 consecutive wins, but came into the game fresh off their first defeat, an 8-7 loss to No. 3 Florida on Saturday. Halfpenny said Northwestern’s loss had no effect on her team’s preparation for the game. “We’re not really concerned about Northwestern,” Halfpenny said. “They’re a good team, and we have to beat them. We have to set the tone early.”

**Baseball**

Ternowchek gets ball for Western Michigan

By VICKY JACOBSEN  
Sports Writer

The Irish seek to keep the heat turned up as they take on Central Michigan on Wednesday in a mid-week matchup.

Although the Irish (22-16, 9-6 Big East) went through a rough patch in early April, they head into the contest on a hot streak after sweeping Georgetown (18-21, 5-10) on the road last weekend and taking two of three from Cincinnati the weekend before that.

“I think they’ll feel better about themselves, and they should,” Irish coach Mik Aoki said. “We made some mistakes here and there that we need to talk about, obviously. Overall I think our guys played pretty well. They did a good job.”

Freshman right-hander Matt Ternowchek will get the start for the second time this season. Ternowchek has a 3.15 ERA and a 3-1 record in 14 appearances this year.

Aoki said his managing decisions will not be limited by injury.

**Women’s Golf**

Armstrong captures Big East championship

By ISAAC LORTON  
Sports Writer

After 54 holes of golf and three playoff holes, freshman Ashley Armstrong came out on top of her sudden-death playoff with Louis-ville freshman Emily Haas as the Big East champion.

The third round ended with Armstrong and Haas tied with an overall score of 223. In the first playoff hole, Armstrong had a bad first drive, but was able to come back and match Haas’ bogey. The second playoff hole ended with both players ring scoring par before Armstrong took the tournament title with a birdie on the third playoff hole.

As a team, however, Notre Dame fell just short of consecutive Big East titles. Armstrong had mixed feelings about the tournament victory. “It hasn’t really hit yet,” Armstrong said. “Obviously I would have rather had the team win because that’s...”

**Bookstore Basketball**

Tournament enters round of 16

By BRENDAN BELL  
Sports Writer

Now in its 40th year running, Bookstore Basketball has proven the test of time. As co-president of Bookstore Basketball, Garrett Quinn said the tournament has continued to have high participation in recent years due to its ability to attract all types of players.

“It has been pretty consistent in the last few years, and we have been around the 700-team range,” Quinn said. “I know we have always had a good tournament with steady involvement, whether people are looking to have fun or take it seriously, it appeals to everyone. The program’s missions span beyond Notre Dame’s campus as the tournament’s proceeds go directly to the JumpBailt organization, which is a program in Jamaica that provides youth a positive atmosphere to learn basketball.”

“IT is a summer camp for kids there, and gets them involved in sports.” Quinn said. “Every year we send two of our commissioners down there. Co-president Bobby Curley went down this past...”

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