Declan Sullivan Memorial Fund helps youth

Sullivan family selects Horizons for Youth foundation as beneficiary for memorial fund

By MEGAN DOYLE Managing Editor

Jocelyn Emari. Alexander. DeJon. Micah. Sophia. These children are just six students at the Chicago non-profit Horizons for Youth, which provides need-based scholarships, long-term one-on-one mentoring and enrichment programs to area children. These children are just six students among Declan’s 40, a group of new students admitted to the Horizons for Youth program because of support from the Declan Drumm Sullivan Memorial Fund.

Declan Sullivan died October 27, 2010, after a video tower from which he was filming football practice fell. He was double-majoring in marketing and Film, Television and Theatre, and was a student videographer for the football team. Saturday marked the second anniversary of his death.

Barry Sullivan, Declan’s father, said the family wanted to put the outpouring of donations they received after his son’s death to good use in their community. The Sullivan family established the Declan Drumm Sullivan Memorial Fund and chose Horizons for Youth as its primary beneficiary last year.

“This was a kind of generosity, it caught us off guard,” Barry said. “We sat down and we talked about the things that mattered to us as a family and the things that we knew were important to Declan, and we came up with a set of criteria for a memorial fund. It included education, supporting the local community, things that would have an immediate impact in the local community.”

Election ads slam candidates

By MADDIE DALY News Writer

With the election right around the corner, it is impossible to turn on the television without seeing political campaign ads that often slam the opponent and provide little, if any, significant information.

Marketing professor Joe Urbany said this election’s ads are especially ineffective and confusing for voters.

“Negative advertising has an impact because it stands out from our natural tendency to view people in a positive light,” he said.

“Voters are confronted with a firestorm of contentious ads, each followed by an immediate and aggressive denial, almost all of it devoid of evidence.”

The candidates spent exceptional amounts of money on ads that hardly hold real information and potentially lessen the quality of the campaign, Urbany said. They do not add much to a campaign and have not substantially helped either party.

“The irony this year — with estimates of [more than] 80 percent of both parties’ budgets spent on negative messages about the opponent — is that neither ad campaign stands out,” he said. “It’s become like a prisoner’s dilemma in game theory. Each campaign has gone progressively more negative, only to be matched by the other. The ad campaigns are cancelling each other out.”

Voters receive mixed messages from the ads that may even contain false information, Urbany said.

“It is impossible to distinguish fact from conjecture from fiction,” Urbany said.

Although it is common for politicians to speak in vague terms, Urbany said it is important for voters to watch out for your friends and anyone,” the email stated. “Being aware of your own safety and watching out for your friends are important steps you can take to mental incapacity.” The definition is legally established by federal law, cited in the email as the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics or the Clery Act.

The incident, which was reported to NDSP on Saturday, occurred in a building on the north side of campus where a student-sponsored event was taking place, the email stated.

“Forcible fondling … and other sexual assaults can happen to anyone,” the email stated. “Being aware of your own safety and watching out for your friends are important steps you can take to...”
What is one word to describe the ND vs. Oklahoma game?

**Morgan Hankamer**  
Sophomore  |  Pasquella West Hall  
— Epic —

**Dennis Lee**  
Freshman  |  Keenan Hall  
— Divine —

**Anna Ruggirello**  
Senior  |  Lyons Hall  
— Relevant —

**Jumi Cadmus**  
Junior  |  McGlinn Hall  
— Magical —

**Devin Velasco**  
Freshman  |  Dillon Hall  
— Te’o —

**Patrick Meade**  
Sophomore  |  Carroll Hall  
— Electrifying —
Students intern in fashion

By BRIDGET FEENEY
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Sometimes work can be more than just tedious — perhaps even fashionable. Senior Miranda Peretti’s internship this year serves as a learning experience and a fun activity that allows her to explore her interests in the fashion industry.

Peretti interned with Rent the Runway, an online company that allows customers to rent designer dresses and accessories for a fraction of the price. The company attracted her because of its unique method for girls to switch up their wardrobe frequently, Peretti said.

“She delivered to your doorstep for a fraction of the price,” she said.

According to the company’s website, Rent the Runway offers high-quality products and individual customer service to each girl who rents a dress or accessory, because “users benefit from the expertise of professional stylists and the shared wisdom of like-minded fashion-forward members.”

Peretti became involved with Rent the Runway after a conversation with Saint Mary’s graduate and fellow Rent the Runway intern Brenna Lasky. After applying online, Peretti was selected and began work right away.

“It began as the marketing rep this year, but became co-manager when one of our other co-managers stepped down,” she said. “Brenna brought Rent the Runway to SMC last year and started our on-campus team. She also interned at the corporate office in New York this summer.”

Peretti and her co-manager, senior Katie Thompson, oversee the promotion of Rent the Runway through various events at Saint Mary’s. They are responsible for encouraging students to sign up to be members and borrow from Rent the Runway. The pair manages a team of five interns who brainstorm ways to increase business.

“We are the go-to people for team communication and also provide direction and leadership,” Peretti said. “We also relay information from corporate in relation to goals for the month.”

Peretti, this internship is a great way to gain experience in the professional world, but also to work in the fashion industry.

“My favorite part about Rent the Runway is it combines two of my favorite topics, business and fashion,” she said. “I love getting the update emails of upcoming trends and new dresses and accessories that are available.”

Despite her love of fashion and business, Peretti said there are still some obstacles. Thompson and their team of interns must overcome in order to ensure the company goals are met.

“Our biggest challenge is advertising,” she said. “We have to be creative to grab girls’ attention, but we must still comply with Saint Mary’s rules.”

Regardless of any difficulties, Peretti said she is looking forward to the events she and Thompson have planned for this year.

“We plan on having several events on campus this year, including tabling, trunk shows and a fashion show,” she said. “Trunk shows allow girls to try on various dresses while tabling helps to spread the word about the company.”

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CLC discusses diversity, inclusion

By CAROLYN HUTYRA
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Dr. G. David Moss, a senior consultant in the Office of Student Affairs, updated Campus Life Council at its Friday afternoon meeting on progress in the department.

Moss said there is currently confusion on how to report acts of discrimination on campus, and his office is working on a one-place stop to report issues of “harassment, discrimination, sexual violence, sexual assault and sexual misconduct.”

“We are hoping to have that in place this academic year,” he said.

The Office of Student Affairs highighted diversity for staff this year, and the department required additional diversity training for hall staff and multicultural commissioners. Moss said the First Year of Studies office also used training videos for first-year faculty members.

“Iris [Outlaw, director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services] has created a video that we can use to facilitate discussion,” he said. “That will be the cornerstone of our work with residence halls and residence hall staff.”

The video, coupled with engaging conversation, is necessary to improve upon the University’s acceptance of diversity, Moss said.

“We want to celebrate diversity, but we don’t want to do it in such a way that it creates wedges between people,” Morrissey Manor rector Fr. Ron Vierling said. “I think we need to do a better job of preaching Catholic Social Justice based upon the first principle, which is human dignity.”

One way to build up human dignity is through the residence hall staff, Moss said.

In order to accomplish this, Outlaw said the University should consider revamping its resident assistant selection process.

“Some institutions have a class that their [resident assistants] have to go through,” she said. “Four to five hundred students apply, but they have to go through a semester-long course or a six-week course.”

Such a class would help diverse students from using the position as a resume builder, Outlaw said. Also, chosen resident assistants would form diversity programs during the class that they could implement in their dorms during the academic year.

Moss also discussed Student Affairs Office has already taken steps toward this goal, most recently by reviewing the websites of 70 departments and halls to make sure their online presences appear inclusive.

Moss is scheduled to attend an upcoming Undergraduate Studies Council to discuss implementing a statement on all course syllabi that demonstrates the University’s commitment to diversity. The clause would read similar to the sentence, “This class values inclusivity and diversity.”

