ND amends harassment protocol
Administration combines former policies on sexual, discriminatory provocation

By MARISA IATI
Assistant Managing Editor

In an attempt to streamline treatment of sexual and discriminatory harassment, the Office of Institutional Equity published revisions to the University’s “Policy on Sexual and Discriminatory Harassment” in late December.

“This is an overarching policy that applies to everyone at the University that says we have no tolerance for instances of sexual or discriminatory harassment,” Sarah Wake, director of the Office of Institutional Equity, said. “It is also a general policy statement about what the University expects of every member of this community.”

The policy applies to students, faculty and staff members, but the “du Lac” student handbook, and not the “Policy on Sexual and Discriminatory Harassment,” governs student-on-student sexual harassment.

The revised policy combines two previous policies: one on sexual harassment and one on discriminatory harassment, Wake said. She said the sexual harassment policy largely mirrored the student-on-student sexual harassment policy in “du Lac,” whereas the discriminatory harassment policy contained some different procedures.

“There wasn’t as specific of a time frame, it wasn’t as clear I think who to contact and what the process was,” Wake said. “By condensing the two policies … we have the same policy and procedure governing both sets of conduct.

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Exxon Mobil rep discusses the future of energy

By JESSICA MERDES
News Writer

Vice president and treasur er of Exxon Mobil Corp. Robert Schleckser spoke at the Mendoza College of Business on Friday as the first of seven lecturers for the one-credit course “Notre Dame Ten Years Hence: Speaker Series: The Future of Energy.”

The series aims to “explore issues, ideas and trends like climate change, energy crises and unprecedented world suffering from an energy crisis and unprecedented human population growth, he said.

“There is no purpose in us to be self-serving … because we look at the prospect of getting a good return over time,” Schleckser said.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:
What is your favorite Super Bowl snack?

Sean Himel, sophomore
Duncan Hall
“Potato pancakes.”

Austin Burgett, sophomore
Duncan Hall
“Girl Scout cookies.”

Jake Castellini, sophomore
Alumni Hall
“Skyline Chili dip.”

James Harkins, sophomore
Duncan Hall
“Celery.”

Kerry McCormant, sophomore
Howard Hall
“Guac.”

Danny Shawhan, sophomore
Duncan Hall
“Diced pineapples.”

THE NEXT FIVE DAYS:

Monday
ACMS colloquium
Hayes-Healy Center
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
With Bledar Konomi of Los Alamos National Laboratory.

Tuesday
Human rights lecture
Hesburgh Center for International Studies
12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.
With Dr. Christopher McCruden.

Wednesday
Career and internship fair
Joyce Center
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Professional dress recommended.

Thursday
Love Languages
Coleman-Morse Center
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Which of five love languages fits you?

Friday
Moyo Invitational
Lofus Sports Center
Moyo Field
4 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Track and Field, continues on Saturday.

Have a question you want answered?
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Students watch from the LaFortune Student Center as the Seattle Seahawks battle the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XLVIII. The Broncos bested the Seahawks, 43-8, in a lopsided contest.
Professor discusses global impact of Irish literature

By JACK ROONEY

On Friday, Dr. Kasia Bartoszyska, a professor at Bilkent University in Turkey, presented a lecture titled “Ireland Among Others,” as part of the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies’ Lectures and Public Talk Series.

Bartoszyska, who received her Ph. D. in Comparative Literature from the University of Chicago in 2011, spoke on the significance of Irish literature in a global and transnational context.

Irish Studies typically draws comparisons to its western European neighbors, Bartoszyska said, but a better understanding comes from comparing Ireland to countries with similar features.

“Irish Studies has long had an implicitly comparative dimension, often seeing its cultural output in relation to, and in turn set by, that of its nearest neighbor, Great Britain,” Bartoszyska said. “Recent years have seen an increase in different forms of comparison.”

“In examining Irish writing alongside that of other cultures, be that of other colonies, other islands or other predominately Catholic nations, new geographical coordinates, it is suggested, have the potential to highlight aspects of the tradition that have heretofore received less attention, giving us a new perspective on Irish literature.”

Bartoszyska said she based her lecture on a comparison between two novels, one Irish and one Polish. Bartoszyska focused on “Melmoth the Wanderer,” written by Irish author Charles Maturin and “The Manuscript Found in Saragossa,” written by Polish author Jan Potocki.

“Focusing on these concrete examples gives us a pathway to the bigger questions by seeing how some of the theoretical paradigms play out in practice,” she said. “They were written around the same time, in the late 18th and early 19th century, and they’re oddly similar to each other in many ways, except that one has a Polish author and the other, an Anglo-Irish one. They are not exactly world-famous classics, but neither are they completely unknown.”

The novels share a similar style of seemingly unrelated characters telling interconnected stories, Bartoszyska said.

“What ‘Melmoth the Wanderer’ and ‘Manuscript Found in Saragossa’ share is a highly interconnected character structure, where people who have seemingly nothing to do with each other are shown as related in various ways,” she said.

Bartoszyska said it is common for scholars to attribute similarities like these to the similar cultural and socio-political factors present in both Ireland and Poland.

“After all, weren’t both Poland and Ireland countries with extremely powerful neighbors, places that had to struggle to keep their cultures alive in the face of constant threat or even a total loss of sovereignty,” she said. “Didn’t both have a lasting, deep connection to the Catholic Church?”

The connection runs much deeper than superficial characterization, Bartoszyska said.

“As a starting point, we can say that when we compare Polish and Irish literature, we learn that neither is the anomaly it often imagines itself to be,” she said. “In both Polish and Irish Studies, references abound to the uniqueness of each as a dominanted region within Europe.”

Bartoszyska said comparative study of such literature helps develop an overall better understanding of world literature.

“Examining the way these two texts create fictional worlds and articulate the relationship between those worlds, and the world, we can begin to consider the question of how they fit into a more global understanding of literature,” she said.

Studies like hers may ultimately lead to a better conception of literature overall, Bartoszyska said.

“So comparing Irish literature to other traditions, paradoxically, may help us move beyond such narrow comparisons, and to contextualize Irish writing within a more transnational frame,” she said.

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Academic fraternities foster scholastic excellence

By JACK ROONEY

Contrary to popular belief, Greek life does exist on Notre Dame’s campus. Although the University does not sanction social fraternities or sororities, a number of academic fraternities provide students with unique scholastic and professional opportunities and networks.

According to the Student Activities Office (SAO) website, many academic fraternities form in fields ranging from accounting to political science and engineering, are part of national academic organizations that use Greek letters as identifiers.

Senior Dominic Romeo, the co-president of Notre Dame’s chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, a political science honor society, said the organization provides its members with excellent scholarship opportunities as well as a valuable network.

“There are some scholars through this national organization that students can apply for,” Romeo said. “They can also get grant funding through the national organization, too. Pi Sigma Alpha also puts you into a global network of people who have excelled in political science.”

Ashlee Hunt, a first year student in Notre Dame’s Master of Science in Accountancy (MSA) program serves as president of Notre Dame’s chapter of Beta Alpha PSI, an accounting honor society. She said Beta Alpha PSI hosts a variety of events for its members to network and perform service.

“We have professional events when someone from a company like Deloitte comes in and gives a presentation,” Hunt said. “We also have service events where students will go out and volunteer at places like the Robinson Community Learning Center.”

“We also do interactive service activities with companies. KPMG is coming on Feb. 26 and we are making shoebox school supply kits for elementary school students.”

As honor societies, these organizations often require members to maintain outstanding grades and display strong leadership characteristics. Hunt said along with a rigorous GPA requirement, Beta Alpha PSI requires students to perform service and attend events sponsored by the organization.

“Members are inducted during their junior year and then they are required to complete six service hours and six hours of academic per semester to remain members,” she said.

Senior Jane McGuinness, president of Notre Dame’s chapter of Tau Beta Pi, an engineering honor society, said her organization chooses members based on “character, service, leadership and scholarship.”

“Tau Beta Pi has a selective process of initiating people,” McGuinness said. “It is an engineering major, said. “They invite the top eighth of the junior engineering class and top fifth of the senior engineering class to apply.”

McGuinness said Tau Beta Pi also runs tutoring sessions as part of its academic and service mission on Notre Dame’s campus.

“The main way we give back to this school are tutoring programs,” McGuinness said. “We have nightly sessions for upper level engineering classes in the different engineering fields.”

