Nanovic honors professor for research

*Jerrold Seigel will accept $10,000 prize and give lecture in the fall*

By JACK ROONEY
News Writer

The Nanovic Institute for European Studies and a panel of jurors featuring two Notre Dame professors awarded the annual $10,000 Laura Shannon Prize in Contemporary European Studies to Jerrold Seigel for his book “Modernity and Bourgeois Life: Society, Politics and Culture in England, France and Germany since 1750.”

Last Monday, the Nanovic Institute announced the winner of this fifth annual prize. Nanovic manager of operations Monica Caro said the award goes to “the author of the best book in European studies that transcends a focus on any one country, state or people to stimulate new ways of thinking about contemporary Europe as a whole.”

Peter Holland, an associate dean in the College of Arts and Letters and one of the jury members for the prize, said the young award has quickly gained prestige in the field of European Studies. “Its reputation has grown very quickly, indeed,” Holland said. “One of the ways that one can measure that, if you like, is that we ended up with a very distinguished international committee of jurors. The fact that people are willing to do it is a sign that they want to find a good and deserving winner for a major prize.”

A. James McAdams, director of the Nanovic Institute, said the prize is now the most prestigious of its kind. “There is no doubt about it, we have created the leading book prize in European studies in the country,” McAdams said.

A press release on the Nanovic website said the jury also included Notre Dame professor emeritus Alasdair Macintyre as well as professors from Yale, Stanford and the University of Amsterdam. The jury praised Seigel’s book as an influential and significant work in the field of European Studies.

A statement from the jury said, “A work of erudite detail and stunning originality, Jerrold Seigel’s ‘Modernity and Bourgeois Life’ offers a magisterial account of the development of networks in terms of economy, politics and aesthetic culture Here is a work of scholarly synthesis that, if you like, is that we want to find state or people to stimulate new ways of thinking about contemporary Europe as a whole.”

Belles around the world showcase class rings

By VERONICA DARLING
News Writer

The website for Saint Mary’s College now features the page “Belles Ring Around the World,” a site of alumnae and current Belles wearing their class rings in locations around the globe.

Alumna Caitlin DeCoursey (Class of 2012) said she wears her Saint Mary’s class ring for important occasions as she sees it as a symbol of strength and accomplishment. On the Saint Mary’s webpage, DeCoursey wears her ring during her first round of chemotherapy. “I was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s lymphoma one month ago and just started treatment,” she said. “I shared my picture to show other Belles who may be going through a difficult situation that we are strong, we are fighters, we can get through anything.”

Since her diagnosis, DeCoursey said the Saint Mary’s family has acted as an incredible source of love and support the girls and women. “The goal is to make sure that these young women are willing to do it as opposed to having society decide who they want to be,” Cadet said planning for this event. Sophomore Lena Madison, the club’s treasurer, said this year’s event focuses on promoting individuality. “It’s important because it’s empowering women to be who they are,” Madison said. “The goal is to make sure that young women know that they can decide who they want to be, as opposed to having society decide who they ought to be.”

By CHARLIE DUCEY
News Writer

Shades of Ebony, an organization of female African-American students at Notre Dame, sought to empower local South Bend high-school students with their BeAuTiful event in the Coleman-Morse student lounge on Thursday. Shades of Ebony vice-president Deandra Cadet said the BeAuTiful event brought together Shades of Ebony members, guest speakers and around 50 female African-American students from Washington High School for an evening of group discussion and presentations centering on individuality and self-esteem.

“The year the theme is ‘Believe in Your Beautiful,’” Cadet said. “We will focus on believing in the beauty of yourself, of others and your future,” Cadet said. “Our goal is to mentor and support the girls and provide them with tips and advice for self-esteem, image and the future through the words of exceptional speakers and discussion.”

Cadet said planning for the annual high school outreach event involved community engagement on and off campus. “We reached out to the guidance counselors from various South Bend schools and visited to send permission slips, flyers and waivers,” Cadet said. “As far as funding, many dorms have generously donated to support the success of this event.”

Freshman Arielle Flowers, a committee member of Shades of Ebony, said the event's focus on individuality is much needed.

Professor studies Arab Spring protests

By KATIE McCARTY
News Writer

Notre Dame psychology professor Laura Miller described her new line of research on the effects of extreme trauma on children and adults involved in the Arab Spring as “a marriage of treatment.”
Brian “Rowdy” Raddi and Eric “P-Rex” Palutsis square off in the quarterfinal round of Bengal Bouts, the annual men’s boxing tournament, on Thursday. Raddy won the match, the proceeds of which will fund Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh.

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## The Next Five Days:

### Friday
- **Women’s Tennis**
  - Eck Tennis Pavilion
  - 4 p.m.-6 p.m.
  - Match against Georgia Tech. Free admission.
- **Memorial for Akash Sharma**
  - LaFortune Ballroom
  - 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
  - Memorial service for graduate student.

### Saturday
- **Men’s Lacrosse**
  - Loftus Sports Center
  - 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
  - The Irish take on the Penn State Nittany Lions.
- **Indian Film Night**
  - “English Vinglish”
  - LaFortune Student Center
  - 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
  - Refreshments provided.

### Sunday
- **Women on Weights Workshop**
  - Role Play Center
  - 10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
  - Reserve spots online.
- **Swing Dance Performance**
  - Washington Hall
  - 7:30 p.m.-9:45 p.m.
  - On the evolution of swing dance.