The office is also looking into the establishment of a new course, “Introduction to Cultural Competency,” that may be required for all incoming freshmen in the future. Moss said. The class is currently going through a pilot stage with nineteen incoming freshmen.

Outlaw also said he wants to create more interest on the topic, and his office is looking for any opportunities to help progress the message of diversity.

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Police

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reduce the risk of sexual assault.

Information about sexual assault prevention and resources for survivors of sexual assault is available from NDSP and the Committee for Sexual Assault Prevention online. To report a crime in progress, suspicious activity or another emergency, dial 911 from any campus phone or 574-631-5555 from a cell phone.

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Dining halls join meatless campaign

Office of Sustainability sponsors national program to promote healthy eating, nutritional awareness

By CLAIRE BRADY
News Writer

Today marks the second week of Notre Dame Food Services’ participation in Meatless Mondays, a nationwide campaign to encourage healthy, sustainable and cruelty-free dining.

Lisa Wenzel, assistant director of catering and special events at Food Services, said the movement aims to offer a wider range of meatless options, which she hopes will give students exposure to both new foods and new ideas.

The Monday Campaigns, a campaign that dedicates the first day of each week to health, and the Humane Society of the United States coordinated the movement, which is co-sponsored at Notre Dame by the Office of Sustainability.

“The Humane Society actually approached us first about starting Meatless Mondays,” Wenzel said. “They introduced us to the concept, and we really liked its educational benefits and its benefits for nutrition and sustainability.”

While the dining halls will continue to serve meat on Mondays, consistent with other universities implementing the program, Wenzel said it is important that students learn about the nutritional and environmental advantages of eating less meat. These include decreased rates of heart disease, obesity and several types of cancer, as well as a reduced carbon footprint and of course the promotion of animal welfare.

“You might not be worried [about the health risks] as students, but later in life, it’s good to be aware of,” Wenzel said.

In order to keep the new options appealing to students, Wenzel said the dining halls would try to serve meatless versions of familiar dishes, such as fajitas and burgers, along with some unique ethnic options.

“Last week we had vegetarian sliders, like veggie burgers and falafel burgers on a smaller scale, and people seemed to like them,” she said. “It’s all about having something you like and enjoying it without meat.”

Some meatless dishes in store at the dining halls today include portabella fajitas, along with goat cheese and asparagus pasta, quinoa rice corn cakes, savory vegetable pancakes and an Indian stew.

In regards to the relationship between Meatless Mondays and the Catholic tradition of meatless Fridays, Wenzel said Monday was designated as the dining halls’ day to incorporate less meat because of the support from the national program. The Monday Campaigns organization promotes various movements to make Monday a day of increased commitment to health because, at the beginning of the week, it is a logical day for starting new habits and resolutions.

Meatless Fridays in Lent would continue unchanged alongside Meatless Mondays next semester, Wenzel said.

“Fridays in Lent will not go away. It’s a separate thing,” she said. “This is more of an educational campaign with national support.”

Wenzel hopes students will embrace the opportunity to go meatless for a day, or at least sample some of the new meatless options.

“I would encourage people to give it a try,” Wenzel said. “It’s an opportunity for new experience and exposure.”

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The Notre Dame dining halls are now participating in the national Meatless Mondays campaign to encourage healthy dining. An increased number of meatless options are available each Monday.
Navy ROTC Marine options join Notre Dame International Security Program Fellows in weekend training

By NICOLE MICHELS
News Writer

Most members of the Notre Dame community woke up Friday morning looking forward to one last day of work before the weekend, but the Notre Dame International Security Program (NDISP) Fellows and the Marine option in the Navy ROTC battalion instead geared up for tactical exercises conducted at the Sherwood Forest paintball arena.

Friday’s event marked the second time NDISP and the Navy ROTC Marine options have collaborated on this USMC Small Unit Tactics Seminar, Michael Desch, co-director of NDISP, said.

“The purpose was threefold: familiarize NDISP fellows with what goes on the ground with a Marine squad, and to give the fellows a first-hand look at the Marine option cadets the opportunity to get to know each other in a non-academic environment,” Desch said.

“ar we able to combine national security education and a bit of fun.”

Marine option platoon commander Mike McCormick said the ROTC program asks its cadets to participate in both physical and mental real-world simulations.

“We train to be leaders both with physical training to develop the requisite self-discipline, toughness and endurance, and we train for mental aspects of leadership through leadership positions within the unit and through exercises like tactical and ethical based decision games,” he said.

McCormick said the first game called for the Marine options to assault a guarded fortress to retrieve two officers who were acting as high-value targets (HV Ts).

“The Marine options arrived at Sherwood around 10:30 a.m., checked out equipment, walked over the course and did a couple of our own tactical exercises,” McCormick said. “When NDISP arrived and got the equipment, we listened to a quick safety brief, and then the (Marine options) demonstrated the orders process and a HVT capture exercise.”

McCormick said this was the most memorable part of the seminar.

“It demonstrated the difficulties caused by casualties and the importance of a success of command and aggression in overcoming casualties,” McCormick said.

NDISP Fellow Peter Campbell said he was most impressed by the Marines’ obvious training and communication.

“The thing that stands out in my mind was their amazing ability to work as a team, and their impressive level of communication in this kind of operation and advance,” Campbell said. “It was impressive to watch them work together, and to watch their communication and improvisation as the exercise unfolded.”

Next, the NDISP fellows were organized into three squads and asked to complete the same HV T exercise. Campbell said.

“The first fire team (squad) took heavy casualties and got pinned down very soon in our operation, so we had to improvise,” Campbell said.

“We train to be leaders both with physical training to develop the requisite self-discipline, toughness and endurance and we train for the moral and mental aspects of leadership.”

That really drove home the friction, the complexity, and the fact that you need to just act,” Campbell said. “There is such a temptation to stay where you are to stay safe, but what really needed is to do the opposite of that: keep moving, that’s the safest thing to do even though it’s contrary to your human instinct.”

For both groups executing the objective, they combined forces to play multiple two-sided paintball games, Thomas said.

“Playing a few rounds of paintball with NDISP after assaulting the fortress was definitely the most fun,” Thomas said. “It was nice to continue training in a more relaxed and fun atmosphere.”

Campbell said he was awed by the way that the Marines accomplished each objective.

“There was that one super hero moment where the gunner sergeant picked up the flag and ran by two people, shooting with one hand and carrying the flag in the other — he shot them both in the head and won the game,” Campbell said. “I’m just so impressed with the communication and execution of the Marines and especially their officers, their ability to move without being detected and to arrive in places where you didn’t expect them and then you get shot in the face.”

Thomas said he walked away with an increased understanding of military communication — without communication you have three fire teams trying to implement their own plan without coordination,” Thomas said. “Communication allows for the integration of the fire teams so that the objective can be completed using teamwork, which minimizes the amount of casualties experienced.

For Campbell, the seminar put a human face to military operations and tactical decisions.

“Perhaps it really brought home the inherent difficulty of even the most simple military operation,” Campbell said. “Everyone tells you what you need to do, whatever you ask the military to carry out an operation, is that it always carries that sense of uncertainty and difficulty... It is not something to be taken lightly ... hopefully this will give [the NDISP Fellows] a better understanding of the difficulty inherent in those tasks.”

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The Declan Drumm Sullivan Memorial sits outside the Guglielmino Athletics Complex. Sullivan’s friends visited the memorial Saturday to celebrate the anniversary of his death.

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program’s mission was one Barry said his son would have appreciated.

“(Declan) had a great interest in film, and I know he was doing a lot of writing... He was coming to appreciate the benefits that he had, the kind of education that was allowing him to achieve his dreams,” Barry said.

“That’s what we really appreciate about Horizons, and Declan would appreciate this. It’s giving children who probably would not have the opportunity to have that kind of success, giving them the support they need to achieve those things... I think Dec would approve of what we’re doing.”

