ND community supports cancer research

The Bald and the Beautiful fundraiser begins in LaFortune

By CHARITHA ISANAKA
News Writer

Less than a week after members of the Notre Dame community raised money for the American Cancer Society at Relay for Life, students are shaving their heads, cutting their hair and purchasing hair extensions to further support cancer research.

The Bald and the Beautiful (TBAB) fundraiser will begin today at 4 p.m. and run until 10 p.m. in the Sorin and Dooley Rooms of the LaFortune Student Center. TBAB co-chair Betsy McGovern said. It will continue Thursday from 4 to 10 p.m. and Friday from 4 to 8 p.m.

“I am reminded over and over how innately generous and giving people are,” McGovern said. “Local stylists donate hours of their time over the event’s three days and continue to thank us for letting them participate.”

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A participant of last year’s St. Baldrick’s fundraiser titled “The Bald and the Beautiful” has her head shaved to stand in solidarity with those battling cancer.

Professors analyze bombing

By ANNA MARIE JAKUBOWSKI
News Editor

The two bombs at the Boston Marathon on Monday caused not only chaos, but also an explosion of questions and concerns for United States government officials and civilians. The explosions killed three people and injured more than 170, according to the Associated Press. President Barack Obama called the bombing “an act of terrorism” Tuesday.

Law professor Jimmy Gurulé said the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) investigates all terrorism cases. He said the FBI, not Boston police or other Massachusetts law enforcement agencies, will lead the subsequent action.

Gurulé previously served as the Under Secretary for Enforcement during the George W. Bush administration, overseeing the federal law enforcement agencies during the Sept. 11, 2001 bombings of the World Trade Centers. He coordinated the 2001 response efforts of the United States Secret Service; the Customs Service; the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the Financial Crimes...
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Marilynne Robinson will receive a doctor of human letters for her work as an author, the release stated. She won the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for her novel “Gilead,” among other prestigious awards. Her novels, books, essays and articles have earned her a reputation for “rigorous reasoning and a salient moral vision, often drawing from biblical narrative,” the release stated.

Kenneth Stinson, a 1964 Notre Dame graduate, parent and member of the board of trustees, will receive a doctor of laws, according to the release. Stinson is chairman emeritus of Peter Kiewit Sons Inc., a large construction firm, the release stated.

Morton Schapiro will receive a doctor of laws for his work as an expert on the economics of higher education and college finances and affordability, according to the release. Schapiro is currently serving as the 16th president of Northwestern University. He began his career as a faculty member at Williams College in Massachusetts in 1980 and left in 1991 for the University of Southern California, where he taught and served in administrative posts.

University of California President Janet Napolitano will receive a doctor of laws, according to the release. She is also founder and president of the non-profit that provides more than 100 million books to children in need, “First Book,” a non-profit that provides new books to children in need, the release stated.

Jessica Tuchman Mathews, president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, discussed the foreign and domestic policy challenges the United States will face in the next 15 to 20 years at the 19th annual Hesburgh Lecture in Ethics and Public Policy on Tuesday. Mathews’s talk, titled, “Can America Still Answer to History? What’s Gone Missing and How to Get It Back,” focused on six overarching issues, ranging from revitalizing domestic politics to confronting conflicts in the Middle East. Mathews highlighted the inherent uncertainty of foreign international relations as a result of the rapidly-changing global environment.

“Now is an important area of uncertainty, and that is whether the past is any kind of reliable guide to the future,” Mathews said. “Or whether so many things have changed — globalization, the explosion of cyberspace, the interconnectedness of individuals, the development of new asymmetrical technologies such as drones — whether all these changes make the fundamentals of international relations so different that the past is not a useful guide, even as a broad outline.”

Even so, Mathews predict the global political structure could be reasonably forecasted for the next 15 to 20 years, and America would continue to play a leading role in this structure. Since foreign policy is heavily influenced by domestic success, Mathews said the first challenge the United States needed to confront was revitalizing its citizens’ trust in the government and reversing the growing economic inequality.

“Anybody under the age of 40 has lived his or her entire life in a country where the majority of citizens do not trust their national government to do what they think is right,” Mathews said. “Think what it means for the healthy functioning of a democracy if two-thirds to three-quarters of its citizens do not believe that what it does is the right thing most of the time.”

Mathews said reconstructing trust with China is essential in recognizing the rise of another superpower without military conflict, which lacks historical precedent.

“There is a profound sense of mistrust between the [United States] and China, mostly on the Chinese side,” Mathews said. “This comes in part from United States’ military posture that constantly provokes China’s defense and other nations’ naval operations right up to the 12-mile limit. Imagine how we would feel if Chinese planes and ships were doing the same off our coasts.”

Mathews said it was necessary to find a peaceful solution, incentivized by the effective deconstruction of sanctions, for Iran’s nuclear enrichment program goals. She said there must also be an even-handed, clear-eyed effort toward Israeli-Palestinian coexistence. Furthermore, she said implementing an American military exit from Afghanistan would create the possibility of a peaceful solution to the war.

Mathews said confronting climate change is critical. “This is primarily a matter of overcoming the ill-informed and often foolish fears at home who have kept us from acting on what we expertly-forsworn-research tells us is so clearly true,” she said. “We may be quite near a tipping point, however, where local impacts in the United States make it possible to overcome this unfortunate state of affairs. But we may also be near the moment where some global tipping points will occur that will accelerate the changes that we will have to cope with.”

Despite the issues the United States will face in the coming two decades, Mathews said the nation has a sufficiently strong foundation to address and overcome these challenges.

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and the Beautiful challenges our culture’s narrow view of external beauty.

“I consider myself a feminist and I am not afraid to say it,” Alexander said. “It means equality for all genders. One of the reasons women are not treated equally is because a lot of times they are treated based on their looks.”