### Monday
- **Revolution in Ukraine**
  - LaFortune Student Center
  - 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
  - Current political turmoil discussed.

### Tuesday
- **International Tax Assistance**
  - LaFortune Student Center
  - All day
  - By appointment only.
- **Men’s Boxing: Bengal Bouts**
  - Joyce Center
  - 7 p.m.-8 p.m.
  - Semifinal round.

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY:**

**What is the hairdo of your soul?**

Ryan Gryzb
sophomore
Alumni Hall
“Afro.”

Lisa Slomka
junior
Ryan Hall
“Pocahontas hair, super-natural-looking, long straight and dark.”

Kaitlin Jacobson
sophomore
Cavanaugh Hall
“French braid.”

Dan Chrzanowski
sophomore
Alumni Hall
“Reverse Mohawk.”

Dani Grover
sophomore
Cavanaugh Hall
“Curly side ponytail.”

Jennifer Doan
senior
off-campus
“Really short layers with red highlight.”
In preparation for the Dance Marathon at Saint Mary’s, scheduled to take place April 5, the team of Belles organizing the event is working on spreading awareness and raising money throughout the South Bend community. The Dance Marathon is a student-led fundraiser, benefitting Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis.

President and senior Ellen Smith said a group of young women who wanted to bring the pure magic of dance marathon to campus started the event nine years ago.

“So far we have almost 130 girls registered for the Marathon,” Smith said. “We are hoping to at least double that number by the date of our Marathon.”

Smith said one of her major goals for this year’s Dance Marathon is to continue to increase the knowledge and awareness of the event’s cause to her classmates.

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“ar the problem is that society propagates stereotypes about being an African-American, and a woman on top of that,” Flowers said. “But this event is about being what you are, saying what you feel and fitting in the skin that you’re in.”

According to Madison, the role of beauty and image formed another focus of the event.

“Right now in society, it’s easy to think that you need to be perfect in every way. So when we look at body image, we’re trying to say that you’re in the skin that you’re in and the things that matter are what people don’t see at first glance,” Madison said. “Appearance is nothing compared to what someone can be inside and as a person.”

Guest speakers and Notre Dame graduates Arienne Thompson (class of 2004) and Jocelyn Allen (Class of 1991) helped impart the group’s central message of individuality and self-esteem. Thompson, who helped found Shades of Ebony in 2004, spoke on the themes of believing in self, others and destiny.

In addition to the BeatUful event, Cadet said Shades of Ebony hosts other events targeting community engagement, inclusion and sisterhood.

“Our biggest event, started last year, is Women’s Week and is co-hosted by the Gender Relations Center,” Cadet said. “It is a week-long event in celebration of Notre Dame women focused around spirituality, service, discussion and community.”

The club also meets routinely every other Wednesday in the Walsh Hall basement to discuss issues such as those focused on high school students.

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Co-fundraising executive

6:00 p.m.

Nanovic said each person on the executive board aims to raise at least $750, but the team harvests more than monetary goals.

“Personally, I want to exert all of my efforts into planning the best Dance Marathon yet,” she said. “It is an indescribable feeling to see the smiling faces of children who you have helped by dedicating much of your time into raising money and awareness for Riley.”

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and support, and she said she feels especially connected to them when she wears her ring. “I haven’t seen many of them since graduation because I live in Southern California, but in the middle east have still found ways to show they still care through cards, messages, gifts, or phone calls,” DeCoursey said. “I wouldn’t trade my fellow Belles for anything.”

Recently, Cherpak said all the women in her family attended Saint Mary’s and their class rings symbolize their time at the College. In her photo, Dapper is seen with four fellow Belles, showing off their golden rings.

Dapper said she has waited to receive her class ring since freshman year and was excited to order and receive it in the mail her junior year. “The ring is beautiful, and because it is such a significant tradition, I enjoy wearing it all the time,” she said.

Even while traveling through airports, Dapper said people have approached her mother after noticing her Saint Mary’s class ring. “It is great to see how such a small symbol means so much to all the women who attend or have attended Saint Mary’s,” she said.

Alumna Stephanie Cherpak (Class of 2013) said her website photo was taken at the Grotto during her engagement photo session with Notre Dame fiancé, Matthew Clary (Class of 2013). “The Grotto is a special place for us and not only because it is the location where we became engaged,” she said. “Matt says that it was a place at which he always found himself spending time after walking me back to Blink.”

The Grotto often served as a meeting place for the two throughout their college years. Cherpak said the couple’s class rings are as symbolic to their relationship as is the Grotto. “A relationship with God has always been a part of Matt’s and my relationship with each other, so lighting a candle together at the Grotto during the early months of our engagement serves as an outward symbol of the commitment to God we hope will always be central to our relationship,” she said.

The tradition of lighting candles at the Grotto and our SMC and ND rings reminds us of the wonderful communities to which we belong, Cherpak said. “Some people may think the SMC ring is a materialistic, money-making gimmick, but for those of us who have experienced what it means to be a Belle, we know that the Saint Mary’s ring is much more than a nice piece of jewelry,” Cherpak said. “It symbolizes a common experience among us, lived out in different ways; a community that will support, challenge, applaud, and console us when appropriate; and a place that will always make us feel at home.”