The family hosted the first annual “No Ordinary Evening” fundraiser to support Horizons for Youth in April at Navy Pier in Chicago. The proceeds from the fundraiser allowed the program to admit Declan’s 40, which according to the website of Horizons for Youth is the largest group to be accepted to the program at one time. The names of these students are listed on the Horizons for Youth website.

Barry and his daughter Wyn were able to sit through some of the interviews involved in the rigorous application process for Horizons for Youth applicants. He said he was impressed with the way the organization tries to admit students with families interested in furthering their children’s educations but often are lacking the means to do so.

“One of their criteria is to identify students who really do have the kind of family support that will allow them to succeed, and then they augment that with the kind of mentoring and tutoring with these kids that would ensure their success,” he said.

The Sullivan family met many of the students admitted to the program with Declan’s 40 at a picnic to begin the school year. A group of students from the Horizons for Youth program also traveled to the Notre Dame football game against BYU last weekend.

Two years later, Barry said the memory of his son’s death still hurts. A member of his family is missing. But seeing the immediate impact of the funds donated in Declan’s memory is “a very positive thing,” he said. “We’re working with the children and seeing the impact. There’s no pain in that. It actually helps to [alleviate] the pain we feel after that loss.”

On Saturday, Barry said his wife and youngest son remembered Declan with mass at Old St. Patrick’s Church in Chicago. Their daughter Wyn, a junior at Notre Dame, is currently studying abroad in Dublin.

“We spent the evening with some friends who toasted to Declan’s memory with us, and we watched a Notre Dame victory,” Barry said. “So we tried to do things that were in keeping, we try to celebrate his memory. ... I’m sure [Wyn] was remembering her brother. She asked us to remember her as we are remembering him, as we were toasting his memory.”

The family has already begun planning the second annual “No Ordinary Evening” fundraiser. The event will take place in April at Navy Pier in Chicago.

“Throughout all of this, we’ve enjoyed a lot of support from the whole Notre Dame family,” Barry said. “The University administration has been very good to us. I guess I would just like to say that we really appreciate all the thoughts and prayers that we have felt from the Notre Dame family.”

Alison, Declan’s mom, said in an email that she and her husband received texts from friends with photos of Declan’s campus memorial near the Guglielmino Athletics Complex with a sign that read “For Dec” on Saturday afternoon and evening.

“At night, the site was lit up brilliantly with candles,” she said. “We were very touched that people on campus were remembering Dec on the second anniversary of his death.”

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Hesburgh Center Auditorium
Great Pumpkin

What is Halloween? Is it a pagan festival to celebrate demonic spirits and deceased ancestors? Is it a release before the solemnity of All Saint’s Day, in the spirit of Mardi Gras? Is it a manufactured holiday created and maintained by Mars, Inc. and other players in “Big Candy”? I think, in the end, we can all agree it’s a celebration centered on a giant, sentient pumpkin flying through the air and bringing toys to children.

Yes, I’m talking about the Great Pumpkin, the magnificent orange squash that appears only once a year to a lucky few.

You may not know about the Great Pumpkin, but that’s only because he doesn’t get the same publicity as a certain jolly Coca-Cola spokesman. Without corporate sponsorship or catchy songs, and with only one profile-raising movie, he has a limited following.

However, the Great Pumpkin’s devotees remain undeterred, even in the face of derision from the spectacular vegetable’s main cynics: beagles and sisters. In fact, the Great Pumpkin appears to relish his obscurity. He actively avoids large audiences, choosing to rise only out of the single most sincere pumpkin patch and distributing his gifts only among the well-behaved and sincere.

Join me in the pumpkin patch to wait for the Great Pumpkin to arise. Don’t join us if you don’t sincerely believe. Also, it might take all night, but he will definitely show... probably.

Here’s an idea of the festivities:
8 to 9 p.m.: Arrive and make sure to find a comfortable spot.
9 to 11 p.m.: Wait in cheerful anticipation.
11:31 p.m.: Regress to maturity of high school student.
12 a.m.: Separate group by gender.
12 to 12:06 a.m.: Complain about temperature.
12:07 a.m.: “Was that . . . no it was nothing.”
12:08 to 2 a.m.: Wait in increasingly irritable anticipation.
2 to 2:05:55 a.m.: Hum Queen’s Bohemian Rhapsody to self.
2:05:55 to 2:30 a.m.: Wonder if the Great Pumpkin has food and if it is edible.
2:30 a.m. to 3 a.m.: Wait in increasingly sleepy anticipation.
3:15 to 3:45 a.m.: Collectively discover and subsequently forget answers to all of life’s questions.
4 a.m. to zzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz.
9:15 a.m.: Blend in to equally sluggish, disheveled and previous-night-regretful student body as they go to class.
Finally, it can get chilly out there, so don’t forget to bring your blanket.

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Diss-appearance

Bridget Galassini
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You don’t get a second chance to make a first impression. Researchers have found that people make an initial judgment of one another within the first three seconds of meeting. Talk about pressure.

This judging is inevitable because it’s done subconsciously. People’s appearances send us a message, whether we want them to or not. That’s why we dress nicely for business meetings, interviews and dances. That’s why we dress appropriately for toga parties, ABC parties and America parties. We want to be wearing the correct clothes for the occasion to feel comfortable. Imagine if someone wore jeans and a hoodie to his job interview. That person would be discounted almost immediately, regardless of his knowledge or expertise in the field.

On one hand, this is understandable. One’s appearance shows the amount of effort that person has made to look his or her best for the occasion. Therefore, looking better means the person put in more effort, which means the person wants the position more. Conclusions are inevitably drawn.

On the other hand, this is disadvantageous because it leads to false conclusions. Instead of focusing on the person’s words and ideas, the appearance of the person gets great attention.

A perfect example involves the presidential election of 1960 and the debates between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon. These presidential debates were the first ones that were ever televised. According to history.com, Nixon appeared tired from the previous few days of campaigning. He had a five o’clock shadow and wore a dreary gray suit. Kennedy was well rested and tan. Then, regarding performance, Nixon looked off to the sides at reporters, while JFK looked into the camera.

Therefore, though “most radio listeners called the first debate a draw or pronounced Nixon the victor,” the TV viewers declared JFK the winner.

The radio listeners actually heard the ideas of both candidates without any bias from their appearances, consequently choosing Nixon. It’s a shame TV listeners had their visions clouded by the appearances of the candidates.

Whether the debates altered the result of the election is unknown, but they did have a large impact.

The same idea holds true regarding the current debates. I first listened to the second debate on the radio. When I later watched the debate video online, my perspective changed. I still heard the candidates’ points and ideas, but I was also focused on their gestures, facial expressions and interactions with one another. I realized that these are unimportant and distracting.

For the final debate, I again listened on the radio. I focused on the candidates’ ideas and arguments, and I sometimes found them weak and repetitive. Perhaps instead of focusing so much time and energy on their appearances, politicians and their supporters could strengthen their arguments and develop better solutions.

They could take a hint from Matt Damon’s speech in “The Adjustment Bureau” when he, a politician, finally calls himself and his focus group out on their “bull.” He explains that although everyone calls him authentic, his focus group has pretty much made him the opposite.

What matters is what’s inside a person’s mind, not what’s covering his or her body.

Some of the best companies like Apple and Google have a relaxed dress code. They’ve figured it out. What people wear is pretty insignificant because it’s the ideas that matter.

Presidential debates and other events of that nature should be approached in this same manner. Our society would be more idea-oriented and less appearance-oriented.

Imagine if all of the presidential debates were exclusively on the radio. We’d be forced to ignore the ridiculous subliminal messaging. This would never happen because viewers would become too bored. Hearing voices on the radio is not engaging enough for many people. The picture on the television is our entertainment. We need it, unfortunately. But hopefully we can see past it to what people really are.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Kindness, I've discovered, is everything in life.”