Alexander said she has encouraged Saint Mary’s women to participate in the event, whether they have a family member battling cancer or not.

“This is a great cause,” Alexander said. “You do not have to have a loved one diagnosed with cancer to raise funds for [cancer] research. This event allows you to be a visual symbol for cancer research.”

Sophomore Molly Smith said she is participating in this year’s event to raise awareness of childhood cancer and show her support for those affected by this disease. She said she will be shaving her head this Friday at 5 p.m.

“I want to do it because as a healthy young adult I feel it is something I can give of myself,” Smith said. “I think too often I take my health for granted. Shaving my head is a small way to show cancer patients and all that are affected by the disease that I support them.”

Smith said she has personally seen the negative effects of cancer and these experiences pushed her to fundraise for the event.

Two of my aunts are breast-cancer survivors and they both lost their hair when they were going through chemo,” Smith said. “My doctor died this year because of cancer, and that also reaffirmed my decision to raise funds for research.”

Smith said she wanted to shave her head last year but was told she came aware of The Bald and the Beautiful. She said she joined the TBAB committee this year to involve more girls in the fundraising process. Six girls registered to shave their heads this year, McGovern said. Kucela said people are more willing to donate to a girl who shaves her head.

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service event at Notre Dame, McGovern said. Proceeds from the event support St. Baldrick’s Foundation, Memorial Hospital of South Bend and Pantene BeautifulLengths, a partnership between Pantene and the American Cancer Society.

McGovern, a senior, said this year’s goal is to raise $50,000 and donate more than 100 ponytails to Pantene Beautiful Lengths. Anyone who wants to shave his or her head must donate a minimum of $10, she said. Participants may also purchase hair extensions for $10 or donate eight inches of their hair.

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Because the government is treating the bombings as a terrorist attack, Davis said they will be able to overstep certain civil liberties in response to the threat. These liberties are enumerated in the Patriot Act, passed in October 2001 in the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001.

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Davis said the sheer volume of media coverage of the attack, such as video footage of the explosions, will contribute to increased anxiety and “sensitizing people to their vulnerabilities.”

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Dave said American society is “very vulnerable” to terrorist attacks partly because of the freedoms its citizens enjoy, and both domestic and international terrorist organizations can sometimes use these freedoms and liberties against the nation.

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Enforcement Network, among other groups. He now teaches a course on terrorism in Notre Dame’s Law School.

Gurulé said terrorism is defined as crimes directed against civilians. He said civilians were clearly the target of Monday’s bombing.

“It appears that the attack was intended to instill fear and terrorize a civilian population,” he said. “The motivation was to cause panic and destabilize the community and, perhaps, to influence government policy or conduct. However, the investigation is in its early stages, and we have to be careful to not rush to judgment.”

No information has been released yet concerning potential suspects or perpetrators, but the FBI has already begun investigating whether the attack is foreign or domestic in origin, according to the Associated Press.

“A good argument could be made that the perpetrators are home-grown or ‘lone-wolf’ terrorists born, raised and educated in the United States,” Gurulé said. “Such individuals may have had access to terrorist websites and embraced a terrorist organization’s radical ideology.”

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While thinking of what to write for this column, I came across Kaitlyn Rabach’s Inside Column from a few days ago. She wrote about her first experience with guns and how it changed her outlook on the gun-owning community. This caught my attention because of my own experience with guns and shooting range communities.

I have been involved in competitive shooting since I was approximately 10 years old and have reached the qualification of Distinguished Expert with a Rifle in the National Rifle Association. In 2007, I also competed and placed in the Junior World Championship of Skeet Shooting. Like Kaitlyn noted, the first time I visited a gun range, I became part of a welcoming and fun community of people who all shared a common interest in shooting.

With the recent headlines of news about gun-related deaths, many people have formed negative opinions about gun owners and ranges. When the thought of gun ownership, many people immediately think of tragic events like the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting and associate all guns with this type of event. While this tragedy did happen, please don’t confuse this with the dangers of a mental health issue rather than a gun issue.

I am happy Kaitlyn was able to experience a day at the range. It is even better she was able to use her observations to influence her opinion on guns and the legislation surrounding them today. In her column she said, “now my support [for gun-related legislation] will not be strictly based on what I have read or been told about the gun range, I became part of a welcoming and fun community of people who all shared a common interest in shooting.”

I love when people try to guess my middle name. It’s one of my favorite, introductory, “get-to-know-you” type games. Normally, however, my question is met with blank stares. Unsurprisingly, or admirably-willing companions, however, will begin to list names like “Patrick,” “James” or “William.” But frustration always lurks around the corner, too, as a few harmless names turn into brow-furrowing lists.

I am sure I have not charmed all these newfound acquaintances with my attempts at fun. (Perhaps I have even lost a few “to-be” friends, although I don’t have any empirical data to support that.) No matter when the white flag of surrender is tossed, however, I always share my middle name at the end: Mariscalco. M-A-R-I-S-C-A-L-C-O. My full name is Scott Mariscalco Boyle.

When I was a kid, the color wheel of my face would immediately spin to red when others inquired about my middle name. It’s a name that reminds me of the importance of family, a name that connects me to many generations of Mariscalcos and to Sicily, a place they once called home.

I have been thinking recently about the importance of names, especially as we learn more details about the tragedy that occurred during the Boston Marathon last just two days ago.

Joking from the last week and a half of Viewpoint publications, Notre Dame students have a lot to say about marriage equality. For it, against it, or somewhere in between. Our Lady’s campus holds a diversity of opinions on legalizing marriage equality.

This week, the Core Council for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning students invites you to set aside the politics — and the division — surrounding marriage equality. We invite you, regardless of your opinions on marriage equality, to participate in the St. Patrick Against Hate 2013. Core Council presents a week of programing which aims to show acts of hatred, especially acts of hatred expressed to the LGBTQ community, have no place in our community. This week isn’t about politics. It’s about love.