Cherpak said she wears her Saint Mary’s ring as it is a reminder of the institution and people who played a significant role in forming her into the woman she is today. “It is comforting to always have a tangible piece of Saint Mary’s with me, an outward symbol of the many ‘pieces’ of Saint Mary’s that are always in my heart and mind,” she said.

In much the same way that religious brothers and sisters wear a specific pendant or pin to symbolize the community to which they belong, I wear my Saint Mary’s ring so that people will know I am a Saint Mary’s woman and proud of it,” Cherpak now attends the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, a graduate school of theology and ministry, where a high percentage of students belong to religious communities. Many of them wear rings, pendants, or pins that symbolize the religious community they belong to. In fact, the Saint Mary’s ring looks unique, especially with its French Cross on top, Cherpak said she is often asked about the ring and its background.

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between [her] interests.”

The Arab Spring, a wave of demonstrations and protests across the Middle East, began in 2010 and has since left its mark on the people of the region, Miller said. “The nature of the Arab Spring has looked like and the enduring effects of initial protests have been quite different in each country,” Miller said. “In the case of Egypt, the Arab Spring took flight in the wake of an amazing surge of hopeful- ness and the removal of long-time dictator Hosni Mubarak from office, but has tragically devolved over time into military rule and pervasive instability.”

Miller said her interest in the Middle East began in her undergraduate years at Notre Dame, where she studied abroad in Cairo. She wrote her senior thesis on political involvement and perceptions of mental health care among university students in Egypt. She said she then focused her graduate study on clinical psychology on the effect of violence on children. From there, her research on the events in the Middle East took flight.

Miller, who teaches the class Psychology of Peace at Notre Dame, said her research is still in its early stages. “My collaborators and I have identified university partnerships that will be critical for facilitating our research,” Miller said. “We are starting by engaging in some academic forums that will identify the key issues, needs and research priorities.

“I think that it is likely we will start with some preliminary online surveys to identify some of the cultural adaptations. We will need to make commonly used treatment methodologies and to identify ways that we can make treatment more accessible.”

The effect of the Arab Spring on the mental health of those in the Middle East will be forthcoming, but Miller said the results will almost certainly indicate a need for trauma services in the region.

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Election in the perennial presidential swing state. Recent polls suggest he holds a narrow advantage over Ed FitzGerald, a little-known democratic county executive. A former House Budget Committee chairman, Kasich was humbled by an embarrassing 2011 that overturned restrictions he championed on unions representing police, firefighters, teachers and other public workers. Kasich briefly sought the presidency in 1999 and the democratic governors. But it was unclear how binding the move would be. Presidential adviser Martin Stavinich was quoted by the Interfax news agency as saying that the move goes into effect immediately, but that a mechanism for carrying it out would have to be developed by the president’s office and the Interior Ministry.

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Musiy told The Associated Press that at least 70 protesters were killed Thursday and over 500 were wounded in the clashes — and that the death toll could rise further.

In addition, three policemen were killed Thursday and 28 suffered gunshot wounds, Interior Ministry spokesman Serhiy Budivyotskyi said.

The National Health Ministry said a total of 75 people died in the clashes Tuesday and Thursday, but did not give a breakdown. Earlier Thursday, however, it said 28 people had died.

There was no way to immediately verify any of the death tolls.

French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius, along with his German and Polish counterparts, said after a five-hour meeting with Yanukovych and another with opposition leaders that they discussed new elections and a new government, but gave no details. The three resumed meeting with Yanukovych late Thursday.

“For now, there are no results,” said an opposition leader, Vitali Klitschko.

Video footage on Ukrainian television showed shocking scenes Thursday of protesters being cut down by gunfire, lying on the pavement in a scene rushed to their aid. Trying to protect themselves with shields, teams of protesters carried bod- 

Democratic lawmakers called for a mechanism for carrying it out. Walker was never charged with any wrongdoing. The probe closed last year without charges.

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Haley Barbour
former Mississippi governor


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CARACAS — Venezuelan opposition leaders condemned the government Thursday for its heavy-handed attempt to subdue a protest movement with nighttime sweeps that have turned many parts of the country into dangerous free-fire zones.

Police, National Guard troops and members of private militias have swarmed through streets in the capital and elsewhere firing volleys, at times indiscriminately, in repeated spasms of night-time violence in recent days.

Henrique Capriles, the two-time presidential candidate of an opposition coalition, said the government has engaged in "brutal repression" as it goes after students and other protestors, in some cases breaking into apartment buildings to arrest those it accuses of taking part in a attempted coup.

"What does the government want, a civil war?" Capriles asked at a news conference.

David Smolansky, an opposition mayor of a district in Caracas, said the country is passing through the harshest wave of political persecution in decades with the response to the protests and the jailing of opposition leader Leopoldo Lopez.

Jose Leon, a 20-year-old business student who took part in a demonstration in the Altamira neighborhood of Caracas on Wednesday night, said authorities who roughly detained students and fired tear gas overreacted to a peaceful protest.

"We've spent years trying for peaceful dialogue. How can you talk with a government that hunts down its own citizens like criminals?" Leon said as he took part in a small protest on Thursday in the same spot.

The clashes with authorities as well as the pursuit of anti-government activists by troops and militias take place in darkness. During the day, the capital is safe, normal, with businesses and schools open and people going about their business, while stockpiling on groceries in case of further unrest.