Isaac Bashevis Singer American novelist

WEEKLY POLL

Who is your favorite football player?

Tweet your response with #ViewpointPoll by 5 p.m. on Thursday
Venturing into the neighborhood

Molly Howell
Directly Challenged

Notre Dame’s campus is a bubble. For those who live here and do not have the luxury of a car, it would appear the University and campus is self-sustaining. It has the necessary – housing, food, classes and a long list of extracurricular activities. It incredibly easy to forget about the outside world, especially about what it is going on in South Bend, the University’s backyard.

For the most part, I would argue that Notre Dame students are blessed financially. Tuition is not cheap and scholar- ships are few and far between. The majority of students are here not only for their academic and athletic achieve- ments, but because their families are able to financially support them. Yes, there is financial aid, but that does not change the fact that tuition is steep. Due to the fact that the student body has this background and that the campus is such a bubble, there is a concern that Notre Dame students are becoming elitists, that they are not exposed to the real world. It’s a worry my parents had for me when sending me here. They knew the student body was not among the most diverse in regards to race, religion or economic class in the nation.

However, though many students are coming from more privileged lifestyles back home, many have a background in community service. And not only do they have this background, but they are encouraged by the University and upperclassmen to further pursue service while on campus. This can be witnessed in the long list of service programs and organizations promoted on the begin- ning of the year’s activities night. There are clubs and programs that cover every- thing from providing clean water overseas, to building homes throughout the U.S., to tutoring underprivileged kids in the community. I felt called to become involved with a community service pro- gram. A friend from home invited me and I was almost bravery involved with. So, I ventured outside the bubble to tutor South Bend kids one Monday afternoon.

The program is called Teamwork for Tomorrow and meets twice a week for a couple of hours in an old church 30 min- utes from campus. There, Notre Dame student tutors meet with elementary school kids to help them in reading and other schoolwork. After tutoring, there’s always gym time or free time for the tu- tors and students. A couple of weeks ago, while the boys were playing dodgeball in the gym, I was drawing with the girls. A friend and I starting making “cootie catchers” out of the construction paper. One person holds the cootie catcher and asks the questions printed on the sides of the origami, while the other chooses among the answers. Some prediction or fortune is eventually revealed for the per- son answering the questions. My friend was wearing a Disney World sweatshirt that day, so we made one of the predictions, “You will visit Disney World.”

One of the young girls happened to get that prediction and immediately asked, “But, we have never been.” My friend explained to this seven-year- old that she would not actually be going. I would argue that a large majority of Notre Dame students have been to Disney World. And if they haven’t, I would also argue that many Notre Dame students have been on at least one vaca- tion. However, almost all of the kids at Teamwork for Tomorrow have never been out of the Michiana area. None of them have been to Disney World.

That day I realized the disparity be- tween Notre Dame and South Bend. South Bend is a small town whose econ- omy is heavily reliant on the neighboring University. This fact places an enormous responsibility on the University and its students. Students cannot forget about the outside world during their time here.

It’s never too early to start giving back; the Notre Dame community owes it to South Bend to venture outside the bubble and step into our backyard.

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KEEP CALM AND STYLE ON

Hairstyle Horror Stories

By JESSIE CHRISTIAN
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It has come to my attention that there is a disease that is spreading through pop culture like wildfire. The disease has plagued many well-known Hollywood stars, and is slowly but surely starting to grow out of control. I say, with a heavy heart, that it has even begun to infect the minds of everyday individuals that once had hopes of living a normal life. Those hopes will forever be tainted by the disease, which will leave a permanent mark on their image. Join me, as we acknowledge and pray for those who have fallen gravely ill with a case of “Mane Madness.”

MILEY MALFOY
Symptoms: Scissor-happy | Addiction to bleach | Showing resemblance to one or more characters from “Harry Potter”
Current Condition: Critical

WEEPING WILLOW
Symptoms: Scissor-happy | Dye-addict | Odd obsession with futuristic space life
Current Condition: Critical

Let’s face it. The moment that Miley Cyrus put on that blonde wig to star in Disney’s hit show “Hannah Montana,” she was doomed to contract the “Madness.” What were once delicately laid, long brown tresses on the innocent adolescent girl, gradually transformed into the Frankensteinian image that we see today. Keep her in your hearts and souls, for we can only hope that the disease will pass and we will have our normal Miley back.

However, there are some fundamental traits that make this bold chop a bad choice for Miley, but could make it a good or bad choice for you. First of all, be conscious of your facial structure and skin complexion. This look is strikingly ghostly because of the similarity between Miley’s pale skin and the platinum blonde shade she chose to use. Try to stay away from hair colors that are too similar to your own skin tone, a combo that is generally referred to as the “washed-out” look, and is rarely executed successfully.

In addition to color, take the shape of your face into account when picking out a new cut. Miley’s face is round and full — two characteristics that often don’t work with short avant-garde cuts like this one. Narrower faces often work best with short cuts, while voluminous hair and bob cuts often frame rounder faces well. Still, every face is different, and so the best thing to do is to go to a professional stylist with an idea and/or picture references in mind for additional help.

RASTA RIRI
Symptoms: Dye-addict | Hit-or-miss hair
Current Condition: Stable

Rihanna has had a vast array of different hairstyles, so many in fact, that she has been honored with the title of the “fashion chameleon.” Most of the time she lives up to the title, sporting trends from the latest designer collections while being conveniently spotted by photographers wherever she may go. The world has become her runway, and people love to watch the fashion show. What most people don’t know, however, is that Rihanna has had an on-and-off struggle with “Mane Madness.” Currenly she has subdued the illness, and we pray that this time it has been defeated for good.

If you want to be a style chameleon, the best way to try new styles without spiraling out of control is to focus in on what won’t look good on you, and then make sure you factor these things into the decision-making process every time. Rihanna, for example, is known to have a larger forehead and smaller facial features. Because of this, the styles that work best on her are those that conceal this area such as blunt cuts or swooping side bangs. Since the days of her first album release, she has moved away from tight off of the forehead ponytails, and hair that has been slipped back. She still has her fair share of styling issues, but this is one that occurs less often. Find your stylistic don’ts and steer clear.

Willow Smith is the youngest of our unfortunate bunch to have contracted this trying disease. Since the release off her surprisingly successful single “Whip My Hair” in 2010, the child of superstars Will and Jada Pinkett Smith has dealt with an undying strain of “Mane Madness.” Take preventative measures and don’t let this happen to the children in your lives. Hide the scissors, hide the dye, hide the mirror because “Mane Madness” is getting everyone out here — even children like Willow. She may not be able to relive her childhood, but we can only wish her the best on her future endeavors. No pun intended.

Willow has proven that some things just aren’t a good idea for anyone. Yellow hair? Not a good idea. Cotton-candy Afro? Not a good idea. Skunk-inspired dye jobs? Not a good idea. Cornrowed hearts? Not a good idea. Preteen bowl cuts? Not a good idea. Stay away from these things unless you’re channeling your inner Willow, Nikki Minaj, or Dennis Rodman for Halloween, and frankly I would advise against even attempting that. Some may give her a pass because she’s young, I, on the other hand, find most of these styles to be a no-no at any age.

These celebs have indeed proven that “Mane Madness” is out and in full effect. Stick with these preventative measures, however, and you’ll be spared from enduring the same grueling fate. Keep it classy up top and have fun!

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The Book was Better: “Cloud Atlas”

By KEVIN NOONAN
Scene Editor

Whenever a feature film debuts based on a novel or play or some other source material, there without fail is always some pretentious, stuck-up, high-society know-it-all to let you know that the book was better, no matter how fabulous the film is.

Well, with “Cloud Atlas” hitting the theaters this weekend, I may as well start wearing a monocle, using words like “pedantic” and join the sailing team, because I’m here to tell you that the book was better.