Tonight, Core Council and Campus Ministry together are holding a prayer service at 8:30 p.m. We invite you to join us and unite in prayer with the Notre Dame family.

Tonight, we will be praying for those in the LGBTQ community who suffer hatred and persecution because of their identity.

We will be praying for those individu¬als still in the closet — those afraid to confront and speak openly about their sexuality or gender identity.

We will be praying for those individu¬als who are in the process of coming out to their families.

We will be praying for those fami¬lies, who hold a son, daughter, sister, brother, father, mother or other family member who is in the process of com¬ing out.

We will be praying we, as a commu¬nity, can create a safe space for those who identify as LGBTQ.

We will be praying our community continues to grow into a family where none are strangers and all may flourish.

Whether or not you support legalizing marriage equality — whether or not you were a member of the 4 to 5 Movement — whether or not you, or someone close to you, identifies as LGBTQ — whether or not you know an individual who identifies as LGBTQ — join us in prayer tonight.
Matt Miklavic

This isn’t the column I was supposed to write. This was supposed to be funny. I was supposed to joke about dorm parties and burning my textbooks, writing obituaries.

No, that occasionally wells up in my eyes. That is not the column I was supposed to write.

It’s hard to write jokes while some are waking up with limbs. It’s hard to write jokes because humor is buried beneath a list of other emotions right now. It’s beneath the anger. It’s beneath the sadness that occasionally wells up in my eyes. It did not take long for most of us to find out about the bombings in Boston. For me, it started with a few texts. “Oh my god!” “This is crazy.” “Boston.” I had no idea what they were talking about. Soon enough, I learned. And I wasn’t sure what to believe. I grabbed my phone.

I called my sister, who was supposed to meet her roommate at the finish line. No answer. I texted her. Some part of my brain told me the odds were overwhelming she was unharmed. She wrote back and told me she had nothing to worry about. It was a lie. That was the first time I let the news sink in. It was the first time, the wounds will heal. In time, it will get better. We find strength in this hope. We find strength in tales of marathoners continuing on and refusing to let terror reign over us.

My uncle was three-fifths of a mile from the finish line. He had been running for 20 years. It was Marathon Monday. Thousands of people trained for days, building up muscle mass and endurance in hopes of not hitting the wall when they climbed the infamous “Heartbreak Hill” 20 miles into the race. Everyone in Boston has a story when it comes to the Marathon; at home, I usually endure the annual ritual of listening to my dad reminiscing about how he snuck in and ran the entire 26.2 miles without a number. Even if you never ran the race, you probably sat down in lawn chairs along the route and cheered on the runners at least once in your life. Nobody cares about who is in the lead or bets on who will win; the Boston Marathon is first and foremost about community.

When I first heard about the bombings, I immediately called my parents to see if they were alright. My friends and I felt like zombies, running frantically without a goal. We were being uiued to turn our rage into rage.

I want to feel anger, not grief, nor guilt nor fear. I want to feel the same way that I felt Monday morning. I want to write jokes. And I will. For Boston, it might take time, but life will continue. That is not to say we will forget what happened — we cannot. Those responsible will inevitably be brought to justice. But soon enough, people will return to Boylston Street, the Red Sox will again fill Fenway and summer will again descend upon the city. Smiles, laughter and happiness will return to the streets. In time, the wounds will heal. In time, it will get better.

Hold on to hope

Matt Miklavic
The Main Idea

‘What it means to be made in God’s image’

My uncle was three-fifths of a mile from the finish line. He had been running for 20 years. It was Marathon Monday. Thousands of people trained for days, building up muscle mass and endurance in hopes of not hitting the wall when they climbed the infamous “Heartbreak Hill” 20 miles into the race. Everyone in Boston has a story when it comes to the Marathon; at home, I usually endure the annual ritual of listening to my dad reminiscing about how he snuck in and ran the entire 26.2 miles without a number. Even if you never ran the race, you probably sat down in lawn chairs along the route and cheered on the runners at least once in your life. Nobody cares about who is in the lead or bets on who will win; the Boston Marathon is first and foremost about community.

However, the most common response I heard was some part of my brain told me the odds were overwhelming she was unharmed. She wrote back and told me she had nothing to worry about. It was a lie. That was the first time I let the news sink in. It was the first time, the wounds will heal. In time, it will get better. We find strength in this hope. We find strength in tales of marathoners continuing on and refusing to let terror reign over us.

We find hope in common people displaying uncommon courage, in the ordinary being extraordinary. We can find strength in this hope. We find strength in continuing on and refusing to let terror reign over us.

We can all learn from this act of terror. We can talk to those we love, mindful of the fleeting time we have here. We can seek to do better in our lives. We can get up tomorrow and live fully, finding hope in our humanity and strength in our collective ability. We can laugh, love and cry. We can live our lives with purpose and happiness, refusing to bend to those who would have us change our ways.

Ultimately, I don’t want to feel anger, nor grief, nor guilt nor fear. I want to feel the same way that I felt Monday morning. I want to write jokes. And I will. For Boston, it might take time, but life will continue. That is not to say we will forget what happened — we cannot. Those responsible will inevitably be brought to justice. But soon enough, people will return to Boylston Street, the Red Sox will again fill Fenway and summer will again descend upon the city. Smiles, laughter and happiness will return to the streets. In time, the wounds will heal. In time, it will get better.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

April 16

Dear Editor,

I am grateful that none of my family or friends died or were injured in the Boston Marathon bombings, but I realize that this is not the case with everyone. To those who are deeply affected by this tragedy, I cannot begin to fathom how sad or angry you must feel. If my story cannot bring you to turn your hate into love, then perhaps the examples of the heroes in Boston will. From policemen and paramedics to runners and passers-by, many a Bostonian still managed to show their love for others immediately following the explosions. Just hours afterward, hundreds of people offered their homes for runners and others to stay in. In the face of discord, they showed that we are still united in the Bostonian family. If our family back home and the ND family can mend all wounds and bring everyone closer together, then we, God willing, can hope to bring everyone in the human family into deeper relationships out of love for one another.