President Nicolas Maduro and his administration have been engaging protests against his socialist government in the oil-rich but economically struggling country are part of an attempted coup sponsored by right-wing and "fascist" opponents in Venezuela and abroad, particularly the United States.

Maduro has vowed to crack down on the protests, particularly in Tachira, on the western border with Colombia, where the unrest has been particularly strong. The interior ministry said Thursday it would send a national guard battalion there to the area restore order.

Interior Minister Miguel Rodriguez Torres said that send the battalion can happen only if the San Cristobal, an opposition stronghold where Maduro has said he would consider impossing martial law, is necessary.

The 42-year-old politician could face at least 10 years in prison.

In a message from his Twitter account, opposition leader Leopoldo Lopez's wife, Lilian Tintori, urged his followers on as she announced the court decision. "Change is within us, our only hope on behalf of our country's future. Don't give up. I won't."

Throughout Wednesday night, anti-government protestors in Caracas and other cities set trash fires in streets and threw rocks at National Guard troops, who fired tear gas, water cannons and rubber bullets.

Gunfire was heard in downtown Caracas and on television and videos and photos on social media showed several people with serious injuries, including fractures, burns, that circumstances and conditions could not be verified.

The crackle of gunfire mixed with the roar of swarms of motorcycles, a combination of police and National Guard troops as well as the pro-government militias known as "colectivos."

In videos circulating on social media, police and guard troops can be seen pursuing protesters in the streets and firing weapons, the shots compete in the night with the sound of citizens running pots outside their windows in protest and shouting insults.

The opposition is planning further demonstrations across the country Saturday to protest the jailing of Lopez as well as the rampant crime, shortages of cooking gas, and of more than 50 percent that has made life difficult for many in the country of nearly 30 million people.

Venezuela opposition movement stages protests

Native American tribal items return to Arizona

The tribes say the items — 21 ceremonial items bought last year at auction in France are set to return to Arizona in a way that pays reverence to the beliefs of American Indian tribes. The masks and hoods involve the ancestral spirits of the Hopi and Apache tribes — who consider them living beings in keeping with tradition — and the expectation is they will be treated as such. That means shipping the sacred items free of plastics, bubble wrap or other synthetic material that would be suffocating. The items also should face the direction of the rising sun, have space to breathe, and be spoken to during their journey.

The shipping reflects the deeply sensitive nature of the items that the Los Angeles-based Annenberg Foundation quietly bought for $530,000 at a contested Paris auction two months ago with the goal of sending them back to their tribal homes in eastern Arizona.

The Hopi and two Apache tribes believe the return of the objects, kept largely out of public view, will put tribal members on a healing path and help restore harmony not only in their communities but among humankind as well.

"The elders have told us the reason we have the ills of society, suicides, murders, domestic violence, is that we’re suffering because these things are gone and the harmony is gone," said Vincent Randall, cultural director for the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

The tribes say the items — 21 pieces are headed to the Hopi, two to the San Carlos Apache and one to the White Mountain Apache — were taken from their reservations in the late 19th and 20th centuries at a time when collectors and museums competed for sensitive items from the Western tribes.

Thermal archaeologists say the objects also could have been traded for food and water, or otherwise used.

Dr. Cheryl Maxson, a professor of archaeology at the University of Arizona, said it is rare for these objects to be returned to tribes.

In Hopi belief, the Kachina friends emerge from the earth and sky to connect people to the spiritual world and to their ancestors. Caretakers, who mostly are men, nurture the masks as if they are the living dead.

Visitors to the Hopi reservation late won’t see the masks displayed on shelves or in museums, and the ritual associated with them is a lifelong learning process.

The San Carlos Apache recount a story of ceremonial items being wrested from the hands of tribal people who were impressed by the U.S. military at Fort Apache. Journal entries from the time showed that, as usual, as medals, cincture bundles and other prayer items akin to crosses and holy water were taken, said Vernele Grant, director of the Historic Preservation and Archaeology Department for the San Carlos Apache Tribe.

"Of course you’re going to be emotional, and of course it’s going to have an effect on your health, the welfare of your people, she said. "It kills them, it killed us emotionally. Those items were taken care of until those times came. We were forced to hand them over so we could get what? A box of ration, a blanket?"

As for the San Carlos Apache, the hoods represent the moun- tain spirits reincarnated in men who make and wear them to carry on the healing or teaching or when girls reach puberty. Each is fashioned by a tribal member endowed with a gift of being a spiritual leader. Once the hoods have been used, they are put away in an undisclosed location in the mountains, known only to the spiritual leader through a revelation from the "ruler of life," or God. If they are disturbed or removed, a curse of sorts can be placed upon humanity, Randall said.

Although the Apaches are among the most peaceful tribes in getting items within the United States returned to the tribes, they could do little once the items were stolen.

The auction house argued that the items rightfully were in private collectors’ hands. A French court ordered the Hopi to block the sale said that unlike the U.S., France has no laws to protect indigenous peoples.

In a statement Friday, April 1, a Paris court ruled that such sales are legal. Around 70 masks were sold for some $1.2 million, despite protests and criticism from the U.S. government.
Why do men have nipples?

Erin Rice

Do you believe that every bit of the human body serves a purpose? What if you could do something with your body that no one else could? What if you could use your body to solve problems? What if you could use your body to make you feel better? What if you could use your body to achieve your goals? What if you could use your body to make you more successful?