Senior Taryn Green, a member of Upsilon Pi Epsilon (UPE), a computer science honor society, said students could also receive significant scholarships for their work.

“Because we are an honor society, we mostly just exist on this campus to recognize student’s academic achievement and provide them an additional scholarship route through the national Upsilon Pi Epsilon organization,” Green said. “Members can apply for a scholarship through the executive UPE council. Scholarships range between $750 to $1500.”

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Notre Dame also has chapters of Pi Tau Sigma (engineer-ing), Psi Chi (psychology), Chi Epsilon (civil engineering), Eta Kappa Nu (computer and electrical engineering) and Lambda Alpha (anthropology).
Students weigh in on all-school formal

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By ALAINA ANDERSON

Saint Mary’s students and their guests relived their high school dances when Saint Mary’s Residence Hall Association (RHA) hosted the all-school, prom-themed formal on Friday at the Hilton Garden Inn.

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“I think it’s really fun to dress up and get ready for a dance again like we did in high school but to do it in college with all our friends,” she said.

Before the formal, the organizers of Dance Marathon, a charity event meant to raise money for the Riley Hospital for Children, provided hair and nail services in the reignbeaux lounge in Le Mans from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Salon Rouge was painting nails for $5, curling and braiding hair for $2, doing makeup for $2 and applying hair extensions for $7. All the money went to support Dance Marathon.

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SMC connects with summer program in Utah

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pointed to an endowed chair and the founding director of the Institute for Educational Initiatives and the Center for Research on Educational Opportunity.

“Perhaps impossible to think about Notre Dame sociology without thinking of Maureen Hallinan,” department chair Rory McVeigh said in the re-
lese. “Her extraordinary research achievements and her high visibility in sociology, and more, were products of and in more general, put a spotlight on our department in a way that benefitted her colleagues and attracted strong faculty members and graduate stu-
dents to Notre Dame.”

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cating directly with the female student’s professor or defender or undertaking the University resolution process. Wake said she used this new set of options to make people more aware of a policy and of how the University expects.”

The “Policy on Sexual and Discriminatory Harassment” also states that the University aims to complete investigations of complaints within 60 calen-
dar days of the initial report, as opposed to the 60 business days mandated in the previous, sep-
ate policy. Wake said the revision of the revised pol-
icy ensures the confidentiality of people who report instances of harassment. A separate pro-
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races. She was renowned for her research on academic
achievements, the release stated.

During her 28-year ten-
ure at the University, Hallinan received Notre Dame’s Presidential Award Citation in 2007, the Faculty Award in 2006 and the Excellence in Research on Catholic Education Award in 2007. Beyond her work at Notre Dame, Hallinan served as president of the American Educational Research Association in 1996 and president of the Sociological Research Association in 2000.

A visitation for Hallinan will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday at Kaniewski Funeral Home, 3545 N. Bendix Drive, South Bend. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, followed by interment in Notre Dame’s Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the University’s Scholarship Fund and the Catholic Education.

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said. McSorely, who has studied Wolff ever since she learned of her many contributions to Saint Mary’s, said she thinks all students should know her story. “She is truly fascinating to me,” she said. “She was educated at Notre Dame, [the University of California] Berkeley, Oxford. She ran with an impressive literary circle, with friends like Edith Wharton and C.S. Lewis, and she published over 20 books in her lifetime.”

During her tenure as the third Saint Mary’s president bi- ginning in 1958, McSorely started the English department and introduced many distinguished programs, McSorely said. “She formed a school of theologi- ogy here that made Saint Mary’s one of the only colleges at the time offering graduate degree students theology,” and she also ordered the construc- tion of the Moreau Center for the Arts, which was one of the first buildings in the nation to have galleries, theaters and classrooms for the pursuit of art,” she said.

“I think my favorite facts about her, though, is her role in establishing the nursing program. As a nursing major, I doubt that I would be without Sr. Madeleva and her accomplishments while presi- dent. She truly molded Saint Mary’s into the great place it is today.”

“Every year, the College held an event in the Student Center Lounge to celebrate her poetry and life.”

English professor Sr. Eva Hooker selected and read nine poems from one of Wolff’s col- lections, including famous poems “Apology for Bedlam” and “Song of Bedlam Inn.” “These nine poems in some way read Sr. Madeleva as I knew her through the years both as a student and as a young sister,” McSorely said. “I remember when I came here as a first- year student in 1958, and she retired from the College not too many years afterward.” She also read a new piece she had written over on Sunday afternoons and read poetry to us, and I got the privilege of walking her back to one of the dorms and forth to one of the campus and the other.”

“She was always the person who best represented Saint Mary’s.”

After the reading, College archivist John Kovach shared a variety of memorabilia be- longing to Sr. Madeleva, including her college scrapbook, old photo- graphs and many of her letters, McSorely said.

“John also played a recording of Sr. Madeleva reading her own poetry, which I really enjoyed,” McSorely said. “It was great to be able to hear Sr. Madeleva mape- ken by her own voice. I have always been a fan of her poetry, and I was glad other students could hear her.”

Saint Mary’s President Carol Ann Mooney said Wolff is still widely studied, read and even quoted, she said. “She is truly legendary.”

Mooney said. “She was an internationally acclaimed poet and brought a great deal of joy through her writing.”

“I was an English major dur- ing my years as a student and of course, I have read all of her books and biographies. I ad- mire Sr. Madeleva for the way she moved through the world, and the way she shaped her life,” she said.

“Her promise to the students of her day was one of discover- ing the beauty of the world and one’s place in it. That is still true for the College today.”

Wolff’s legacy can still be seen throughout the College, Wiedower said. “[It’s] in the beauty of the campus, in the curriculum that nurturing spiritual and artistic growth is a goal, and in the reverence we have for Sr. Madeleva’s very much.”

Wolff set Saint Mary’s course as a graduate student at Span- er’s college in the country, and she truly cared about the stu- dents, Mooney said. “To hear her talk about dinner with them in Reignebeaux Lounge regularly, she said. "She is also rumored to have stood on her balcony (her bedroom was in the southeast corner of LeMans) to watch the young women coming home from their dates.”

“You also would be responsible for much of the beauty of our cam- pus, working with the head gardener at the time to bring trees or plants that would be able to handle the soil and the weather conditions on campus as well,” she said.

“Sr. Madeleva was, as she says of herself, a person who dreamed and then worked hard at realizing those dreams and bringing them to fruition,” Wiedower said. “She believed that women needed to be immersed in a global reality and worked hard to bring the world to Sr. Madeleva’s students through her connections around the world. Many refer to her as a ‘traveler’.”

“So, another way of saying her legacy is that she was a spiritual leader who brought the world to our students and our students to the world.”

St. Mary’s current president has been inspired by Wolff’s legacy, and Wiedower said Saint Mary’s is known on campus for its “post-fees” approach to education that is integrated with the arts and humanities.

“Sr. Madeleva was her ability to stay true to herself in whatever cir- cumstances she found herself,” Wiedower said. “She would have loved to formalize the arts and humanities so as not to be just a scatter of small and continuous, and she would have loved to have the arts and humanities engage students holistically, so that students got a sense of the whole.”

Student body president Kat Sullivan said the students to- day acknowledge Wolff’s moti- vational legacy in many of the College’s courses and in daily life. “I was a teaching assistant for an English class full of freshmen with Professor Laura Haigwood last year called ‘Saint Mary’s Women,’” Sullivan said. “We studied Sr. Madeleva’s biogra- phy and analyzed her po- etry, and it was interesting to see how different she was from others of her time. She’s still very much a part of our curriculum and inspires our students to follow their be- liefs, despite what anyone else says.”

For Sullivan, the greatest way to honor Wolff as a Saint Mary’s student is to continue to make a dif- ference in the world.

“I think each student should model what they do on the mis- sion of Sr. Madeleva. It’s no secret that Saint Mary’s women are prepared to make a difference in the world, and that’s an exact reflection of what Sr. Madeleva embodied.”

“I think modeling yourself after the Saint Mary’s mission while also creating your own mission is what each student can do to honor Sr. Madeleva.”

Since 2013 marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of the College, McSorely said, Saint Mary’s professors Susan Baxter and Haigwood are cur- rently working on a play show- casing her life and legacy, set to be released in March, McSorely said.

“In the words of Sr. Madeleva, ‘We want you to discover: the discovery of yourselves, the discovery of the universe, and your place in it.’”