Jimmy Kelly
sophomore
Morrisey Manor
I have always seen my hair as an integral part of my identity—not only my identity, really, but also my self-esteem. A bad hair day has an impact on my view of myself, undoubtedly. A good hair day is cause for celebration. Beyond how my hair looks, I tend to twist my hair subconsciously all the time when I’m thinking (which I do more than you would think). It’s definitely my grown-up security blanket, as well as my most principal accessory.

Without a doubt, I would wager I am far from the only one who feels this way. Most girls (and some guys) do, too. And yet, by putting such weight on the value of hair, we lose sight of what is truly beautiful.

Love, kindness and charity make us far more beautiful than any hairstyle ever could. And this week, we all have the opportunity to become more beautiful by giving our hair away.

The Bald and the Beautiful began as a way to commemorate Sam Marx, a Notre Dame student who died during the summer after his freshman year, following a hard battle with cancer. What began as a small group of people shaving their heads to raise money and awareness has turned into the largest campus-wide charity event run by students.

When a wonderful friend of mine, Colleen McLinden, with hair akin to the princess from “Brave,” decided to shave her head for the Bald and the Beautiful this week, I started to think about my own hair. Although I take pride in my long, some would say luscious (others would say unruly), locks, I would be much happier knowing a young girl with cancer could take pride in my hair instead. And that’s why I’m planning on donating eight to 10 inches of my hair tomorrow night.

For those of you who would like to be totally amazing and donate your hair to Pantene Beautiful Lengths or would like to be absolutely phenomenal and shave your head for the St. Baldrick’s Foundation, you can sign up at nd.edu/~tbab. The Bald and the Beautiful will take place today through Friday in the Sorin and Dooley Rooms in the LaFortune Student Center from 4 to 8 p.m.

If you would like to participate in the event, there are three ways in which you can help the cause:

- First, you can donate your hair. You must donate at least eight inches and you cannot have dyed your hair to be eligible. Pantene Beautiful Lengths, a partnership between Pantene and the American Cancer Society, will turn your donation into a wig for cancer patients.
- Second, you can shave your head. Preliminary qualification: you must be awesome. Your awesomeness will allow for more cancer research to be done by the lovely folks at St. Baldrick’s.
- Third, if you’re not able to donate your hair or shave your head, you can still be part of the Bald and the Beautiful. You can buy colored hair extensions for $10 individually, or you can buy three for $25. All profits from these purchases will go to Memorial Hospital of South Bend.

I cannot imagine how hard it must be for those enduring chemotherapy and radiation. To watch each lock of hair that falls sadly from their heads must be a terrifying reminder of their situation and their struggle. I could not be happier to give my own hair in honor of every lock they lose during their courageous battles against cancer. Hopefully, the Notre Dame community will come together again in support, ready to do the same.

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The Bald and the Beautiful

Where: Wednesday, April 17 - Friday, April 19
Where: Sorin and Dooley Rooms in the LaFortune Student Center
What time: 4 - 8 p.m.
Sign up at: nd.edu/~tbab
By ALLIE TOLLAKSEN
Scene Writer

Stand-up comedian Brian Regan will make another stop in South Bend on Sunday, April 28, at the Morris Performing Arts Center. Regan has been on tour in 2013, performing one-night shows in theaters across the United States. He said he is excited to come back to South Bend after he performed here in September 2011.

“I haven’t released a new CD this year,” Regan said, “but I like to think that people will come who have seen me before and see something new. . . . It might not be funny, but at least the audience will leave thinking, ‘Well that was new!’”

Of course, Regan is as funny (and self-deprecating) in his interview as he is on stage. This kind of humor has established him among the most popular comedians today.

One thing that makes Regan’s humor so popular is its accessibility. From family dinners to spelling bees, he jokes about everyday things almost any audience can relate to. Yet, although his act isn’t vulgar like those of many comedians today, still hesitate to describe it as “family-friendly.” Regan said he does not call it “family-friendly,” either.

“I cringe at ‘family friendly’ and I cringe at the word ‘clean,’ although I think that can describe me,” he explained. “I don’t like to put labels on it. I think comedy is hard to describe, like music or architecture.”

Regan certainly knows a thing or two about the art of comedy— he has been doing stand-up for over 30 years. Throughout this time, he has stayed true to stand-up— touring regularly, filming Comedy Central specials and releasing material to his fans. He has also developed a unique style of comedy and a large following.

Regan said people still ask him to describe his technique.

“I used to have a joke answer that my comedy was Kierkegaardian with Machiavellian undertones, but then people started taking that seriously. Interviewers would say ‘Oh, I see it now,’ Regan said, laughing. ‘I stopped because people started taking that seriously. But if you’re a comedian you’re always trying to prove how hip you are. . . .’ I’m like, ‘Just go with it, guys,’ and they would yell, ‘We’ve been with you the whole day!’”

Regan encouraged aspiring comedians to always keep trying. And after decades of experience in the world of stand-up, Brian Regan is certainly a perfect example of a comedian who never calls it quits. With his hilarious stories and incredible following, he’s one comedian who will never have to.

Brian Regan will be at the Morris Performing Arts Center on Sunday, April 28 at 7 p.m.

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By MIKO MALABUTE
Scene Writer

As I sat listening to Kid Cudi’s newest release to write this review, my friend David asked me what I was listening to. “Kid Cudi’s newest album. Just came out.”

“Oh, no way. What’s it called?”