Spring break is rolling right around the corner. I’m sure you’ve been lifting hard core to perfect your physique, preparing yourself for beach time and lying in the sun, but are you prepared for the potentially awkward conversations you could have with complete strangers?

Don’t be scared, there is a solution to your problem! My friend, who was unimpressed with my inability to have interesting conversations, bought me the book “Why Do Men Have Nipples” by Mark Leyner and Billy Goldberg.

Even the title makes you want to ask more. (Seriously, why do guys have nipples, though?) The book is full of answers to a collection of big questions. It’s as though the authors have a direct line to the cocktail of anaerobic bacteria, the xenotomia and volatile sulfur compounds that build up in your sleep.

I have finally found the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for. It’s the book that I have been waiting for.

Questions range from ones you never thought to ask such as “Can I lose my contact lens inside my head forever?” to ones you never questioned such as “Does warm milk help you fall asleep?” That will surely get the conversation rolling.

The book is extremely useful in improving your social skills. I can confirm this on a personal account. If you find yourself in an awkward pause in a conversation, instead of chatting about the weather, pull one of these: “Anyway, did you know that morning breath is caused by the combination of anaerobic bacteria, the xenotomia and volatile sulfur compounds that build up in your sleep?” That will surely get the conversation rolling.

Study the questions before spring break and you will be prepared for any situation on the spot. You will never have to talk about that one calculus test you killed freshman year or how you lost your bike in the snow ever again.

Get online (don’t drive anywhere, you will never escape the snow filled parking lot labyrinth) and order “Why Do Men Have Nipples” by Mark Leyner and Billy Goldberg right now. This could possibly be the best choice you have ever made.

You’ll be more confident than ever when you see that cute girl on the beach, I’m sure she’s extremely curious as to why you can ignore a fart.

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With classes, less is more

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REFRAMING GOP’S AMERICAN DREAM

By JC Sullivan

Brojo

The greatest rater of all time turns 75 to- day, and we think all of Notre Dame should know about it.

Ever since our forefathers were exiled from the illustrious Flanner Hall in 1987, Brother Jerome Meyer has fearlessly led the Knot Hall Juggerknotts to glory. Brojo, as he is affectionately known throughout the hall, is a jack-of-all-trades, a renaissance man in Knott hall fashion and thoroughly dominates the rector of Siegfried Hall in a match of arm wrestling. Not to be limited to purely physical prowess, Brother Jerome maintains an im- pressive repertoire of musical knowledge. At a recent hall government meeting, he informed us that he listens to 2 Chainz each night before bed.

When stress rises and temperatures fall during finals week each December, Brojo puts everyone at ease with a batch of world- famous Brojo Chili, announce by the requisite, “Cold today, chili tonight” email.

Indeed, he is man of wit.

Brother Jerome’s greatest skill by a long shot is his genuine care for all the residents of our fine dormitory. For many juggerknoggers, Brother Jerome’s warm, jolly “Hulk!” encapsulates their time in Knott hall. He is committed to creat- ing a Christian community where all juggerknoggers can thrive. From the fresh- man struggling to find his place to the senior who has finally made it: Brother Jerome truly loves every one of us. On behalf of the many juggerknoggers blessed to have lived under his guidance, happy 75th birthday to Brother Jerome!

Andrew Weiler
President
Knot Hall
Feb. 21

The Republican Party has a rhetoric problem. The general rhetoric of the party reflects a deviation from fundamental party principles and, I believe, is part of the reason the party is in such disarray. The root of the problem lies in an inadequate or an unrealistic appeal to the average person’s perception of the American dream.

Now, I must qualify this problem. The Republican Party encompases a vast range of the political spectrum and therefore this problem reflects a general trend, not an all encompassing, concrete shift. Admittedly, nobody argued for the other side on that particular point.

These are all legitimate criticisms in the sense that the students who expressed them believe as they do for reasons that are logically valid and based in personal experience and perceptions. But I will counter that the real problem with Notre Dame is that the space necessary to sort these issues out — to debate them, discuss them, and act on them to make the University better — is currently occupied, not by Facebook and Twitter or drunken hookups or even athletics, but by the time and mental energy necessary to balance five different classes at once.

I wanted to get a sense of whether students at our peer institutions have the same predicament. I did what I could on the research end within the limits placed on me by midterm weeks and Olympic hockey. What I can tell you is that for those pursuing a degree at Harvard, Yale, Brown, Cornell, Michigan or Emory, taking five classes per semester is the exception, not the rule. Most of the students there take four and they seem un- harmed. Other institutions such as Stanford, Northwestern, Dartmouth and University of Chicago have quarter or trimester schedules that have their own costs and benefits. The point is that the common practice of taking five or even six classes in a semester is really not that common outside of Notre Dame. That so many of our peer institutions do something that makes it right path for Our Lady’s University. A vast majority of our peer institutions are not Catholic, but I don’t believe we will (or should, for that mat- ter) sustain the Virgin Mary from the Golden Dome any time soon. But I think in this case it might be best to take a page out of our secu- ral peers’ playbook. To me this is a clear-cut instance of “less is more.”