“Thanks to Sr. Madeleva, there is no place else in the world I’d rather discover myself.”

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Immigrant reform raises price of citizenship

EDINBURG, Texas — Hilda Vasquez didn’t have the money for her U.S. citizenship application by selling batches of homemade tamales at South Texas offices. Carmen Zalazar picked up extra babysitting jobs at night after caring for kids all day in Houston. The women scrimped and saved for months to pay for the $680 application, but for oth- er applicants in the future, it might not be enough.

As President Barack Obama renews his quest for immigra- tion reform, some proposals would include higher fees on top of application fees, mak- ing the financial hurdles much taller for people who are here illegally.

“You have more rights when you are a citizen, like to vote,” said Zalazar, a legal resident. As President Barack Obama renews his quest for immigra- tion reform, she said, “I started to save because I knew otherwise it won’t be possible.”

The struggle is familiar to millions of immigrants. A 2012 survey by the Pew Hispanic Center showed that only 46 per- cent of Hispanic immigrants eligible to become citizens had done so. The top two reasons were lack of English skills and lack of money to pay for the application.

Manuel Enrique Angel made learning English his first pri- ority upon arriving in Houston from his native El Salvador two years ago. He now speaks English clearly and deliberately and plans to apply for citizen- ship as soon as he becomes eli- gible later this year.

Trained as a lawyer in El Salvador, the 28-year-old works as a cook at a Houston burger joint. His wife, an American citizen, is a hair stylist. He es- timates it will take him up to $400 to prepare for the citizenship test.

“It’s really hard when you have to pay rent around $600, when you only make $300 and $500,” Angel said.

Republican supporters of the proposed fines say penalties will be necessary to battle against any appearance that creat- ing a pathway to citizenship amounts to amnesty.

Mark Zborowski, execu- tive director of the Center for Immigration Studies, a Washington-based think tank that supports tighter immigra- tion controls, said immigrants who are in the country illegally are allowed to seek citizen- ship, they should have to pay $680 and fees will increase if millions of applications need to be processed.

However, he said, the costs should not be so high that peo- ple can’t afford them.

“We studied Sr. Madeleva’s biography and analyzed her po- etry, and it was interesting to see how different she was from others of her time. She’s still very much a part of our curriculum and inspires our students to follow their beliefs, despite what anyone else says.”

For Sullivan, the greatest way to honor Wolff as a Saint Mary’s student is to continue to make a difference in the world.

“I think each student should model what they do on the mission of Sr. Madeleva. It’s no secret that Saint Mary’s women are prepared to make a difference in the world, and that’s an exact reflection of what Sr. Madeleva embodied.”

“I think modeling yourself after the Saint Mary’s mission while also creating your own mission is what each student can do to honor Sr. Madeleva.”

Since 2013 marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of the College, McSorely said, Saint Mary’s professors Susan Baxter and Haigwood are currently working on a play showcasing her life and legacy, set to be released in March, McSorely said.

“In the words of Sr. Madeleva, ‘We want you to discover: the discovery of yourselves, the discovery of the universe, and your place in it.’”

“Thanks to Sr. Madeleva, there is no place else in the world I’d rather discover myself.”

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Counterterrorism law alarms activists

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DUBAI — Saudi Arabia put into effect a sweeping new counterterrorism law Sunday that human rights activists say allows the kingdom to prosecute as a terrorist anyone who demands reform, exposes corruption or otherwise engages in dissent.

The law states that any act that "undermines" the state or society, including calls for regime change in Saudi Arabia, can be tried as an act of terrorism. It also grants security services broad powers to raid homes and track phone calls and Internet activity.

Human rights activists were alarmed by the law and said it is clearly aimed at keeping the kingdom's ruling Al Saud family firmly in control amid the demands for democratic reform that have grown louder since the Arab Spring protests that shook the region in 2011 and toppled longtime autocrats.

Saudi activist Abdulaziz al-Shubaily described the law as a "catastrophe." And Human Rights Watch researcher Adam Coogle warned: "The new law is draconian in spirit and letter, and there is every reason to fear that the authorities will easily and eagerly use it against peacefull dissidents."

The measure was approved by the Cabinet on Dec. 16 and ratified by King Abdullah. It was published in its entirety for the first time on Friday in the government's official gazette um Al-Qura.

In defense of the law, the Saudi minister of culture and information, Abdul Aziz Khaja, was quoted in December as saying that the legislation strikes a balance between prevention of crimes and protection of human rights according to Islamic law.

Saudi Arabia is one of the world's last absolute monarchies. All decisions are centered in the hands of 89-year-old King Abdullah. There is no parliament. There is little written law, and judges — implementing the country's strict Wahhabi interpretation of Islam — have broad leeway to impose verdicts and sentences.

An attempt to pass a similar counterterrorism law in 2011 was shelved after rights groups in Saudi Arabia and abroad leaked a copy online.

Since then, dozens of activists have been detained, a prominent rights organization was shut down, and authorities more aggressively monitor social media websites like Facebook and Twitter, where jokes about the aging monarchy are rife and anger over corruption, poverty and unemployment is palpable.

The new law defines terrorism as any criminal act that "destabilizes the society's security or the state's stability or exposes its national unity to harm." It also states that terrorist acts include disabling the ruling system or "offending the nation's reputation or its position." Activists said that simply exposing corruption could be seen as a violation of the law. Some also warned that Saudi women who get behind the wheel of a car in violation of the ban on female drivers could be tried under the new anti-terrorism law.

The law also gives the interior minister the power to end sentences and drop charges. It says only the interior minister can order the release of a person on trial. Judges would have no say.

Other worrying aspects, activists said, include an article that says police can raid homes and offices on suspicion of anti-government activity without prior approval from a judge or even a superior. Suspects can also be held incommunicado for 90 days, and lawyers are not required to be present during the initial interrogation.

Lori Plotkin Boghardt of The Center for Human Rights and Political Rights, known in the Middle East as "HRP," said the authorities will easily and there is every reason to fear that they will use its opponents' grip on parts of the country.

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Let’s talk about diversification

Christian Nofziger
Ask the Greenman

Retirement is a concept that probably never crosses the mind of the normal Notre Dame student. We haven’t even begun our careers yet, so why should we be planning for the golden years on the golf course? Well, the fact of the matter is that the moment we all put pen to paper and sign our first job contract (before graduation obviously), we will start hearing things like 401-K, diversification and nest egg. Since my time to spout green propaga ... er, I mean “advice,” is limited to your years in college, allow me to talk to you about savings.

I love finance. However, sometimes the media portrays Wall Street’s objectives as opposed to those of tree huggers like me. They are not. Over the past few years, the boom of green businesses, along with the greater emphasis placed on social responsibility by investors, has given rise to new investing strategies for people who want to do more with their money. Naturally, green investors can buy the stock of green companies. In fact, if you had bought a share of First Solar a year ago today, you would have almost doubled your money by now. However, as I found out during the whole Enron scandal, investing in single stocks is a risky business. Investors like to diversify.

Diversification is a word that every finance major on Notre Dame’s campus, including myself, use on a daily basis to sound smart. However, we never actually explain why it is so important. It is essentially a magical way to reduce the risk of investing and is actually very simple. Diversifying your portfolio is the act of buying stocks in companies that operate in a different industry than the other stocks you own. If you own Microsoft and Apple, buying Ford would be a step towards diversifying your portfolio. This helps because it reduces the effects of firm specific risks. Remember, the Enron example? Imagine what happened to my holdings when they came out and said, “Remember all that money we said we made last year? We didn’t actually earn any of that per se.” Now imagine if I put my money evenly into 50 companies. Sure, the collapse of Enron wouldn’t have made me happy, but I definitely wouldn’t have been forced to sell my LEED Platinum house.

Diversification and sustainability have traditionally been hard to merge, but thanks to several new mutual funds, life is easy. Mutual funds have managers that select stocks and diversify for you. You give them money and they invest it for you (sustainably in this case). There are several sustainable mutual funds provided by Calvert, Domini and even Vanguard. These funds take into account not only the profitability of a firm and the prospects of growth, but also the way that corporations invest in sustainable infrastructure and how they make efforts to green their operations. The number of these socially responsible mutual funds has jumped from 173 in 2007 to 250 in 2010. These funds also open screen for other social concerns depending on what issues (other than sustainability, which is obviously your top concern) you care about.