“Indicud.”

“Oh, God, no.”

To be fair, David had an excellent point. Following Cudi’s last misplaced effort at imitating a musical purist, “WZRD,” it was really easy to have our reservations about Cudi’s newest independent release. With “WZRD,” Cudi had a compilation ofspacer, out-of-character tracks that alienated us as fans of the man behind “Man on the Moon” — both “MOTM” and “MOTM II.” Then, with out warning — let alone apology — Cudi decided to continue to forge on forward and asked his fans to continue to follow along on his journey away from “Mr. Rager” to this new “Indicud.”

A look into the very beginning of the album doesn’t really seek to ease my own discomfort as a fan, as this foreign, unfamiliar territory Cudi has squatted in continues to manifest itself in his sound. To me, the opening track, “The Resurrection of Scott Mescudi,” feels like anything but. Rather, this song feels like it is no longer Kid Cudi, but rather Adolescent-Individualistic-Rebellious Cudi. He seems to be absolutely begging for an audience to acknowledge he’s different and doesn’t follow the mainstream. Grow up (or down, I guess), Cudi, because this isn’t you. Just stop trying to prove how hip you are.

Two tracks down, and I’m smiling in spite of what I’ve heard thus far because of the familiar sounds of the determined, steady synths. Cudderback. The song “Just What I Am” re-unveils an unashamed, unabashed Cudi in his element. This is the Cudi we all love, poking his chest out, saying “I’m what you made God, [expletive], yes, I’m so odd.”

Now, this is not to say Cudi has decided to take out a page from his own bestseller “MOTM” book with “Indicud.” This is still Cudi’s realm of confusion. For every song like “Young Lady” (featuring Fr. John Misty) that shows glimpses of Cudi’s light-hearted, fun-loving, musical self, there are also songs that leave me scratching my head. Songs like “King Wizard” and “Mad Solar” feature a Cudi that seems to almost try too hard. The beats are often underwhelming and repetitive. Guest features here and there from RZA in “Breez,” Kendrick Lamar in “Solo Dolo Pt. II” and Michael Bolton and King Chip in “Afterwards (Bring Yo Friends)” truly allow this project to shine and showcase Cudi’s versatility. But it still feels like there are more than a handful of songs that need to be grown into.

“Indicud” is a mixed product, one that I enjoy in its most brilliant moments and shy away from during its most obscure. Cudi might have morphed into a new artist, one that feels at times frustratingly inconsistent, yet there is still enough here to keep me interested. So, congratulations, Cudi. You’ve shown your fans you’ve done a bit of growing. Now, what’s next?

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“Indicud”

Kid Cudi

Label: Wicked Awesome Records

Tracks: “Just What I Am,” “King Wizard” and “Young Lady”

If you like: Kanye West, Wiz Khalifa and Kendrick Lamar

SAM COUGHLIN | The Observer
Welcome back “football”

Sam Gans
Sports Writer

What is the purpose of college football spring games?
I’ve found myself asking this question a lot more in recent years. I’m not sure why, but I think it might be because it seems like the people who run the programs aren’t regulating them to accommodate television. Many programs do offense against the regulation length to accurately convey what is the traditional spring game.
And I am one of those people. I’ve seen at least parts of numerous spring games through-out the nation this year and will be in attendance for the Blue-Gold game this year. Why for something that doesn’t matter?
Well first, it’s hard to know if that whole statement about the spring game not meaning anything is even fully truthful. Brian Kelly’s rationale for why Everett Golson got the first crack with the first team at the beginning of fall practice last year? “He had the better spring game in our evaluation.” That, of course, did not win Golson the job, but it did give him a leg up. So there’s at least a small bit in these intrasquad scrimmages that fans can take away. Though there’s the pressure of winning and losing in a spring game, it’s really only the time of the whole year, besides actual games that count, where players are thrust into a giant spotlight in front of tens of thousands of fans and many more watching at home. And that pressure can be useful for a coaching staff in determining who can compete on fall Saturdays. Spring game performances for numerous players on teams throughout America have propelled them into more prominent roles heading into fall practice. Therefore, I’m not sure I completely buy the notion spring games mean nothing to coaches. But second, even if they don’t reveal much, who cares? It’s a long journey from the beginning of fall until the very end of August. That’s eight months without college football games that count, so the scrimmages at least provide fans some hitting and tackling again and help bridge that long gap. So do spring games mean anything? Can we take any meaningful information away? The answer to both those questions is maybe a little, but not much. It is football. And after more than three months of no college football and more than four months until North Carolina visits South Carolina on Aug. 29, I’m not complaining about getting some relief from the withdrawal for a couple of weeks.

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SPORTS

MLB

Resurgent Red Sox rally for Boston

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Jon Lester has felt pride when slipping on his Boston jersey and cap. Never more than now.
Away from home and family members they worried about during some anxious moments on Monday, the Red Sox are hoping their return to the field Tuesday night will help their wounded city heal after the marathon bombings.
As always, the Red Sox will play for themselves — and all of Boston.
“It really hits home,” Lester said. “Boston’s my home, just like everyone else in this clubhouse. It’s obviously not a good situation, but hopefully like 9/11 we come together as a city again and as a nation and whoever did this make them realize we don’t take kindly to things like this really hits home.”
The Red Sox and Indians will wear black armbands to honor the victims of the bombings at the Boston Marathon’s finish line. Three people were killed and more than 170 were injured in the attacks.
The giant American flag flew at half-staff before the series opener with a moment of silence before Tuesday’s first pitch.