I have had this thought since I took a class in American Intellectual history last semester. The layout of the class was simple — midterms, 10-page paper on an important American intellectual, final exam. That picture was complicated, however, by the actual content of the course. In addition to intense lectures that consistently yielded a sore right wrist and about six sides of notes, we had to read four books outside of class. Each was separate in content from the lecture notes but provided relevant contextual background (and were tested on accord- ingly), and a bare minimum of four books or 16 long articles (or some combination of these). So many of these were written by the person you choose for your topic (not to mention secondary sources), in order to meet the threshold of “well researched.”

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Leave your hate at the door, because I love HBO’s “True Detective.” The eight-episode murder mystery mini-series stars Matthew McConaughey and Woody Harrelson as two present-day former detectives reflecting on their investigation of a serial killer nearly 20 years earlier, as a new and eerily similar killing looms.

Five episodes into the series that has dipped its toes into serial killers, hallucinatory drug flashbacks, murderous bikers, Satanism and Louisiana accents, and it’s safe to say I’m sleeping with the lights on.

With a million theories but no real answers as to where the show might go in its final three episodes, there’s really only one thing we know about “True Detective” the show is coming back, but McConaughey and Harrelson aren’t. HBO developed the series as an anthology, a show that would run for multiple seasons but with a new story and cast of characters in each installment.

With Twitter running wild with theories on Thursday about who might be cast as next season’s detective, I figured Scene could take its own shots in the dark.

Jay-Z and Beyoncé

Is there anything they can’t completely conquer? I feel safe in guessing no. Beyoncé hasn’t had much opportunity to redeem herself for taking part in the third Austin Powers movie, and I assume she must be bored dominating the charts and the screen editor

This development of sound comes in part due to Olsen enlisting indie veteran John Congleton for production duties. Congleton has previously worked with two of Olsen’s most esteemed contemporaries — St. Vincent and Joanna Newsom — and his influence can be heard all over the album. The artist and the producer’s shared fascination with fuzzy record-creating quality brings about garage rock tingles and helps accentuate Olsen’s own gritty persona. When Olsen subjects “Are you lonely? too?” on album highlight “Hi-Five,” she shines in front of her newly formed band and fleshed out sound. And the singer performs throughout from a place of empowerment. Congleton allows the band’s instrumentation to reso-nate behind Olsen’s lyricism and strong voice. Singles “Forgiven/Forgotten” and “Hi-Five” drive as hard as any punk track, while maintaining Olsen’s command. Even the slightest, more understated tracks on the album — like “Enemy” — showcase Olsen’s talents on the guitar and behind the microphone. Olsen’s deep voice equally gives Olsen a chance to show off her vocal range and diversity, including beautifully laid, heartbreaking harmonies.

Meanwhile, every song’s subject matters to another facet of Olsen’s perspectives on display. Especially so in the simmering, album centerpiece “White Fire.” With phrasing that reminds of folk rock epics “The Ghost of Tom Joad” and “Master of War” and nuanced guitar line undercurrents, Olsen uses the medium to reflect on a relationship falling apart. She has such an acute way of portraying these sentiments — the earnest beauty to her songwriting and her expertise at conveying her emotions — that it’s in the ranks of a leading actress. She allows her audience not only to understand, but also to empathize with her outlooks. Olsen uses the medium to reflect on a relationship falling apart. With honest, stark writing, Olsen uses her music to speak to everyone through music, in a way similar to that which only Fiona Apple can.

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The show, which is five episodes in and halfway through its first season, formed out of Jacobson and Glazer's own experiences, the pair said. “We try and base the scenes in every episode on stuff that’s happened to us or friends of ours or the writers that write the show with us or their friends,” Jacobson said. “Somewhere within the episode is some inkling that’s happened in real life. For example, on this week’s episode, we’re at this crazy rooftop party that Abbi and Ilana felt very uncomfortable at and that was based on a party that Ilana and I went to and felt that way. We have a spreadsheet that we share where we keep track of all this stuff that’s happened to us and then we’re writing the story we try to add a lot of that stuff in.”

The show’s loosely structured format and realistic portrayals of everyday life draw comparisons to everything from Larry David’s “Curb Your Enthusiasm” to HBO’s classic “Sex and the City,” but also makes it easier to understand something when it’s compared to something that you already know. But first of all, to be compared to a TV show, meaning that we get to have a TV show is dope no matter what, you can say whatever you want. Also to be compared to a show like ‘Girls,’ which is a brilliant vision and a clear voice and a beautiful product is an honor. It’s just awesome to be in the same sentence as somebody like Lena.”

The pair said, unlike much of the comedy on television today, their senses of humor draw from sincerity and good nature instead of snark and sarcasm. That sensibility is apparent early on in their web series, which ran on YouTube in 2010 and 2011, and deals with the same kind of everyday problems and struggles as their new show. That sincerity allowed Jacobson and Glazer to make webisodes that featured them asking a home-less man to break a $10 bill or using a guy for his washer and drier (a rarity in New York apartments, apparently) without coming off as awful people. That web series, and ultimately the show, came out of some of the friendship the two developed as they struggled to make it in New York’s comedy scene.

“Abbi and I were on an improv team for two years before starting the web series, and we kept auditioning for house teams, like theatre companies,” Glazer said. “And we could not get on a team. We wanted to create material for ourselves, and it really does afford more opportunities, you know, getting yourself in front of the camera. We already had that friendship going, and then we introduced the idea of using our friendship it worked and we went with it.”