The 2004 novel by David Mitchell of the same name is an epic tale of intertwining stories, characters and genres spanning hundreds of years, told in the style of a matryoshka, or Russian nesting doll.

Six different narratives are followed in the book. Each is presented in half chronologically, and then snakes back in opposite chronological order in the second half to reveal the conclusion. The exception is the sixth and final story, which takes place more than a hundred years after the fall of Earth’s future society controlled by corporation-controlled civilization and is told in full as the center of the novel.

The first story follows the journal of Robert Frobisher, a young musician, to Cambridge and his male lover, as he flees his home in the early 1930s and heads to Belgium to work with a syphilitic but brilliant English composer. It is from Frobisher that the title originates, as his masterwork composition the “Cloud Atlas Sextet,” is the defining work of his life and the source of both his greatness and his fatal flaw.

A mystery novel comprises the third, following a gossip reporter, Louisa Rey, as she stumbles onto a deadly scandal at a nuclear power plant in the 1970s after running into the grown up and now retired physicist Rufus Sixsmith.

The present-day story follows Timothy Cavendish, an aging and failing publisher, who comes into success after one of his writers murders a literary critic after receiving a horrible review. Cavendish runs into trouble with some riffraff, and is tricked by his brother into being committed into a nursing home, where he constantly plans his escape.

The fifth takes place in a dystopian future society controlled by corporation in which society has created a class of clones to perform what is essentially slave labor. One clone, Sonmi 451, has awakened to her own existence, and, doomed to execution, tells her story in a final interview.

The final story is a post-apocalyptic tale of a new civilization of people that resembles in many ways the “savages” peoples Adam Ewing runs into in his South Pacific journey. Zachry, one of the men of the village, crosses paths with Meronym, a woman whose people has managed to hold onto the technology of the former world but is threatened by disease.

The novel, as may be apparent, is wildly complex and interweaves with impressive and subtle skill. At just over 500 pages, the narrative fully fleshes out the stories of its characters to expand beyond just the time connections, making it a through and through spectacular epic storytelling.

The film, adapted for the screen and directed by Tom Tykwer (“Run Lola Run”) and Lana and Andy Wachowski (“The Matrix” trilogy), stars Tom Hanks and Halle Berry and an ensemble cast of familiar faces all playing multiple roles throughout the movie.

It is visually stunning, and the creation of six vastly different and intricately detailed worlds is certainly fantastically undertaken. But the problem of turning such a complex story into a film is that in the book, the author has enough freedom to allow his complexities and connections subtly. In a film setting however, these connections are much more overt and make the story feel flat.

The movie is still impressive because of the sensational source material and story, but in comparison to the novel, the verdict is clear: The book is better.

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“Cloud Atlas”
Starring: Tom Hanks, Halle Berry, Hugh Grant and Jim Sturgess

“Cloud Atlas”
By: David Mitchell

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The Oklahoma City Thunder, had the return for okc? guards Kevin Martin and Jeremy Lamb, two first-round picks and a second-round pick. The Houston Rockets finally compiled its assets; it just didn’t have guys to carry the team in a league where superstars win. Plain and simple. With young talent everywhere and draft picks galore, the Rockets finally compiled its ample arcade tickets and bought the big prize behind the counter. While Harden might not be a superstar capable of carrying a team solely by himself, he is a player worthy of a max contract. With Harden on the floor last season, Oklahoma City outscored its opponents by more than nine points per 48 minutes. When he was on the bench, the Thunder had to return the ball before it bounces three times.

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While experienced players can keep the ball in bounds and stage extended rallies, just hitting the ball over the net can be a challenge for beginners. During a recent visit to the California School for the Blind, students mostly swatted balls into the ground, the net and toward the ceiling and walls. Few balls were returned, but teachers say some are developing that capability.

The sport of goalball was created in 1964 by Miyoshi Takeshi, a blind Japanese school student who designed the adapted ball and helped the sport gain popularity in Japan and other Asian countries. He dominated blind tennis competitions until he was killed in a train accident last year at age 42.

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Vallabh first began teaching at Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Mass. with help from her high school tennis teammates. She then helped start similar programs at Lighthouse International in New York City and the California School for the Blind.

Vallabh is working with engineering students at Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, Calif. to design a ball that continuously beeps to make it easier for blind players to track it. At the California School for the Blind, staff members said they were skeptical when Vallabh first approached them about teaching the adapted sport. “We were thinking, ‘How are we going to teach tennis?’” said Mary Alice Ross, who teaches adapted physical education. “My colleague said, ‘Tennis is like teaching football. It’s not something we really do.’”

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Sports Authority

Harden moves one season too soon

Think back to June, when the Thunder were three games away from winning an NBA title. It looked as if we could have a dynasty in Oklahoma to challenge the vaunted Big Three in Miami. Harden, Durant and Russell Westbrook were young, talented and all-star caliber. And most importantly, they loved playing together.

But the Thunder needed to decide by Halloween on whether they would give Harden a contract extension before the season. Oklahoma City already had hefty contracts signed with Durant and Westbrook, as well as the amnesty-worthy Kendrick Perkins and Serge Ibaka. If they wanted to have Harden, they would have to pay him over the luxury tax threshold while paying Harden a maximum level contract, something the small-market Thunder clearly did not want to do.

So, the Thunder made the best out of a bad situation, right? In the words of Lee Corso, not so fast.

“During the offseason, we went over the fact that having the best team in the league was not going to be enough, said Mike Monaco at ObserverSports. “We had to go all in and build a championship team. That’s what we did.”

This is Oklahoma to challenge the Thunder, Durant and Harden, to go along with an endless crop of young talent such as Terrence Jones, Donatas Motiejunas, Patrick Patterson, Royce White, Chandler Parsons and Omer Asik. Heck, they could parlay some of that potential into another proven commodity.

Oh, and don’t forget about their cap flexibility. The Rockets have still max cap room for next summer.

The Thunder finally had a blockbuster trade that will certainly help, while the Thunder got an acceptable return for someone that likely was going to be traded at some point.

My only question: Why now?

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Associated Press

FREMONT, Calif. — Learning how to play tennis is hard enough. Now try it when you can’t see.

That’s what students are doing at the California School for the Blind. They’re learning a form of tennis adapted for the visually impaired — and expanding the boundaries of what the blind can do.

The state-supported campus in Fremont is one of three American schools for the blind that recently began teaching adapted tennis, which was invented in Japan in the 1980s. A nonprofit group called Tennis Serves is working to promote the sport throughout the U.S.

“I didn’t know someone with no vision could play tennis until I came to this school,” said a 16-year-old student from Modesto named Jonathan. “This school decided to provide his last name, citing a state law that protects the privacy of students with disabilities.

Blind tennis features a smaller court, lower net and junior tennis rackets with bigger heads and shorter handles. String is taped to the floor so players can feel the boundaries with their feet. Players use a foam ball filled with metal beads that rattle on impact, allowing them to locate the ball when it hits the ground or racket. Once served, they have to return the ball before it bounces three times.

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Richardson leads Browns to victory

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Trent Richardson broke one tackle, then another and was gone. The San Diego Chargers couldn’t stop the rookie running back who might be the one to make Cleveland relevant once more. On a day when every yard counted, Richardson delivered a dominating performance that even made Hall of Famer Jim Brown swell with pride.

Great running backs break tackles,” Brown said following Cleveland’s 7-6 win Sunday. “You do that, you are in control. You keep the ball. The other team is disheartened. That’s football.”

And that’s why the Browns chose Richardson. Cleveland’s rookie running back, still playing with a rib injury, carried 24 times as the Browns gave new owner Jimmy Haslam his first win since taking over the franchise. Haslam was presented with a game ball by coach Pat Shurmur in Cleveland’s jubilant locker room.