“It’s obviously not a good situation, but hopefully like 9/11 we come together as a city again and as a nation...”
Jon Lester
Red Sox pitcher

Lester said there was never any discussion about not playing Tuesday’s game.
“I think everybody just assumed we would take the field tonight and be proud to put on that Boston uniform, like we are every day — but especially with everything going on,” he said.
On Monday, the Red Sox had just beat Tampa 3-2 on an RBI double by Mike Napoli in the ninth inning in the annual Patriots’ Day morning game and were in a bus headed to the airport when they received the first reports of explosions near the finish line.
“We usually have a police escort and they took off without us,” Lester said. “We started asking questions and it came from the front and went to the back.”
Lester said players frantically called family members to check on their safety. Later, on the flight to Cleveland, players who normally pass the time by watching a movie or playing a game on their laptops, were glued to TVs showing the latest events in Boston.
Indian manager Terry Francona, who won two World Series titles during his 12 seasons in Boston, said he got word while he was Progressive Field filming a commercial. As he caught up on the tragedy, Francona was struck the familiar images appearing on the screen.
“It’s personal for just about everybody,” he said. “Some of those views you could see the church where my daughter got married. It’s very unsettling for everybody.”

With the Bruins and Celtics having their homes games scratched because of the attacks, the Red Sox can bring some comfort to a region needing a break.
“When it comes down to anything in life, I know going back to my experiences with cancer,” said Lester, who survived the disease. “The further you can get away from that and not think about it, it eases your mind and maybe you can do that by taking the field and easing some minds back in Boston. We can give them something other than news to watch for a couple hours and hopefully make people forget for a couple hours. Hopefully, we can bust our butts and keep playing hard.”

One TV in Boston’s club-house continued to show images of the bombings, which occurred on sidewalks many of the players have walked with their families.
Boston outfielder Jonny Gomes said he and his teammates have “heavy hearts” as they move forward. However, Gomes said it’s not like anyone from that area of the country to quit at anything, and it’s up to the Red Sox to do their part to make Boston whole again.
“We’re trying to say the Boston Red Sox are not laying down for this,” he said. “We’re going to keep on trucking.”

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Francona loses first game against former team

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — A night packed with emotion for Indians manager Terry Francona had a trace of frustration.

Cleveland starter Ubaldo Jimenez walked five — two with the bases loaded — and allowed seven runs in two innings as the Indians were beaten 7-2 on Tuesday night by the Boston Red Sox, who were hoping to provide some comfort and a distraction for folks at home following the deadly bombings.

Francona's first game against his former team took on a somber tone following Monday's attacks in Boston, where three people were killed and more than 170 injured in blasts near the marathon's finish line. Francona remains fond of the city, where he spent eight years and where one of his daughters got married not far from the area bombed.

Before the game, Francona was moved by a moment of silence for the victims.

"You get so ramped up for a baseball game because it's so important to us and then you look up and realize why you're having a moment of silence," Francona said. "If you need perspective it gives it to you in a hurry."

The Indians were behind quickly as Jimenez (0-2), who reputed the side in order in the first, fell apart in the second.

He walked in two runs, gave up a sacrifice fly and an RBI single and left the bases loaded for Cody Allen, who allowed Mike Napoli's three-run double.

Francona is trying to be supportive of Jimenez, who fell to 1-12 with a 7.27 ERA in 17 starts since last July.

"You can get frustrated or you can try to make it better," Francona said. "We choose to try and make it better. As long as he keeps working, we're going to work hard. We want to get it right."

Jimenez, who led the AL with 17 losses last season, offered no excuses for another poor outing.

"That's probably about as low as I can get, five walks in one inning," he said. "I don't want to keep going down. Things aren't going good right now. The last two games have been really bad. I felt good in the first inning but after that I just lost it."

Staked to the big lead, Felix Doubront (1-0) settled in and allowed two runs and four hits in five innings. He struck out seven.

Monday's tragic events in Boston brought a somber tone to Francona's reunion as well as to the Red Sox. Before the game, in a clubhouse devoid of its usual pregame sound and bustle, Francona did all he could to make the visitors welcome. A young Indians fan presented Francona with No. 617 — Boston's area code — above their bench during the game as a reminder that they were playing for more than each other.

For Francona, there will be an other day to reflect and get nostalgic about his years in Boston.

This wasn't the time or place. Francona did all he could to downplay his first meeting against the Red Sox since he was fired following the 2011 season, when Boston collapsed down the stretch.

The year he spent working as an ESPN analyst may have helped heal some of the hurt feelings, but Francona knows things will be different on Cleveland's visit to Boston next month.

"We're not in Boston. I had mostly eight really good years there," he said. "I don't think I would've scripted the end the way it ended. And you move on. Sometimes it's time to move on. I'm really happy where I'm at here, and I think it's unfair to the players for me to have like nostalgia week."

"Our job is to beat them. And it's 'em.'"
Announcer Pat Summerall dies

Associated Press

DALLAS — Pat Summerall was the calm alongside John Madden’s storm.

Over four decades, Summerall’s deep, resonant voice described some of the biggest games in America. Simple, spare, he delivered the details on 16 Super Bowls, the Masters and the U.S. Open tennis tournament with a measured style that was the perfect complement for the “booms!” and “bangs!” of Madden, his partner for half of the NFL play-turned-broad-caster’s career.

Summerall died Tuesday at age 82 of cardiac arrest, said University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center spokesman Jeff Carlton, speaking on behalf of Summerall’s wife, Cheryl. “He was an extraordinary man and a wonderful father,” said Susan Wiles, his daughter. “I know he will be greatly missed.”

Summerall went on to play two other sports besides Madden were succinct, of course, as he called the game-ending field goal of the Super Bowl for Fox on Feb. 3, 2002, when New England beat St. Louis 20-17.

It’s right down the pipe. Adam Vinatieri. No time for the clock.

And the Patriots have won Super Bowl XXXVI.

Unbelievable,” Summerall said.

Spare, exciting, perfect.

A flawless summation without distorting from the reaction viewers could see on the screen.