Investing is an exciting tool that will be a necessity for all of us after graduation. It is a tool used by most to secure financial security for the years to come. However, I hope that Notre Dame graduates can also use it as a tool for good.

Email your predicaments to The Greenman at askthegreenman@gmail.com and let him answer you with a sustainable twist. The Greenman will be here every other week to provide you with insights you never knew you were missing out on until now.

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For every dollar men make, women only make 77 cents. It’s one of the best-known and most repeated statistics I know of, and last week we heard it again in the middle of President Obama’s annual State of the Union Address as he reiterated his support for equal pay for equal work. It’s a statistic meant to outline the extent of gender discrimination in the workplace today. There’s just one problem. It’s an outrageously misleading comparison, almost to the point of being untrue.

First, the actual fact. Yes, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, the 2012 ratio of median earnings between full-time working women and men was roughly 77 percent. But what does this actually tell us? A lot less than you’d expect. This compares the salaries that all women receive to the salaries that all men receive, with no consideration at all of an individual’s education, work experience, occupation, hours worked or basically anything else. That makes a big difference.

Let’s start with hours worked per week. The Department of Labor defines full-time work as more than 35 hours per week, but there’s a lot of variation among full-time workers, and women are more likely to work fewer hours (or work part-time). Restricting a comparison of men and women to those working forty hours a week is enough to reduce the gap to 87 cents (incidentally, women working part-time made 110 percent of what men did). But this still doesn’t give you an apples-to-apples comparison. To do that, you need to control for those other factors that affect salary, including education, work experience, firm tenure, industry and occupation. Women are more likely to leave the workforce for extended periods of time (often to start a family) and also tend to choose entrance into lower-paying fields — ignoring this biases your conclusions.

Former Congressional Budget Office Director and Baruch College economist June O’Neill did just that in one of the best-known studies on the gap, and she found that women actually make between 91 and 98 cents for every dollar men do. A similar study from economists at Stanford found similar results. Some work has even suggested that some of this two-to-nine cent gap isn’t the work of discrimination. Rather, it’s a result of things like women being more risk-averse and less aggressive in asking for raises or bargaining over salary.

To be clear, I’m not saying discrimination doesn’t exist, or that women making two percent less than men somehow means we don’t still have a problem. But for me, the really important thing is this: focusing on the 77 cent figure instead of looking at the underlying analysis of this topic hides the actual issues we should be concerned about with respect to gender equality and the workplace.

For instance, women tend to enter into lower-paying occupations, as I mentioned. High-paying industries like finance and engineering tend to be male-dominated, while workers in sectors such as education or nursing are disproportionately female. Some of this probably has to do with personal preference, but some is likely not. Are there barriers of entry into these fields for women? Are our government’s child-care and family leave policies inadequate for encouraging women to enter into higher-paying fields instead of those offering more flexibility? And why are women more risk-averse than men in the workplace? These are all key questions in considering the gender pay gap, but they’re also the questions that get ignored when we focus on the 77-cent number and the topic of equal pay for equal work.

One of the most interesting studies about gender relations I have read comes from behavioral economists Uri Gneezy and John List in their new book “The Why Axis.” The two ran a set of experiments to study differences between men and women in several diverse cultures with differing attitudes on gender. They discovered that much of the difference between men and women with respect to competitiveness or risk aversion is a result of cultural upbringing, not innate difference. Given that, one of the keys to erasing the gender gap rests not with the government, but with the family. Fostering self-confidence and exposure to competitive environments at a young age is crucial in bringing about professional success later in life. Moreover, rather than crafting yet another law prohibiting legal discrimination, government resources would be far more effective if devoted to programs that boost such efforts for girls of a young age. Of course, if you’d rather, we could just keep talking about how women only make 77 cents.

In the age of Twitter and the 24-hour news cycle, it’s become the norm to distill all of our ideas and beliefs into as few words as possible. But the world we live in is complex, and so are the issues we’re facing. To have any hope of focusing on real problems, we need to think beyond the first 10 words of any issue and get to the deeper analysis. The 77-cent statistic is a perfect example why.

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I sat next to an enthused little girl for Saturday night’s presentation of “The Intergalactic Nemesis Book Two: Robot Planet Rising.” She wanted to talk about the play as soon as she sat down in the seat to my right. Had I seen the first play? Yes, I had. Did I like it? Yes, I did. This play, Book Two, was the second performance of the day from the Intergalactic Nemesis team (they’d done Book One, “Target Earth” earlier in the day). I’d seen the first installment when it played at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center two years ago, but this little girl had been to the show earlier that day — and she was back for the sequel.

I didn’t really need to ask whether or not she liked it. Her grandmother had already told me that she’d been called on duty to chaperone because the little girl’s parents were busy but the girl had been insistent on making it to the sequel. This was past her bedtime, no doubt, but the T-shirt she was wearing — “Intergalactic Nemesis” themed with signatures from the entire cast and crew — hinted that trying to make this little girl go to bed without seeing this play would’ve been a losing battle. So even though I was fairly confident I knew how she’d reply, I asked her any ways. Did you like the play?

“Oh yeah. I liked it. A LOT.”

And that’s the appeal of “The Intergalactic Nemesis” series — it’s fun. In an innocent, non-cynical and easily approachable way, it’s a whole lot of fun. The second installment in the series, “Robot Planet Rising,” keeps up the spirit of the first. It can be pulpy, cheesy and corny at times, but it embraces those qualities and executes them in the most entertaining ways possible.

The performance, which the actors described in an introduction before the play began as a live-action graphic novel, is what drew me to the original show two years ago in the first place. A mix of graphic novel panels on a screen behind the stage, three voice actors performing all the speaking parts, a foley artist center stage creating sound effects to match the action and a pianist improvising the score as the show went on, the whole thing is a whirl of energy and constant movement on stage. Going into the sequel, I didn’t know if the concept would hold up a second time, since the idea no longer had the novelty of the first time around.

As is probably obvious by this point, I had no need for concern — if anything, the second time around was even better than the first. With an idea of how the show would look and an understanding of how to watch it, I was able to take in even more of the fun.

I especially noticed the score, something I didn’t even remember from the first time I saw the show, performed by Kenneth Redding, Jr. In the introduction, the emcee (Christopher Lee Gibson, one of the spectacular voice actors) explained that the score would be improvised, leaving Mr. Redding some freedom to play it how he felt it. He couldn’t have done any better. The score drove the action of the play, pounding and hot at times, slow and haunting at others.

The storyline almost doesn’t even matter in a show like this, but for what it’s worth, it’s good. It’s not “Citizen Kane,” and it doesn’t quite hold up to mister with the film that the show’s creator and director Jason Neulander said inspired it, “The Empire Strikes Back,” but for an intergalactic mystery with intertwining storylines and characters full of reveals and double crosses, it shines.

Neulander and company are currently at work on the third and final piece in the series, due to premiere this fall. If the first two are any indication, mark your calendars now and plan on catching the show when it (hopefully) comes to Notre Dame, because otherwise you’ll have to wait to catch it on Broadway or, more likely, when the film version hits the big screens at a movie theater near you.

And if you need any more evidence for the entertainment value of “Robot Planet Rising,” take it from the little girl who sat next to me — “Oh yeah, that was REALLY good.”

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Just when you think 2015’s “Batman vs. Superman” couldn’t spark anymore needless debate and controversy, director Zack Snyder throws another curveball to the field: Jesse Eisenberg will be playing super villain, Lex Luthor. Following his past (consistently awkward) roles of an Internet icon, an endangered tropical bird and a criminal magician with the personality of a bag of rice, Eisenberg will now be embodying Superman’s most notorious adversary. Considering that actors Bryan Cranston (the one who knocks), Joaquin Phoenix (the one who falls in love with his OS) were rumored to be taking on the role of a villain in the film, the news of Eisenberg coming off as even more of a shock. As strange as the announcement is, it’s not receiving nearly as much backlash as the film’s earlier announcements.