“It feels good,” linebacker D’Qwell Jackson said of rewarding Haslam, who shelled out $1.05 billion for the Browns.

“You always want to put a smile on his face.”

Richardson’s TD to cap Cleveland’s first drive was like many they used to get from the incomparable Brown, who either outran or carried defenders to the end zone. It was No. 33 who helped make the Browns one of the league’s most storied teams, and Cleveland has a new back, who might one day get them back to the top.

Two plays after quarterback Brandon Weeden converted on a fourth-and-1 with a sneak to keep the drive alive, Richardson took a handoff up the middle, broke two tackles and was kept upright by right guard Shawn Lauvao, who wrapped his hands around his teammate, before scampering in for his fifth TD. Richardson said once he was deep in San Diego’s secondary there was no stopping him.

“They don’t want no problems,” he said.

The Chargers (3-4) dropped their third straight. San Diego had a final chance, but quarterback Philip Rivers’ pass was batted away by Browns cornerback Buster Skrine with 1:24 left.

Rivers finished 18 of 34 for 154 yards but had a potential touchdown pass dropped by Robert Meachem in the third quarter.

Ryan Theriot led off the 10th with a single against Phil Coke, moved up on Brandon Crawford’s sacrifice and scored on Scutaro’s shallow single. Center fielder Austin Jackson made a throw home, to no avail.

Sergio Romo struck out the side at the bottom of the 10th for his third save of the Series. The Giants finished the month with seven straight wins and their seventh Series championship. They handed the Tigers their seventh straight World Series loss dating to 2006.

“They don’t want no doubt about it. They swept us,” Tigers manager Jim Leyland said. “So there was certainly no bad breaks, no fluke.”

“Simple, they did better than we did,”

An NL team won the title for the third straight season, a run that hadn’t occurred in 30 years. Some find the streak surprising, considering the AL’s recent dominance in interleague play. Yet as every fan knows, the club that pitches best in the postsea- son usually prevails.

Until the end, the Tigers thought one big hit could shift the momentum. It was an all-too-familiar October lament — Texas felt the same way when the Giants throttled them in 2010, and Tigers knew the feeling when St. Louis wiped them out in 2006.

Howling winds made it feel much colder than the 44 degrees at gametime. Two wrappers blew across home plate after leadoff man Angel Pagan struck out, and fly balls played tricks in the breeze.

The Giants started with their pregame ritual. They clustered around Hunter Pence in the dugout, quickly turning into a bobbing, whooping, pulsing pack, showering themselves with sunflower seeds. A big league good-luck charm, Little League style.

And once again, San Francisco took an early lead. Pence hit a one-hop drive over the center-field fence for a double and Brandon Belt tripled on the next pitch for a 1-0 lead in the second.

The next inning, Cabrera gave the Tigers a reason to think this might be their night.

With two outs and a runner on first, Cabrera lofted an opposite-field fly to right — off the bat, it looked like a routine out shy of the warning track. But with winds gusting over 25 mph, the ball kept carrying. Pence kept drifting toward the wall and the crowd kept getting louder.

Just like that, it was gone.

Cabrera’s homer gave Detroit its first lead of the Series, ended its 20-inning scoreless streak and reaffirmed a pregame ob- servation by Tigers Hall of Famer AlKaline.

“The wind usually blows to right at this time of year,” Kaline said.

In the fourth, Max Scherzer and catcher Gerald Laird teamed on a strike ‘em out-throw’em out double play. Scherzer yelled, first baseman Prince Fielder glanced his fist and the Tigers ran off the field on a chilly, windy, rainy eve- ning. At last, it seemed, all the elements were in their favor.

Trailing for the first time since Game 4 of the NL championship series, Posey and the Giants put a dent in Detroit’s optimism. Scutaro, the NLCS MVP, led off the sixth with a single and clapped all the way around the bases when Posey sent a shot that sailed just inside the left- field foul pole for a 3-2 lead.

Giants win World Series

San Francisco designated hitter Ryan Theriot celebrates after scoring the go-ahead run in the 10th inning of the Giants’ 4-3 win in Game 4 over Detroit. The Giants swept the Tigers to win the World Series.
ND CROSS COUNTRY | BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

By AARON SANT-MILLER
Sports Writer

In a field of 14 men’s teams and 15 women’s teams, both squads snagged top-five finishes in the Big East championship on Friday. The men’s squad finished third on the day, while the women finished fifth.

“We’re satisfied, but we’re still kind of hungry, too, because we always want to win,” senior Jeremy Rae said. “Our goal was to win all three Big East men’s titles in one year: indoor (track), outdoor and cross country. So, we kind of fell short of that. We didn’t really think we were going to win and a third place finish is still very good, so we’re satisfied with how we did.”

For the women, there was more disappointment than satisfaction following the meet, senior Rebecca Tracy said.

“We really wanted to be in the top three. We really do have a team with a lot of potential, we just have yet to put it all together on the same day,” Tracy said. “It was a little disappointing coming to fifth. We felt this would have been the year to finish above fifth, which we haven’t done in my four years here. We were within 10 points of the third-place team, so if each person could have gotten one or two more spots, it could have made a huge difference. To come that close, it was kind of disappointing.

Rae, who finished third overall with a time of 24:39, led the Irish, finishing 15th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd, respectively. Junior Kelly Curran led the Irish women with a time of 21:21 and finished 12th overall. Curran was followed by Tracy (21:25), sophomore Hannah Malette (24:58), sophomore Danielle Aragon (21:54), who finished eighth, 14th, 22nd and 23rd, respectively.

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For the men’s team, a large goal for the Big East meet was the sweep of the diving events for Notre Dame freshman runner Timothy Ball competes in the National Catholic Championship on Sept. 14 at Notre Dame.

ND grabs top-five finishes

Men’s Swimming and Diving | Dual Meets

By NICK BOYLE
Sports Writer

Notre Dame won two dual meets over the weekend, taking down Oakland (Mich.) in Rochester, Mich., on Friday night before winning at Michigan State in East Lansing, Mich., on Saturday.

The Irish claimed first place in 11 of 16 events Friday at Oakland, earning a 191-107 victory over the hosts.

All-American junior Frank Dyer was a double race winner for the Irish, winning the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 21.23 seconds, before putting in a time of 1:38.73 to take the 200-yard freestyle.

Sophomore diver Nick Nemetz and Michael Kreft swept the diving events for the Irish. Nemetz won the one-meter with a score of 321.90, while Kreft took the three-meter with a score of 291.37.

Senior swimmer Christopher Johnson said having seen Oakland at the Dennis Stark relays earlier in the season would be huge on Friday.

After defeating Oakland on Friday, the Irish took a quick bus ride over to East Lansing where they took down the Spartans on Saturday.

“I feel like we were able to come out strong, especially knowing how strong they usually are at the start,” Johnson said. “We definitely did what we went to Michigan to do.”

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Dyer was a double winner for the second contest in a row, winning both the 100-yard and 200-yard freestyle.

Sophomore swimmer Cameron Miller took home gold in the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke, his first multi-win meet of the season.

Nemetz swept the diving events in East Lansing, placing first in both the one-meter and the three-meter dives.

“Moving forward, we need to go even faster,” Johnson said. “This Friday, Purdue comes in and that’s a meet we really want to win. Fan support would be huge on Friday.”

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Irish take two dual-meet wins

Irish freshmen Timothy Ball competes in the National Catholic Championship on Sept. 14 at Notre Dame.
Saturday Oct. 27th & Sunday Oct. 28th
5:00pm; 10:00am; 11:45am
Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Prayer Card Distributions During Mass
A prayer for healing from sexual violence will be distributed during each of the services by FIRE Starter Peer educators.