At the end of their final broadcast together, Madden described Summerall as “a treasure” and the “spirit of the National Football League” in a tribute to the partner that complemented the boisterous former Oakland Raiders coach so well.

As what is the NFL all about, what pro football is all about, and more important, what a man is all about and what a gentleman is all about,” Madden said.

As former teammate and broadcaster Frank Gifford put it in an accompanying video tribute: “America is very comfortable with Pat Summerall.”

Summerall played 10 NFL seasons (1952-61) with the Chicago Cardinals and New York Giants, but it was in his second career that he became a voice familiar to generations of sports fans, not only those of the NFL.

“Pat was a friend of nearly 40 years,” CBS Sports broadcaster Verne Lundquist said. “He was a master of restraint in his commentary, an example for all of us. He was also one of the greatest storytellers who ever spoke into a microphone.”

Summerall started doing NFL games for CBS in 1964, and became a play-by-play guy 10 years later. He was also part of CBS’s coverage of the PGA Tour, including the Masters from 1968-84, and U.S. Open tennis.

When CBS lost its NFL deal after the 1989 season, Summerall switched to Fox to keep calling NFL games with Madden. He had hoped to keep working with CBS for other events like the Masters, but network executives saw it otherwise. At the time, CBS Sports anchor Jim Nantz said he was “very saddened” that Summerall didn’t get to leave CBS under his own terms.

“He is CBS Sports. I always thought he could work here until he was 75 or 80 years old,” Nantz told The Philadelphia Daily News then. “He’s been a much larger influence on my career than I think he realizes. There will be a piece of Pat Summerall on the air as long as I do golf for this network.”

A recovering alcoholic, Summerall had a liver transplant in April 2004. The lifesaving surgery was so painful that he could barely move his arm for nearly 12 years of sobriety.

After an intervention involving, among others, former NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle, former CBS Sports President Peter Lund and former PGA Tour Commissioner Deane Beaman, Summerall checked into the Betty Ford Clinic in April 1992. “I had no intention of quitting, I was having too good a time,” Summerall said in a 2000 Associated Press story. “The prescribed stay at Betty Ford is 28 days. They kept me 33 because I was so angry at the people who did the intervention, the first five days didn’t do me any good.”

Summerall received the liv- er of a 13-year-old junior high football player from Arkansas who died unexpectedly from an aneurysm. Summerall had an emotional meeting with the teenager’s family the following year.

Summerall often shared his testimony with Christian groups and told his story when speaking before other organizations. In his 2006 book, “Summerall: On and Off The Air,” he frankly discussed his personal struggles and professional successes.

Long before broadcasting Super Bowl games, 16 for television and 10 for radio — in fact, before there was even a Super Bowl — Summerall played a role in what is known in football circles as “The Greatest Game Ever Played,” the 1958 NFL championship. The Giants lost to the Baltimore Colts 43-17 in the NFL’s first-ever overtime game.

Born George Allen Summerall on May 10, 1930, in Lake City, Fla., he was an All-State prep football and basketball player there, and lettered in baseball and tennis. He played college football at Arkansas before going to the NFL.

Burke leads Belles to win

By CASEY KARNES

Sports Writer

The Belles’ return to conference play on Tuesday produced mixed results, as they split their doubleheader with Calvin, losing 6-2 before prevailing 3-2 in the second game.

The Knights (12-10, 3-5 MIAA) overwhelmed usually stalwart ju- nior Belles pitcher Calie Seloor in game one. Calvin junior pitcher Lina Avila created some breathing room in the circle by hitting a two-run home run in the first inning. She ended up 3-for-4 at the plate, and only allowed the Belles two hits from the mound.

The only players with hits for the Belles were freshman first baseman Jillian Rusfield and Seiler. Rusfield hit a team-leading seventh home run to drive in the Belles’ only runs of the 8-2 loss.

One bright spot in game one for the Belles (13-11, 3-1) was the pitchers’ successful containment of Calvin junior third baseman Janelle Agren, the MIAA player of the week. She went 1-4 in game one before freshman pitcher Brooke Anderson knocked her hitless in game two. Belles coach Erin Sullivan complimented the freshman’s cool performance and the way her teammates backed her up.

“Burke had excellent run support (behind her),” Sullivan said. “She was able to move the ball well and set up hitters for easy outs.”

At the start of game two, it didn’t look like Burke would have a suc- cessful outing, as Avila led off the second inning with a home run for the Knights. Burke rebounded, but Calvin retained a 2-0 lead as late as the top of the fifth, and it seemed Burke’s strong performance in the circle would be for naught.

Sullivan said the Belles’ game plan is always to take advantage of opponents’ errors, and which the team tried to do when they rallied in the fifth after freshman outfielder Sarah Callis reached on an error, and then scored. Senior shortstop and captain Emily Sherwood gave the Belles the 3-2 lead with a go-ahead two-run single.

After a gutsy performance, Sullivan said she wasn’t worried about her team as it heads further into the grind of conference play and re- scheduled games.

“The only thing I am concerned about is missed class time nearing the end of the semester,” Sullivan said. “I believe we are strong enough both physically and mentally to play several days in a row.”

The Belles will next play Thursday at home against Kalamazoo at 3:30 p.m.

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“Offensively, we chipped away to find a way to put runs on the board which is always successful.”

Brittany O’Donnell
Senior Pitcher

held on to win.

“Offensively, we chipped away to find a way to put runs on the board, which is always successful,” O’Donnell said.

Notre Dame will next face its in-state opponent, Valparaiso, at home Thursday at 5 p.m.

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Saint Mary’s sweeps Adrian

By D.H. Kim
Sports Writer

Coming off a close conference win against Alma in Michigan, the Belles hosted Adrian on Tuesday at the Saint Mary’s tennis courts and dominated 6-0 to extend their win streak to three.