Shortly after the Zack Snyder announced Batman and Superman’s first joint film at San Diego Comic Con, fans went crazy in figuring out who would follow Christian Bale to take on the cowl of the beloved Dark Knight. It would later be announced that Boston’s favorite comeback kid, Ben Affleck, had been offered — and accepted — the role. And the world responded with the same maturity level as a 5-year-old boy whose Batman action-figure had been tossed into a wood chipper. In time, the hatred of the fans would turn into a wait-and-see attitude towards Affleck, but three months later another piece of casting news would rock the nerd community. Despite the film’s unofficial “Batman vs. Superman” title, Snyder dropped another bomb by announcing that the iconic Wonder Woman would be making her onscreen debut and would be played by the relatively unknown (minus “Fast and Furious” fans) Gal Gadot. Once again, comic book fans across the country held their pitchforks and torches high as they heeded to the online message boards for metaphorical witch burning of the talented and beautifully innocent actress. This was the 2013 epitome of body bashing as every inch of Gadot’s figure, when compared to Wonder Woman, was scrutinized by the public. When DC diehards made the joint realization that the human body has the capability to gain muscle, they turned their attention breast size ... because that’s what puts the “Wonder” in Wonder Woman, right? Needless to say, this discussion went in an entirely unnecessary direction of self image territory in a debate that once began with, “Oh, I don’t think she’s right for the part.” As with Affleck, however, most of the public is saving their criticisms for the film ... or at least first trailer.

And we now get to Eisenberg. Surprisingly, I think the fan community is worn out after debating the last two casting choices, but there’s still a lot of hate floating around. Personally, I commend Zack Snyder for making such a bold move in his casting here, and the same goes for his last two choices. Superman has always been symbol of strength, and while adaptations of Lex Luthor over the years have turned him into a force that can physically go toe-to-toe with the Man of Steel, that’s not what’s he’s about. Superman fights with his might while Luthor fights with his mind. Eisenberg’s weaker stature and history of playing intellects makes this casting choice seem like perfect sense. Jesse Eisenberg has shown the world that he can play and intellectual villain (of sorts), and he’s certainly a talented actor (have YOU been nominated for an Oscar?). Oh what, he’s not bald? Too bad there’s no device on earth that can rid someone of his hair. I’m not saying that any of these casting choices are going to shine, but we have to put faith in the director and believe that he chose these actors for a specific reason. Until we see Eisenberg take on Superman, we can only hope that Snyder made the right call. I believe he did. Oh, and Jeremy Irons will be playing Batman’s butler Alfred ... but that piece of news doesn’t seem to be getting too much attention.

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‘INTERGALACTIC NEMESIS’ SHINES AGAIN

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“This is about you, you yuppie nerds!” Garrity McOsker yells into the microphone, pointing to the pumped-up crowd at Legends last Thursday. McOsker’s punk band, Sober Sinners, played an impressive hour-long set at the club’s “Student Band Night.” Fans and friends came out for the show to hear the student group’s original music, and McOsker’s exclamation, said (mostly) in jest, provided the perfect snapshot of Sober Sinners — a smart punk band at Notre Dame with lyrics that may not always jive with the larger student body but a sound and sense of humor that could get any audience going.

While it may seem from Sober Sinners’ hilarious mid-set jabs or musical genre that the band isn’t interested in their Notre Dame home base, the opposite couldn’t be truer. In fact, McOsker, lead singer and band founder, has been trying to get other on-campus musicians to start their own bands and write their own music.

“I try to get people to start bands all the time. I let them use my equipment … We support on-campus musicians and go to their shows too. I want to encourage more people to do that,” he said.

Sober Sinners certainly know a thing or two about the process of writing original content. Among a group of on-campus musicians who mostly perform covers and play occasional live sets, Sober Sinners stands out by putting an immense amount of time into writing, recording and touring.

“We get together, practice all the time, write our own music and record. We are super active, and it takes a lot of work … I know a lot of student musicians have had their frustrations, but I decided a long time ago to talk about those frustrations with the music scene and go ahead and do something about it,” he said.

With a now-untilted album on the way, Sober Sinners was able to perform nine original songs from their upcoming album on Thursday. The band also completed a Midwest tour last year and plans to continue to tour this semester.

“We did a tour in the fall, and we’re trying to go to Boston and out east this semester, meeting new bands and making connections,” McOsker said.

Started by McOsker, now a junior, during his freshman year, the band has seen many changes along the way. Thursday’s Legends set featured a lineup of McOsker singing lead vocals, Alex McDermott on guitar, Patrick Samuels on drums and Brennan Jacobson on bass.

One important resource the band found during its formation and subsequent changes was the South Bend punk scene. Though Sober Sinners has seen frustrations and speed bumps during their career at Notre Dame, the local punk scene has been supportive of the group, providing venues, recording space and guidance along the way.

“I’ve really been interested in the South Bend punk scene for a while. I’ve become good friends with guys from shows, and it’s just turned into sort of a friendship with these guys in town. They’ve shown us the ropes, gave us recording time and it’s been good. It’s all about building those connections,” he said.

While McOsker and the rest of Sober Sinners may have found the popular genre that the band isn’t interested in their Notre Dame home base, the opposite couldn’t be truer. In fact, McOsker, lead singer and band founder, has been trying to get other on-campus musicians to start their own bands and write their own music.

“The thing about this is that literally anyone can help,” Murray said, “All you have to do is go on the calendar and share an event. You can go to an event, take a picture and share it with your friends, and it’s just going to spread like wildfire.”

So start a band, see a show or just help out by supporting your local musicians, on and off campus.

“I’m very enthusiastic about the Bridge Project,” McOsker added. “Now we need to make the music.”

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In case you missed it, the biggest game of the year took place this weekend. No, I am not talking about the Super Bowl. Sure, that was a good one that certainly received a lot of fanfare and generated a huge-sized crowd each year. But the game to which I referred actually broke a record for its magnitude.

Still guessing? You should ask one of the 35,446 fans who packed into the Carrier Dome in Syracuse, N.Y., to watch Saturday’s tilt between No. 2 Syracuse and No. 17 Duke, and he or she could probably help you out with the answer.

The contest set a new mark for the largest attendance for a college basketball game at an on-campus site. Not surprisingly, the Carrier Dome, which also hosts concerts, was packed to near maximum capacity for the Orange, held the previous record, set when Syracuse beat Georgetown in 2013 to close out the season, an all-time best rivalry.

The clash between the Orange and the Blue Devils matched up two historic programs, two of the country’s top freshmen in Tyler Ennis and Jabari Parker and three of the best coaches of all-time in men’s college basketball, as Jim Boeheim and Mike Krzyzewski brought in a combined 1,914 victories.

Despite so many similarities, the two squads also represented a stark contrast in two different, but no less famous, home courts. Syracuse boasts the massive Carrier Dome, while Duke takes on opponents in the much more intimate Cameron Indoor Stadium in Durham, N.C., where the schools will meet Feb. 22 for chapter two of this blossoming rivalry.

So when it comes down to looking at these notable but dissimilar venues, which one is tops?

In my opinion, bigger is better.

While playing in Cameron Indoor, where it seems all 9,043 seats are filled on game day, the fans on either side of each other and breathing down the backs of visiting players on the court, can be daunting. The Carrier Dome brings no less of an intimidating factor with its overwhelmingly size compared to most college facilities. That size can be a benefit for a team like Syracuse come March, when it will play in more spacious arenas during its NCAA tournament, with the sites only getting bigger as the team makes a deeper run towards its one shining moment. While the sheer enormity of a venue like the 80,000-seat AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas, host to this year’s Final Four, might be imposing to any basketball team, it would probably have the smallest effect on a squad like the Orange, who are used to playing in front of a large crowd and under a shot-altering high ceiling.

Plus, the sound levels at the Carrier Dome about match the ones at Cameron Indoor, both with registering around 120 decibels, so close confines do not necessarily make for a more reverberating experience.

Home-team help: advantage, expansive arenas.

Now, look at the comparison from the perspective of a fan.

Though the showdown between the Orange and the Blue Devils is sold out in a matter of minutes, it would have been a lot easier to find an available ticket in the Dome than in Cameron Indoor.

As a student, camping out for a seat in the dead of winter would have more of an appealing knowing that you would be sitting in a larger student section and would have a better chance of claiming an available spot. It would also be more fun to watch the game with 35,446 of your closest friends than with only 9,314 — the more, the merrier.

Fan experience: advantage, vast halls of basketball.

Finally, what would the schools rather have — under 10,000 tickets to sell or over 30,000? University profit: advantage, cavernous sites.

So there you have it, the reasons why the spacious Carrier Dome and arenas like it delivers an overall better experience than cozier settings like Cameron Indoor.

But if someone wants to offer me a ticket to the Feb. 22 rematch, I certainly would not pass that up.