Monday Oct. 29th
6:00pm-7:30pm
South Dining Hall Hospitality Room
9:00pm
The Grotto

Mystery Theatre Dinner - RSVP required at grc.nd.edu
Join us as we take you on a journey filled with twists and turns as you and your friends seek to solve “The Mystery of the Missing Friend.” Participants will learn skills to keep their friends safe and will do so in the comfort of a free dinner and free entertainment.

Rosary at the Grotto

Tuesday Oct. 30th
10:00pm
Keough Hall

Mass of Healing
Father Pete McCormick leads a mass of healing for our Notre Dame community especially those affected by sexual violence. Affected persons include survivors, the accused, family and friends and the entire Notre Dame family. Healing is for everyone.

Wed. Oct. 31st
Noon-2pm
LaFortune 1st Floor

T-Shirt and Teal Ribbon Day
Stop by to grab your FREE “I am one of the 20” shirt and teal ribbon to join the Notre Dame community in support of sexual violence survivors and show your active bystander position.

Thurs. Nov. 1st
5:00pm-6:30pm
Notre Dame Stadium Press Box

A Time to Heal Dinner – RSVP required at grc.nd.edu
This dinner serves to strengthen the community’s ability to foster healing and to walk with those who have experienced sexual violence. Business casual attire is recommended. Free and open to the public.

Friday Nov. 2nd
10:00am-3:00pm
LaFortune 1st Floor

Men Against Violence White Ribbon Day
After the École Polytechnique massacre on December 6, 1989, where 14 women were killed by an anti-feminist, a movement appeared in Canada of men wearing the white ribbon to signify opposition to violence against women.

Join MAV and the rest of the Notre Dame men in opposing violence against women by picking up your white ribbon.
Irish continue streak with wins

By CONOR KELLY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame concluded a dominant and undefeated month of October with victories over Pittsburgh and USF on Friday and Sunday, respectively, and extended its winning streak to eight games in the Big East. The team’s last loss came Sept. 29 at home against Marquette.

Since then, the Irish (17-6, 10-1 Big East) have rattled off eight consecutive wins in the heart of their conference schedule, dropping just two sets in the process. Irish coach Debbie Brown said that the team’s challenging pre-season non-conference schedule has been the most important factor in Notre Dame’s transformation from a young, promising group into a dominant Big East team.

While the Irish failed to knock off any of their three top-10 foes during the pre-season, the experience has proved invaluable.

“It really all comes up to the pre-season and the preparation,” Brown said. “We had as strong a schedule as you could imagine in non-conference. We then followed it up with playing two strongest teams in our conference [Louisville and Marquette] right out the gate.”

Against Pittsburgh (14-12, 5-7), the Irish prevailed 3-1. Junior setter Maggie Brindock paced the Irish offense with 43 assists and a career-high eight kills and seven blocks, hitting .571 while controlling the Notre Dame attack. Sophomore outside hitter Toni Alugbue recorded a team-high 14 kills, while senior middle blocker Hilary Eppink notched 13.

The Irish proved dominant on both sides of the net, outhitting the Panthers .320 to .110.

“Throughout the match, we were able to run an effective offense,” Brown said. “We used a lot of different hitters and different shots. We really were able to take advantage of their weaknesses.”

Despite the effort on Friday, Brown said the team was not totally happy with its defensive play, and resolved to do better against USF on Sunday.

“We had better passing against USF and the team made a concerted effort to play better defense,” Brown said of her team’s 3-0 victory over the Bulls (13-12, 5-7). “It’s hard to speculate how we would have finished.”

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The Irish will pick up competition Feb. 15, when they head to Tallahassee, Fla., for the three-day Mash Up tournament.

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ND WOMEN’S GOLF / THE LANDFALL TRADITION

Sandy shortsens tournament

By ISAAC LORTON
Sports Writer

In a fight against time and the elements, the No. 19 Irish were able to clinch the fifth spot at The Landfall Tradition after 18 holes of golf, after which the tournament was cancelled due to the heavy rainfall of Hurricane Sandy.

Irish coach Susan Holt said she was pleased with how the Irish performed on the first day despite the less-than-optimal conditions.

Freshman Lindsey Weaver finished with a two-under par 70, which earned her a tie for third place. Sophomore Kelli Oride shot an even-par 72 and was in a four-way tie for 11th place.

The Irish finished ahead of No. 4 Arizona, No. 11 North Carolina State and No. 12 Michigan State who finished 12th, 7th and 6th respectively.

“All in all, I’m pretty happy finishing fifth, considering the circumstances,” Holt said. “Our mindset going in was it could conceivably be an 18-hole tournament because of the weather coming from Hurricane Sandy.

“We had two players under par and we beat a few teams that were ranked ahead of us. We put ourselves in a better position for the spring.”

On Saturday, Notre Dame was in third place after 27 holes, but the rest of the day and Sunday were rained out.

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ND WOMEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING / ND 166, AUBURN 132

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

The Irish fell to a tough spot in their match with Auburn, falling to a close 166-132 loss to Auburn.

Notre Dame and Auburn each won eight events, but Auburn managed to earn the upper hand in the No. 2 through No. 5 spots and take the win.

Senior Jaime Malandra said she was proud of her team’s effort despite the loss.

“As a whole, our team really stepped up to meet the meet,” Malandra said. “Auburn is a very talented team. While we knew that this meet was going to be a challenge, our coach reminded us we had to approach it just as we would any other dual meet.”

The Irish did rack up a large number of individual event winners. Sophomores Emma Reaney and Suzanne Bessire and senior Kim Holden posted individual wins. Reaney claimed the 200-yard individual medley and the 200-yard breaststroke. Holden won the 100-yard backstroke and 100-yard butterfly, and Bessire won the 200-yard freestyle.

Senior diver Jenny Chang also claimed the gold in the 3-meter dive. Malandra said Chang had one of the more impressive wins of the competition, winning the event after spraining her ankle early in the day. “She exemplified the toughness and perseverance of a Notre Dame athlete,” Malandra said.

Sophomore Allison Casaretto won the 1-meter dive after finishing fourth in the 3-meter. The Irish also claimed victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Despite all these wins, the Tigers managed to put enough people in second and third place in multiple events to snatch the meet victory.

Malandra said she thinks the loss will give the Irish momentum and drive heading into the bulk of their season.

“I think a lot of people surprised themselves with how fast they swim,” Malandra said. “That seemed to build our team confidence as a whole. The swimming season is a progression and I think we’re off to a great start.”

Malandra said the Irish will have to face tough competition the remainder of the season, but the encouraging nature of her team will help it find success.

“We work well together,” Malandra said. “We push each other and most importantly, we enjoy being around each other. It’s a special thing to be a part of.”

The Irish look to bounce back in a home meet against Purdue on Friday at 5 p.m. in the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

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Irish junior Kristina Nhim puts up a shot during the Mary Fossum Invitational on Sept. 15 in East Lansing, Mich.

Irish junior Andie Olsen, left, and outside hitter Jeni Houser put up a block during Notre Dame's 3-1 win over Pittsburgh on Oct. 26.
Irish take down defending national champions

By AARON SANT-MILLER
Sports Writer

The Irish opened the Castellan Family Fencing Center with a bang Saturday, as both the men’s and the women’s squads topped the defending national champions Ohio State in an exhibition match, with wins of 60-37 and 60-51, respectively.

“I think we did incredibly well in the team matches,” senior Ewa Nelip said. “Ohio State is a very good opponent and the reigning national champions. Beating them in the first tournament was our major goal, and I think we accomplished it completely.”

Though it was an exhibition match, the match against Ohio State gave the team an opportunity to test itself against one of the nation’s best, senior James Kaull said.

“We were just trying to see where we are as a team right now. It was an exhibition match, so there was nothing really on the line,” Kaull said. “It was our first test of the season to see how we would compete against another good team, and it was pretty even throughout, which is a very good sign of things to come.”

On the men’s side, senior and Olympian Gerek Meinhardt led Notre Dame, as he advanced a combined score of 28-7, including a 15-5 shutout by Desmet.