“Broad City” airs every Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. and co-stars stand-up comedy diana hannah burress as Glazer’s dribly hilarious sort-of-boyfriend. Catch Jacobson and Glazer live when they perform at Lincoln Hall in Chicago on March 13.

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By KEVIN NOONAN

Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer are taking off, even if the fictionalized versions of them aren’t quite. Jacobson and Glazer star in Comedy Central’s breakout hit “Broad City,” a show they also created and write for as well as serving as executive producers. The half-hour comedy, born out of the duo’s popular YouTube series of the same name, features dramatized versions of the actors themselves as they struggle through their post-college lives and dealing with the day-to-day problems that come with living in New York like scrambling for enough money to buy tickets to a secret lil’ wayne show, figuring out where to spend the night when your apartment is bug-bombed and even doing your own taxes.

Jacobson and Glazer, who met in 2007 while training at New York’s Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre, sat down Thursday for a conference call with a number of college newspapers to discuss their show, its web series origins and the upcoming tour.

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GET ON THE BROAD CITY HANDWAGON

Cecelia Heffron

Scene Writer

Most holiday traditions involve food. Last week, we celebrated Valentine’s Day, a day in which some shape or form revolves around food and not just any kind of food, but delicious, sugary treats. Whether you are indulging in chocolates gifted to you by your significant other or indulging in chocolates, heart-shaped sugar cookies or pints of ice cream purchased by your happily single self, Valentine’s Day basically begs for unrestrained sweet consumption.

After wholehearted participation in this sugar spree, one’s heart and entire body may beg him or her to steer clear of desserts, at least for a few days. Luckily, the only holiday on the calendar this week is President’s Day, and nobody celebrates Presidents’ Day with sweets (unless, of course, your family is unique like mine and makes President Washington’s cherry cobbler and chocolate “Lincoln Logs”).

So, if you feel like your body is asking for a break from candy, try out the following desserts inspired by the European tradition of fruit and yogurt after dinner.

Microwave Baked Apples:

This recipe can be attempted with either apples or pears. First, slice a pear, apple or use the pre-sliced apples at South Dining Hall. Place them in a bowl that will survive the microwave. In a separate bowl, mix a spoonful (or two) of brown sugar and a pinch of cinnamon. Sprinkle this mixture over the apples. Place a small spoonful of butter on top of the apples.

This will melt and combine with the sugar and cinnamon into a gooey coating on the apples. Cover the bowl with a microwaveable plate, and microwave for three to five minutes or until the apples are tender.

After removing the apples, stir and drizzle with maple syrup (to taste).

Tips: To make a homemade apple crisp, sprinkle a handful of granola (the kind without raisins) over the apples. And, if you find that you really cannot have apple crisp without vanilla ice cream melting over the delicious warm apple mixture, grab a scoop or two of frozen yogurt.

Fruit Sundaes:

Invite a friend to help you pick out a few pieces of fruit. I suggest an orange, kiwi and banana.)

Peel and slice the fruit and divide the pieces evenly between you and your friend.

Fill a bowl with vanilla yogurt and put the fruit slices on top. Drizzle a spoonful of honey over the fruit and sprinkle a bit of coconut (from the ice cream topping bar) on top.

Enjoy!

As always, if you want to see your own creative recipes featured next week, send me an email!

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Oscars season arrives for NBA

Casey Karnes
Sports Writer

With the All-Star break just behind us, it appears the NBA season has reached its midpoint, and that’s more than enough time to assess the league’s performances thus far. Since the 2024 Academy Awards are right around the corner, it seems appropriate to conduct this midseason review using the Oscar’s traditional corner, its namesake in honor of NBA Hall of Famers Oscar Robertson. So now, the first annual NBA Midseason Oscars.

Best Coach: Nominees: Tom Thibodeau, Gregg Poppovich, Rick Carlisle, Frank Vogel, Terry Stotts It seems inevitable that Popovich will be in consideration for this award every season, but with the Spurs playing ruthlessly efficient bas ketball despite their advancing age, this year is no different, as the Spurs once again have a top-two record in the Western Conference. Meanwhile, Carlisle and Thibodeau earn their nominations for installing systems that allow the Dallas and Chicago, respectively, to contend in playoff spots without overreaching. The Bulls have Thibodeau’s defensive strategy to thank for their post-Derrick Rose success, and Carlisle’s ability to guide talent is on full display out of aging veterans like Vince Carter and Shawn Marion is nothing short of impressive. Indeed, the Best Coach category also play essential roles, but without the same fanfare or recognition they receive in the leading category. The biggest name in this group is Bosh, who, while once a top-tier player with the Raptors, has settled in nicely as the Hawks’ go-to defender. In the third round, he connected on several hooks to the face of McCrady. The sophomore’s frustration was as evident as the referee had to separate the fighters again, though McCrady landed a jab or two. In the end, it was not enough, as Hodgson won by a split decision.

Mechilor “I Lupo” Perella-Savarese def. Justin “Penta” Tabit

The graduate student Tabit held nothing back at the start against Zach Frem ham Perella-Savarese. Tabit landed several hooks to the head, but was unable to connect on most of his punches. Frem ham countered with enough left jabs to maintain his advantage. In the final round, both boxers opened up, but McCrady could not overcome Frem ham’s early advantage, as the judges gave the senior the victory by unanimous decision.