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Indiana pulls off upset of Michigan at home

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Yogi Ferrell scored 27 points, hitting seven 3-pointers in eight tries, to lead unranked Indiana to a 63-52 upset of No. 10 Michigan on Sunday.

Indiana (14-8, 4-5 Big Ten) had lost three of four but led most of the way in improving to 12-2 at Assembly Hall. Noah Vonleh added 10 points and 12 rebounds for the Hoosiers, who shot 54 percent to the Wolverines’ 40 percent.

Michigan (16-5, 8-1) produced a season-low point total as a 10-game winning streak came to an end.

Derrick Walton Jr. scored 13 points and Caris LeVert had 12. They were the only Wolverines in double figures, as leading scorer Nik Stauskas was held to six points.

Ferrell, a point guard, was the primary defender on Michigan’s small forward, and Stauskas missed five of six attempts, failing for the third time this season to score in double figures.

The Hoosiers may have reinvigorated their hopes for an at-large berth to the NCAA tournament by securing their second victory over a top-10 opponent. The Wolverines are no strangers to coming up short in this series.

Dating to last season’s run to the national title game, the Wolverines are 27-12 in their last 39 games — with three of those losses to the Hoosiers, who are now 24-8 against Michigan over the last 18 seasons.

The Wolverines’ prolific offense was off from the start. Michigan had more turnovers (eight) than baskets (seven) in the first half and scored just six points on its final 11 possessions to trail 25-22 at intermission.

It took a few breaks to stop that. Walton Jr. was fouled twice in the half shooting behind the arc and converted all six free throws.

The Wolverines also pushed the ball effectively for transition opportunities, scoring eight fast-break points.

After Indiana’s defense was slow to get back and allowed Zak Irvin a layup, Indiana coach Tom Crean used a timeout with 10:08 left in the half. Out of the stoppage, the Hoosiers scored five of their next six possessions to grab a 22-18 edge.

Facing their fourth half-time deficit since November, the Wolverines never got over the hump.

Three free throws from Austin Etherington and a fast-break layup by Evan Gordon gave Indiana a 49-41 lead with 7:41 to play, causing John Beilein to call time out.

After Stauskas’ free throws cut the deficit to 53-49 with 4:04 to play, the Hoosiers clamped down, getting two stops before another basket by Gordon pushed the lead to six. The Wolverines came up empty on their next two trips before Etherington’s 3-pointer gave it a seven-point game.

Michigan was out-rebounded 31-22 and shot just 3-of-13 from behind the arc.

Vanderbilt tops Texas A&M in final seconds

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Morgan Batey made two free throws with 2.2 seconds to go to lift No. 16 Vanderbilt to a 71-69 victory Sunday over No. 17 Texas A&M.

Batey drove from the right wing to draw the foul on A&M’s Tori Scott for the game-winning free throws.

Karla Gilbert had just pulled Texas A&M even on a three-point play with 10.2 seconds left.

The Aggies had previously pulled to within one point three times in the final 2:25.

Batey finished with 17 points and scored nine of Vanderbilt’s last 11 points. Christina Faggie added 14 points and Jasmine Lister had 11 for the Commodores (17-5, 6-3 SEC).

Gilbert had 26 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Aggies (17-6, 7-2), and Tavashra Scott-Williams scored 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

Texas A&M took its first lead at 40-39 on Gilbert’s layup with 12:38 left and played back-and-forth the rest of the way.

Miami 83, North Carolina 80

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Adrienne Motley scored a career-high 27 points as Miami upset No. 6 North Carolina 83-80 on Sunday.

Keyona Hayes added 14 points, including a crucial second-chance layup with a minute to go, for the Hurricanes (12-10, 4-5 Atlantic Coast Conference), who snapped a three-game losing streak.

Xylina McDaniel and Diamond DeShields had 18 points each for the Tar Heels (17-5, 5-3), who fell behind by 19 in the first half after a 22-4 run by Miami. UNC managed just one field goal in seven minutes during that stretch.

While the Hurricanes allowed UNC to go on a 15-2 run to close the first half and briefly fell behind early in the second, their 57 percent shooting ensured the win.

North Carolina honored its 1994 national championship team for the ceremony.

For Pennsylvania basketball fans, the most exciting games are often where the Nittany Lions are playing. The team has a 1-2 record against ranked opponents this season, with a big win over the No. 13 Maryland Terrapins and a loss to the No. 21 Michigan Wolverines.

The Lions are in the thick of the race for the Big Ten title, and their next game is against the No. 3 Ohio State Buckeyes. The game is scheduled for February 28th, and it promises to be a thrilling matchup.

Penn State basketball fans are encouraged to purchase their tickets in advance, as the game is expected to sell out. Tickets can be purchased online through the official Penn State Athletics website or by calling the ticket office at 814-865-5500.

Tickets are also available at the box office located in the Bryce Jordan Center on game day.

The Bryce Jordan Center is located at 1200 South开拓路 for Penn State Dickinson School of Law students. The center features an iconic red dome and is home to the Penn State Nittany Lions basketball team.

The Penguins have a tough schedule ahead, with games against the No. 10 Florida State Seminoles and the No. 9 Iowa Hawkeyes.

Fans are encouraged to wear their Penn State gear and to show their support for the team. The Bryce Jordan Center is known for its lively atmosphere, and fans are encouraged to arrive early to secure their seats.

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Notre Dame rolls through exhibition contests

By GREG HADLEY Sports Writer

The offense was out in full force over the weekend for No. 4 Notre Dame, which started off its season on a high note inside the Loftus Center, sweeping through the exhibition schedule with wins over Bellarmine and Detroit, by scores of 12-5 and 22-7, respectively.

In both games, the Irish attack started off slow before exploding in the second half. Against Bellarmine on Saturday, the Irish went down 5-1 midway through the second quarter before reeling off 11 unanswered goals for the win. Sunday against Detroit, the two squads entered halftime locked in a 5-5 tie before the Irish scored eight consecutive goals to take a lead they would never relinquish. Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said he was particularly pleased with the depth his squad showed.

“We got a lot of guys who can score,” Corrigan said. “I’d be hard pressed to single out just one of them that was that much better. A lot of people played well today. They were all themselves, but played well.”

Leading the way for the offense was senior attack Ryan Mix and freshman midfielder Sergio Perkovic. Perkovic scored three early goals against Bellarmine to keep the Irish close, while Mix netted four goals against Detroit.

On defense, Notre Dame struggled early but came on strong to allow just two second-half goals in both games combined. Corrigan credited the turnaround to several mid-game adjustments.

“Scrimmages are a different animal from practices,” Corrigan said. “We were adjusting on the fly this weekend. In practice, we know what we’re going up against so we spend most of the time working nuance into our system, especially defensively. But for these games, we didn’t scout them or anything, so we had to adjust in the game. It was great for us to develop.”

Early foul trouble against Detroit did not make defense any easier for the Irish. Five of the Titans’ seven goals came on man-up opportunities, as the Irish spent most of the first quarter down a player.

“We’re not a team that usually fouls a lot,” Corrigan said. “So if we can figure that out (we’ll be fine). If we’re not man-down, I would say that we’re playing pretty good defense right now.”

With the loss of all-American goalie John Kemp to graduation, Corrigan started junior Conor Kelly in both matchups, but also gave substantial playing time to freshman Shane Doss.

The Notre Dame offense also had trouble producing in the first quarter, but picked up steam as each game went on. At the start of the second half against Detroit, the Irish scored five times in two and a half minutes to pull away. Corrigan said the offensive firepower was a result of better execution.

“I’d love to take credit for the adjustments we made,” Corrigan said. “But that was just our guys making plays, honestly. We were getting to the right spots and everyone was making good, smart, hard plays with the ball. As a team we can score a lot, especially when we play that unselfishly.”

Saturday’s game was the first matchup between Bellarmine and Notre Dame since 2009, but Detroit nearly knocked the Irish out in the first round of the NCAA tournament at the end of last season. The Irish eventually prevailed over the Titans, 9-7.

The Irish begin their regular season on Feb. 16 against Jacksonville, in Jacksonville, Fla.

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Irish split squad for N.M., Indiana meets

By MATTIE GARCIA Sports Writer

This weekend Notre Dame sent half its track and field team to the New Mexico Invitational, while the rest of the team stayed close to home for the Indiana Relays in Bloomington, Ind. Miles away from home and their teammates, the Irish placed highly in a nine-team field in New Mexico and continued their strong annual presence at the Indiana Relays.