The Belles (9-5, 4-1 MIAA) swept their three doubles matches, as No. 1 doubles led by junior Mary Catherine Fallar and sophomore Kayle Sexton won 8-2. Belles coach Dale Campbell was impressed at his team’s sweep and said this success resulted from the early aggressiveness in match play.

“We basically played aggressively and took control from the start of doubles which led to the decisive victory,” Campbell said.

The Belles also excelled in their singles matches, where they won three contests. Campbell was especially pleased at Sexton and sophomore Jackie Kjdhede’s singles performances against Adrian (7-9, 6-0).

“No. 2 doubles played excellent and Kayle Sexton had a convincing match at No. 2 singles, as well as Jackie Kjdhede at No. 5 singles,” Campbell said.

Company also added his team wasn’t too excited about the win as Adrian was one of the least competitive teams on the Belles’ schedule.

“It was a match where we had to take care of business as the first goal and try for our upcoming matches,” Campbell said. “We will play perhaps the No. 1 team in the conference this Saturday at Hope so we have to get ready for that.”

The Belles will prepare to take on their hardest conference opponent thus far when they face Hope, who is undefeated in MIAA play, on Saturday at the DeVitt Tennis Center in Holland, Mich.

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Belles hope for strong qualifier

Observers Staff Report

Following last Saturday’s snow out at the Dutch Spring Invitational at the Ravines Golf Club in Saugatuck, Mich., the Belles will end their 10-day break with the first of three MIAA NCAA Qualifiers at South Bend’s Blackhorn Golf Club.

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Irish senior outfielder Kelsey Thornton rounds third during Notre Dame’s 9-3 win against Villanova on April 7.

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in a fall scrimmage against Detroit from his stomach. From there, things only got better, as he netted four goals in his first collegiate game against then-No. 9 Duke, then four more against North Carolina. Now, Corrigan can’t imagine the offense without him.

“When we’re playing good offense, Matt is even better,” Corrigan said. “When the offense is moving, ... Matt’s going to find spots to make plays. He puts himself in the middle of things a lot. For me, he’s the canary in the coal mine. When he’s scoring goals, that means we’re playing good offense.”

Kavanagh has often provided the offense with a spark when it needs it most. Down 2-0 late in the second quarter against Rutgers, it was Kavanagh who broke through to get the Irish going and avoid the upset. Again down against Georgetown, 5-2, Kavanagh once more started a scoring run that put the Irish ahead and in line for the victory.

Kavanagh and the rest of the Irish will look to extend their winning streak to four games when they face Villanova on Saturday.

The Irish will square off against the Wildcats at 2 p.m. at Arlotta Stadium.

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poorly,” Aoki said. “I was impressed with the way he threw his fastball — it had good life. He just wasn’t getting the results, and he was just not making a few of those put-away pitches that we needed.”

Freshman right-hander David Hearne finished the game with a clean 1.2 innings, surrendering just one hit.

Michigan designated hitter Kevin White was responsible for much of the damage done by the Wolverine lineup. White went 4-for-4 on the afternoon and scored two runs.

It looked like the Irish might have broken up Bourque’s no-hitter in the seventh inning when junior first baseman Trey Mancini smacked the ball to the second baseman, but the scorekeeper ruled there was an error on the play.

It was freshman shortstop Lane Richards who actually did the honors when he hit a clear single to left field in the eighth inning, but the Irish didn’t score in the inning.

Although Katsulis and Mancini rounded the bases in the ninth, they were unable to close the deficit for the sixth time in six games.

The Irish will try to halt the losing streak today as they send junior right-hander Sean Fitzgerald to the mound against Bowling Green. Fitzgerald is 1-3 in seven starts so far this spring and has a 5.40 ERA in 41.2 innings pitched.

The first pitch will be thrown at 5:35 p.m. today at Frank Eck Stadium.

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Irish senior outfielder Charlie Markson runs to first during Notre Dame’s 10-6 to Villanova on April 7.

Irish freshman attack Matt Kavanagh protects the ball during Notre Dame’s 10-8 win over Georgetown on April 14.
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Irish losing streak extends to six

Michigan’s Bourque no-hits Notre Dame through seven innings in 8-2 loss in Ann Arbor

By VICKY JACOBSEN
Sports Writer

When the Notre Dame lineup faced Michigan sophomore James Bourque on April 9, the right-hander held the Irish to one run on five hits in a 4-1 victory. The Ann Arbor native upped the ante Tuesday, taking a no-hitter into the eighth inning and leading the Wolverines to a 8-2 home win over the Irish.

Notre Dame (19-15) now has dropped six games in a row.

“I thought [Bourque] had really good stuff from the very beginning,” Irish coach Mik Aoki said. “He’s a kid who has really good stuff but has struggled with control at times. We had a couple of fairly well-hit balls, but I thought he was pretty dominant from the very beginning.”

Notre Dame freshman Zak Kutsulis took the loss in his first start of the season. Although he didn’t overpower the Michigan lineup, he held the Wolverines (21-14) to two runs in his five innings pitched.

“We put him in some pretty tough predicaments in terms of not being as clean with the baseball as we have been most of the year,” Aoki said. “I thought he did a good job, he pitched out of a couple of situations where there were runners in scoring position with nobody out.”

The freshman also accounted for much of the Irish offense — Kutsulis moved to the designated hitting position with nobody on and scored a run in the top of the ninth.

Junior right-hander Donnie Hissa ran into trouble when he relieved Kutsulis in bottom of the sixth inning. Hissa gave up three runs in the inning, and was charged with three more in the seventh.

“I didn’t necessarily think Donnie threw the ball really good stuff from the very beginning,” Irish coach Kevin Corrigan knew his club was in for a tough predicament in terms of not being as clean with the baseball as they have been most of the year.

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Pitcher baffles Spartan offense

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