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“I think Gerek and Lee Kiefer really carried the team, especially later,” Kaull said. “I think we set them up to make a dominating performance against some of Ohio State’s best fencers.

“They just really came through and beat them down. I mean, we expect it of them, but it’s hard for them to step up with all that pressure. They really did an excellent job.”

The women weren’t the only ones to shine in foil bouts on Saturday. In the men’s foil matches, Meinhardt and junior Ariel DeSmet managed to win their four matches by a combined score of 29-7, including a 5-0 shutout by DeSmet.

“We just played it patient, and then let the Olympians take over,” Kaull said. “When you have that capability, it makes sense to just let them do it, and they did.”

On the day, the men’s squad only lost one bout, as freshman Garrett McGrath won two matches in the men’s epee and freshman John Halbsten claimed one of the men’s sabre bouts. Kaull battled to two ties in both of his bouts in the epee.

“There was no real reason for me to rush when I have such a good fencer behind me in Garrett,” Kaull said. “That was the game plan. They wanted to attack Garrett and Garret made them pay when they did. That was definitely encouraging to see out of [a] freshman.”

For the women, the Irish saw a little more difficulty, as Ohio State claimed four of the 12 bouts. Still, victories from Nelip and sophomore Ashley Severson in epee, as well as a win from senior Lisois Osiar in saber, helped the squad to cut the deficit to 49-39 following the sabre and epee bouts. From there on out, Kiefer and Zeiss took over, winning their four combined bouts by a score of 21-11.

The Irish also saw success in the individual competitions. Of the six tournaments, the Irish claimed three. Meinhardt won the men’s foil competition, while Kiefer won the women’s foil and Nelip won the women’s epee.

“Individually, I think we could have done a little better,” Nelip said. “We have a lot of talent and I think that’s still an area for us to improve.”

Luckily for the Irish, that opportunity is right around the corner. On Sunday, the Irish will compete in the Penn State Open, which is solely an individual tournament.

“We’re going to fence a lot of different schools and we’re going to have an opportunity to compare ourselves to them,” Kaull said. “It’s a last individual check on where you are going into the season, and we’re hoping to do pretty well while we’re there.”

The Irish will look to continue on an impressive start, while also improving on the individual level, on Saturday in the Penn State Open at University Park, Pa.

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figure out the minutes and the roles in the game for 40 minutes," Brey said. "So I think to play against somebody else that will give us another step in evaluating our team early in the year." The Irish return 89 percent of their scoring and 93 percent of their rebounding from last year’s squad that went 22-12 overall and 13-5 in the Big East. Senior forward Jack Cooley, graduate student forward Scott Martin, sophomore guard/forward Pat Connaughton and junior guards Jerian Grant and Eric Atkins will again start for Notre Dame. Senior center Garrick Sherman, who sat out last season after transferring from Michigan State, will be the sixth man, though Brey said he is essentially a “sixth starter.”

Brey will give the majority of the minutes to those six players Monday.

“I want to really get a feel of playing our key guys,” Brey said. “You’ve heard me talk about six starters, those guys who have to get a lot of minutes about six starters, those guys you’ve heard me talk of playing our key guys,” Brey said. "I thought we really, really did well, the two boys who did well actually, shared the left side — [were senior midfielders] Kyle Richard and Bob Novak. Bob started the game and really did well, and then Kyle came on and I thought Kyle had a really good game, maybe one of his best games, so hopefully he’s coming into form. We really need good production from out in that left midfield position.” The Irish will face Syracuse in the first round of the Big East tournament on Saturday in Syracuse, N.Y. The Orange (12-5-0, 5-3-0) are the No. 2 seed in the conference’s Red Division.

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Irish junior defense man Shane Taker skates during Notre Dame’s 4-1 win over Minnesota-Duluth on Oct. 19.

The Irish kept that momentum rolling Saturday, as a break-out performance from freshman center Steven Fogarty propelled Notre Dame to a 3-2 victory. Deadlocked at one in the second period, Fogarty took a pass and fired a wrist shot from the right faceoff dot through the legs of Wildcat junior goaltender Jared Coreau.

Fogarty put the Irish even further ahead nine minutes later, when he chased a rebound on the power play and slung it towards the net, where it deflected off Coreau and in for the score.

The goals were the first two of Fogarty’s short collegiate career, something that Jackson said is a big step in his development.

“I thought” [sophomore midfielder] Jack Cooley still fully realizing his talent, he’s become. It’s really impressive.”

With upperclassmen like Cooley still fully realizing their potential, Brey said his team is not a finished product.

“We understand we have room to improve even though we have veterans back,” Brey said. “I thought for me, he was just winning balls … the player that I thought really stood out was the two boys who did well actually, shared the left side — [were senior midfielders] Kyle Richard and Bob Novak. Bob started the game and really did well, and then Kyle came on and I thought Kyle had a really good game, maybe one of his best games, so hopefully he’s coming into form. We really need good production from out in that left midfield position.”

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Irish senior forward Jack Cooley puts up a shot during Notre Dame’s 67-63 loss to Xavier in the NCAA tournament on March 16.

**MEN’S SOCCER | ND 1, MARQUETTE 1**

By MIKE MONACO
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Two hundred and twenty-seven days later, the road to redemption finally begins.

The No. 22 Irish, who in March were knocked out in the first round of the NCAA tournament, kick off the new season Monday with an exhibition game against Quincy.

Irish coach Mike Brey said his veterans have used last season’s early exit from the tournament as extra motivation and are focused and ready.

“A veteran team that’s very hungry comes back focused, comes back with a chip on their shoulder because they wanted to play deeper in the NCAA tournament,” Brey said. “I have great captains. My leadership is good. They’ve set the tone and I’ve really liked our practices. We’re focused. We’re concentrating.”

Brey said he is looking forward to squaring off with the Hawks, who play in Division II in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, after roughly a dozen practices.

“It’s just good to play against somebody else,” Brey said. “When you have a veteran team banging against each other for two weeks, it gets old really quick.”

Brey said he would use the exhibition game to begin to establish roles and determine playing time. “I think you need to now sit on the same bench and they all need to see what the pecking order is and I need to see Brey Page 18.”

**HOCKEY | ND 5, NORTHERN MICHIGAN 2; ND 3, NORTHERN MICHIGAN 2**

By JACK HEFFERON
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No. 9 Notre Dame had the upper hand in the Upper Peninsula over the weekend, claiming two road wins over No. 16 Northern Michigan to start their last season in the CCHA on the right note.

The perfect weekend started Friday, when the Irish (5-1-0-0-0 CCHA) put together one of their most complete performances of the year in a 5-2 victory. Junior netminder Steven Summerhays made 22 saves in the win, and the defense didn’t allow a goal after the Wildcats (3-3-0, 0-2-0-0) scored twice to end the first period.

Offensively, the team got its five goals from five different scorers, with goals coming both from marquee scorers — like junior center and captain Anders Lee — as well as less-heralded offensive players like junior center David Gerths, who tallied his second goal in as many games.

“That balanced scoring means a lot,” Irish coach Jeff Jackson said. “It takes some of the pressure off of guys like Lee and [junior center] TJ. Tynan, which is important, and shows other teams that we have other guys that can score. If we can get three or four other guys to consistently contribute, that can only make us that much better offensively.”

That play on both ends of the ice left Jackson happy with his team’s performance, although he still found it to be a little less than complete. “I’m very pleased with our play on Friday,” he said. “We still played poorly for the second ten minutes of the first period, but I thought we played the other 50 minutes very well.”

**Irish take two victories**

Irish freshman forward Steven Fogarty moves up the ice during Notre Dame’s 4-1 win over Minnesota-Duluth on Oct. 19.

**Roccaro’s goal beats Syracuse**

By BRIAN HARTNETT
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