The men finished third at the New Mexico Invitational, falling behind only Nebraska and LSU. The women placed fourth, with LSU, Nebraska and New Mexico taking the top three. Irish coach Joe Piane was with the team in New Mexico and said he was excited about the results.

“We beat UCLA, beat Arizona State, beat New Mexico, beat TCU, beat Air Force. It was a very successful meet,” Piane said.

The Barber sisters were at it again this weekend for the Irish, accumulating six top-three finishes between juniors Kaila and Jade, including a win by Jade in the 60-meter hurdles.

“Jade Barber ran an outstanding 60-meter hurdle,” Piane said. “That should be fast enough to get her in (to the NCAA championships).”

Irish graduate student Jeremy Rae also continued his dominant season, winning the men’s one-mile run by almost four seconds with a time of 4:02.62. After setting the school record for men’s 1,000-meter run last week at home, Rae has not stopped moving up in the national ranks, moving all the way up to second in the mile run.

“Not only is he a good runner, but he trains really hard and everybody on the team knows that,” Piane said of Rae. “If you want to emulate someone, he is the guy to emulate.”

Piane said a host of other Irish runners performed well over the weekend, as well, including a pair in the 3,000-meter run.

“Another guy that ran well is (graduate student) Nick Happe,” Piane said. “He won the 3,000-meter and is ranked about 10th in the country,” Piane said. “[Senior] Alexa Aragon won the 3,000-meter and did a great job.”

Happe turned in a time of 15:42.15 and claimed the victory by over 11 seconds, with Irish junior Jake Kildoo coming in behind him, while the senior Aragon sealed the win by over 30 seconds with a finish of 9:46.68. A pair of sprinters earned victories for the Irish when junior Josh Atkinson took home the win in the 60-meter dash B section by turning in a time of 6.84 and senior Patrick Ferney won the 400-meter dash with a time of 46.53.

Back in Indiana, the Irish took on a familiar venue in the Indiana Relays. Notre Dame collected 15 top-five finishes, including a victory in the men’s 400-meter run by sophomore Aaron Dunn, who turned in a time of 50.03. Connor Stapleton finished third in the mile, grabbing the silver in 3:50.34. In the men’s 800-meter, freshman Grant Koch, senior Eddie Gibbons and freshman Adam Turner all turned in top-five performances. Koch finished second in the event with a time of 1:51.54, slightly ahead of Gibbons and Turner, who took third in 1:51.64 and fifth in 1:54.78, respectively.

The Irish will look to continue their strong performances this weekend, when they host the Meyo Invitational on Friday and Saturday.

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TRACK AND FIELD

Junior Kaila Barber races at the Notre Dame Invitational on Jan. 25 in the Loftus Center. Barber nabbed a second-place finish in the 60-meter hurdles at the New Mexico Invitational on Saturday.

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Shorthanded ND earns seven wins

By ANDREW ROBINSON
Sports Writer

Squaring off against some of the nation’s top teams Saturday in the Northwestern duals, the young Notre Dame fencing squad — missing some of its key members — finished the day with seven team wins and six losses. The women ended with four team wins and three losses, while the men split their six matchups.

The women’s team started off strong with a 20-7 first-round win over Stanford. The foilists, sophomores Nicole McKeever and Sarah Followill and senior Adriana Camacho, posted a 9-0 record in the matchups.

The men’s squad was not as successful to start the day, falling 19-8 to Penn in its first bout.

“Although a few of the losses were disappointing to the Irish coach, Bednarski said a few young fencers performed very well relative to their experience, including freshman foilist Kristjan Archer. He also remained hopeful for the team moving forward.”

“We lost a couple of matches, but we also had some good rounds and gained experience, giving hope that we will be strong in the future,” Bednarski said.

“We’re going to miss them so much.”

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

The Irish came to win on senior day, taking the gold in 16 out of 20 events at the Shamrock Invitational against Iowa this weekend and outscoring their opponents 263-106.

Irish junior Emma Reaney said the large margin of victory was a good testament to the senior class.

“We always like to protect our house,” Reaney said. “To be able to do it by so much and on our senior night was great.”

Reaney said the use of a new, faster swimsuit by the Irish gave them a leg up on their competition.

“We wore fast suits and the other teams didn’t,” Reaney said. “It was definitely an advantage. We wanted to get a feel for the suits before conference to get prepared.”

The biggest victory of the weekend came when the Irish broke the pool record in the 800-yard freestyle relay. The team of Reaney, senior Kelly Ryan, junior Bridget Casey and freshman Katie Miller finished with a time of 7:22.65, defeated the previous record set by Ohio State in 2011 by .20 seconds. Reaney also broke a pool record in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 1:58.42. Reaney won four individual events, with NCAA B cuts in each event, and participated in three relay gold finishes.

Ryan took first in three individual events, qualifying for the NCAA B cuts in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke with respective times of 54.42 and 1:57.57.

Miller also made a name for herself this weekend, taking first in the 400-yard individual medley and qualifying for the NCAA B cuts in the 200- and 400-yard backstrokes with times of 2:00.99 and 4:17.62, respectively. Miller also earned an NCAA B cut in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:58.55. Finally, Casey rounded out the 10 NCAA B Cuts for the Irish with her 1:59.30 finish in the 200-yard butterfly, good for a first-place finish.

The meet also took a few minutes to honor Ryan and her fellow seniors: Sarah Doitze, Mikelle Maciantonio, Christen McDonough and Lauren Stauder.

Reaney said the senior’s reflections on their time with the Irish resonated with the team.

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The Irish will be back in action for the epeeists.

“Talking about what they loved most about Notre Dame was really emotional and heartfelt,” Reaney said. “We’re going to miss them so much.”

The Irish will close out their regular season with a home meet against Cleveland State on Saturday before preparing for the ACC Championships on Feb. 19.

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forward Matt Willows snuck around the Irish defense and made a nice move past Irish senior goaltender Steven Summerhays to give New Hampshire a shorthanded goal and a 3-2 lead.

The Wildcats added another goal early in the third to double their lead, then closed out the scoring at 5-2 with an empty-netter in the final minute of the game. All in all, the Irish power play was 0-for-6 on the weekend, while surrendering the key Willows goal.

After the sweep, the Irish now sit in a tie for eighth in the Hockey East standings, with just seven conference games left on its schedule. Notre Dame is now 1-6 on the road in conference games, and its three remaining road games will come against No. 2 Boston College and No. 7 Providence.

The Irish will return home next weekend though, as they’ll face off with Maine in a pair of games on Friday and Saturday night.

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when asked about the opening minutes of the second half. “We didn’t rebound, and they got some offensive rebounds. They’re a really good team, so you expect they’re going to have a stretch where they’re going to make some shots and I felt we weathered the storm and were able to come out on top.”

Kayla McBride made her first five shots and finished the afternoon with 23 points and 11 rebounds. Duke’s leading scorer, Liston, also netted 23 points.

“She played well,” McGraw said of Liston. “I thought that we actually did a pretty good job on her for a stretch in the second half, but she still ended up with 23 points. She’s one of the best players in the league, really hard to guard, and she played well.”

Achonwa and Allen both scored 15 points, while Loyd added 17. The Irish bench added an extra 18 points, while the Duke bench scored just three.

“I thought the bench was critical in the win,” McGraw said. “We just got such great production from everybody who came in the game. And that’s kind of a hostile environment, a really great crowd and atmosphere, and we really played well.”

The loss was the second of the year for the Blue Devils, who have now lost to the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the country, both times by double digits. No. 1 UConn won, 83-61, when the two teams met in Durham, N.C., on Dec. 17.

The Irish are still undefeated after 21 games, but McGraw said she is not worried about keeping her team focused.

“It’s easy,” she said. “We have a goal, and we’re working every day to it. We can’t get too high after one win, and we have to get ready for Florida State.”

The ACC gauntlet continues Thursday when the Irish head to Tallahassee, Fla., to take on No. 23 Florida State at 7 p.m.
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to 37-36. “When you’re down nine or 10 early in the second half, I think you’re at a crossroads a little bit,” Irish coach Mike Brey said. “But I thought what helped us offensively was we went smaller like we did in the Duke game and just started ball-screening for Eric and let him make plays for us.”

But Boston College again began to take control of the game. The Eagles went up 45-38 with 9:31 left in regulation after former Irish guard redshirt junior Alex Dragicevich drilled a 3-pointer for Boston College. The transfer ended the game with seven points and endured a plethora of boos from the Irish faithful each time he touched the ball.

The Irish then used a breakout performance from freshman forward V.J. Beachem to come back. Beachem scored seven points in 4:18 span, including a layup with 7.8 seconds left. Eagles sophomore guard Olivier Hanlan then missed the front-end of a one-and-one before Atkins sent the game to overtime with his free throw on the other end.

In overtime, the Irish gained a 73-69 lead before Boston College scored four unanswered points to tie the game with 35.5 seconds remaining and set the stage for Atkins’ heroics. After scoring just four points in the first half on 1-for-5 shooting, Atkins finished the night 9-for-17 for 24 points. Irish junior forward Pat Connaughton contributed 17 points and nine rebounds, while sophomore forward Zach Auguste added 10 points and eight boards.

The Irish next headed to Syracuse for a Monday night matchup with the No. 2 Orange (21-0, 8-0) at 7 p.m. The Orange are coming off a 91-89 overtime home win over No. 17 Duke on Saturday night, and the Irish are wireless in their last three games in the Carrier Dome. Syracuse is also one of just two remaining undefeated teams in Division I and will likely move into the top slot when the new national rankings are released Monday morning after No. 1 Arizona’s 68-58 upset loss to Cal on Saturday night.

“What a great opportunity,” Brey said. “We won’t have much of a shot in there — maybe they’ll be No. 1 in the country — but I sure like going to Syracuse and competing Monday night after what happened this afternoon than the alternative or what could have happened and not getting (the win). So I think we’ll go up there with a positive frame of mind with nothing to lose and let it rip.”

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Football

entire offense and really set the table in making sure that all that is put together and laid out there so we can have a great Saturday moving the ball effectively.”

“It’s my responsibility to really make sure this thing looks the way coach Kelly wants it to look, have the menu, if you will, available to him,” Denbrock said.

LaFleur, meanwhile, spent the past four seasons as the quarterbacks coach of the Washington Redskins. The 33-year old began his coaching career at his alma mater, Saginaw Valley State, in 2003 as an offensive assistant and later served in the same role in 2004 and 2005 under Kelly at Central Michigan.

LaFleur played two seasons at Western Michigan before transferring to Saginaw Valley State, where he made his first career start at quarterback — a 28-24 victory — against Kelly’s Grand Valley State squad in 2000.

“If I get a chance to watch Matt as a player — that’s a great competitor, loved the way he played the game,” Kelly said. “... And then was able to hire him when I was at Central Michigan, did a great job developing a dual-threat quarterback that we had at Central Michigan in Dan LeFevour.”

“I loved the way he was able to communicate with him and build a great relationship with him,” Kelly said.

Along with the new coaches, Kelly expressed the desire to transition back to an offense that he believes “is best suited for the personnel that we have.” Kelly said that philosophy starts at quarterback, where he would like to see more plays being made outside the pocket. Overall, the offense figures to move at a faster tempo.

“He likes to be very aggressive with what he does,” Denbrock said. “I like Everett … but I’m also somebody that wants to make sure ... that we give everybody an opportunity to compete for that position.”

In addition to working with LeFevour — who graduated from Central Michigan as the only player in NCAA history with 12,000 career passing yards and 2,500 career rushing yards — LaFleur coached Redskins quarterback and 2011 Heisman Trophy winner Robert Griffin III the last two seasons in Washington.

“There’s a fine line that you can’t be too strict in your teachings to take that playmaker ability out of that quarterback,” LaFleur said.

Injury updates

Kelly said rising senior linebacker Ben Councell and rising senior center Nick Martin “have exceeded all expectations” in their recoveries. Councell tore his left ACL against Navy on Nov. 2, and Martin tore his left ACL three weeks later against BYU.

“If they walked through here right now, you would not know they had surgery,” Kelly said. “They are well ahead of schedule.”

Kelly said rising senior linebacker Jarrett Grace’s recovery is progressing, but at a slower pace. Grace broke the fibula in his right leg Oct. 5 against Arizona State.

Rising senior safety Nicky Baratti (shoulder) could be cleared for contact in April, but Kelly said they may hold him out of contact through the spring and have his first contact come in the fall.

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Birthday Baby: You are sensitive, intuitive and creative. You are loving, gracious and kind.
ND tops Duke, stays perfect

By VICKY JACOBSEN
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No. 3 Duke kept No. 2 Notre Dame within striking distance for the first 25 minutes of Sunday’s matinee, but the Irish ran away with the second half to hand the Blue Devils an 88-67 loss, their first defeat at home by a conference opponent since 2008.

“I’m really, really impressed with the game,” Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. “We could have rebounded better, but the offense did a really nice job. I thought [senior guard] Kayla McBride, [sophomore guard] Jewell Loyd, [freshman guard] Lindsay Allen and [senior forward] Natalie Achonwa, they really came out and played one of their best games of the year.”

Allen scored a layup four seconds into the game, and from then on the Irish [21-0, 8-0 ACC] never trailed. The Irish jumped out to an 8-2 lead in the opening minutes, but four consecutive Duke baskets by senior guard Tricia Liston cut the advantage to two halfway through the first period. The Irish went on a 11-0 run several minutes later to extend a 26-23 lead to 37-23 before heading into halftime up 44-34.

The Blue Devils [21-2, 8-1] came out of the break with a vengeance, opening the half with a 5-0 run. They were able to hold the deficit in the single digits for a time, but a three-point shot by Irish sophomore guard Mabrey with 14:13 remaining put Notre Dame up by 10, and after that the Blue Devils could never catch up.

“We got a little sloppy, turned the ball over a couple of times,” McGraw said. “I really had a clean look at it and didn’t have another chance,” Atkins said. “When I got it, I just didn’t have another chance, and make sure that they really have my trust in putting together the offense on a day-to-day basis for us,” Kelly said.

Kelly reaffirmed Friday that he will call the plays next season, a task Martin carried out in 2013. “Mike will put it all together,” Kelly said. “He’ll oversee the Irish offensive coordinator Mike Denbrock speaks at his introductory press conference Friday at the Guggenheim Athletics Complex.

Kelly introduces Denbrock, LaFleur

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Irish head coach Brian Kelly officially introduced two new coaches — offensive coordinator Mike Denbrock and quarterbacks coach Matt LaFleur — in a joint press conference Friday. Denbrock, who previously coached Irish offensive tackles and tight ends from 2002-04, rejoined the Notre Dame staff in 2010 and spent his first two seasons coaching the tight ends. During the past two seasons, Denbrock has been the outside wide receivers coach and the passing game coordinator.

After former offensive coordinator Chuck Martin left in December to become the head coach at Miami (Ohio), Denbrock served as interim offensive coordinator in the Pinstripe Bowl win over Rutgers.

“[Denbrock has] a great understanding of the offense that we want to run and certainly has my trust in putting together the offense on a day-to-day basis for us,” Kelly said.

Wildcats sweep Notre Dame

Observer Staff Report

With its trip to New Hampshire this weekend, No. 14 Notre Dame was hoping to keep its momentum rolling through a key road series. Instead, the Irish got more than they could handle from the Wildcats, who used 4-2 and 5-2 victories to send Notre Dame home without a point.

The Irish [15-11-1, 4-8-1 Hockey East] outshot the hosts by double-digits on both nights, but New Hampshire [16-13-1, 8-6-0] made the most of its chances and shut down the Irish power play to secure the weekend sweep.

On Friday night, the Irish had to contend with a brand new environment, facing off against both a rowdy crowd (roughly 6,000 on both nights) and an unfamiliar rink (the far wider, Olympic-sized sheet). Still, the Irish came out firing early as a shot from junior defenseman Eric Johnson caromed in off the skate of sophomore winger Mario Lucia to give the visitors a 1-0 lead in the second period. However, that was the only lead Notre Dame would hold all weekend, as New Hampshire finished off the period with two goals of its own.

Up one, the Wildcats appeared to be in the driver’s seat when they went on the power play with just over five minutes to play. Irish senior forwards T.J. Tynan and Bryan Rust took a long rebound and started a break, where Rust took a pass from Tynan and buried his shot to get a late, late goal to make it 3-1.

The Irish didn’t start as well on Saturday night, though goals from Lucia and Tynan — both assisted by freshman center Vince Hinostroza — dug them out of early 1-0 and 2-1 deficits. The Wildcats flipped the tide of the game in their favor late in the second period, when sophomore