Hank “Team Pup ’n Suds” Madden def. Cassy “I’m No Lady” Laux

Both fighters swung early and often, with Labus taking control of the match by putting his punch for on the ropes twice in the first round. Labus managed to respond by catching the law student with a couple of good right jabs in the second round to work his way back into the match, as the law student failed to keep his hands up on defense. In the round, Labus led the head on all cylinders in the third round, and the referee having to separate the fighters again. Labus led the head on all cylinders in the third round, and the referee having to separate the fighters again.

190-pounds: Michael “The Uncle” Smolc def. Lucas Sullivan

In what could have been the battle of the century, the senior Smolc came away with the split decision win over the junior Sullivan. The fight got off to a slow start, as Sullivan spent most of the first round ducking and weaving the hard jabs of Smolc with only the occasional counter punch. Smolc did not press the attack until the second round, when both fighters came out more aggressively. Smolc succeeded in fighting past Sullivan’s defense with his left hand or his head, while Sullivan failed to sustain any offensive attack. In the third round, Sullivan came out swinging hard and landed many jabs to Smolc’s head, while Smolc stayed on the defensive and preserved his advantage for the win.

Evon “Heavy Duty” Escobedo def. Jack Corrigan

In a hard-fought affair from start to finish, Escobedo’s technical prowess proved to be too much for the freshman Corrigan, and the referee stepped in after the first round of a contest to award the win to Escobedo. Both boxers came out swinging early, trading punch for punch. Escobedo used his technical advantage in the first round to stifle Corrigan, who began to fall wildly, allowing Escobedo to land several hard jabs to the head and corner him out on the defense in the second round as Escobedo continued to use multiple combinations to back Corrigan into a corner and pound his head and body. Escobedo came out burning on all cylinders in the third, using several vicious combinations to knock Corrigan to the ground early on and force the referee to stop the contest.

Rick “Scrooge” Nevilles def. Phil “Bald Eagle” Mennally

Both fighters landed their share of punches in the first, with the senior Nevilles using his reach to gain a slight advantage in a round full of brief hammer punches. Mennally was more aggressive in the second round, but was unable to connect on most of his punches. Nevilles countered with enough left jabs to maintain his advantage. In the final round, both boxers opened up, but Mennally could not overcome Nevilles’s early advantage, as the judges gave the junior the victory by unanimous decision.

Hank “Team Pup ’n Suds” Madden def. Cassy “I’m No Lady” Laux

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Irish fall to sixth place in conference championship

By KIT LOUGHRAN
Sports Writer

The Irish find themselves in sixth place after the second day of the ACC Tournament, at the Greensborough Aquatic Center. Notre Dame has earned 264.5 points over the past two days of competition, trailing Virginia (356), North Carolina State (302), Florida State (357), North Carolina (346) and Virginia Tech (273). Heading into the third day, the Irish are still ahead of Duke (202), Miami (194.5), Pittsburgh (192.5), Georgia Tech (174.5), Boston College (98) and Clemson (15).

As the Irish prepare for the next day of events, the team is working on remaining mentally focused, junior Emma Reaney said.

“We have to carry the momentum from good swims onto the next one,” Reaney said. “As long as we all stay engaged and invested in each other and everyone’s swims, I know we will stay focused and have fun.”

Recently, the Irish have seen improved results across the board.

“[Sophomore] Genevieve Bradford did amazing today in her 200 IM,” Reaney said. “She dropped almost two seconds and has improved her technique tremendously.”

Reaney said her 200-meter medley relay, which consists of freshmen Catherine Mulquin, junior Courtney Whyte and senior Kelly Ryan, is still the race she is most proud of at this tournament. The relay team finished with record-breaking time of 1:37.61.

“The 200 medley relay has been the best race of the meet in my opinion,” Reaney said. “It was the first event, and all four of us were on our game right out of the gate. It was so cool to see us all click with each other and get an NCAA cut and a school record.”

Reaney and the rest of the Irish might use this race as motivation to continue to push the team through its first-ever ACC tournament appearance.

“Our coach made a point to say [to us] that our most important swim is our next one, meaning here at the conference level, everyone and every race matters,” Reaney said. “I am so happy with our relays last night and can’t wait to share the NCAA experience with those girls.”

The Irish head into the third day of the ACC Tournament tomorrow at Greensborough Aquatic Center in Greensboro, N.C.

Irish junior Suzanne Bessire swims the freestyle during the Shamrock Invitational on Jan. 31.

Irish junior Michael Kreft prepares for a dive during the Shamrock Invitational on Jan. 25, 2013.

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ND struggles in ACC diving

Observer Staff Report

After the first day of competition, Notre Dame stands in seventh place in the ACC swimming championships held in Greensboro, N.C. The Irish failed to qualify any divers for the final round of the three-meter competition, which was held Thursday night.

Five divers are slated to represent Notre Dame in its inaugural performance at the ACC diving championships. The meet is spread out across three days, with each day featuring the prelims and championship round for each diving event. Competing this weekend for the Irish are freshmen James Lichtenstein and Joe Coumos and juniors Nick Nemetz, Michael Kreft, and Ted Wagner. Coumos, Nemetz, Kreft and Wagner are slated to represent the Irish in all three dives. The three-meter was held Thursday, with the one-meter, and platform will be held on Friday, and Saturday, respectively.

In Thursday’s three-meter competition, Coumos set the high mark for the Irish, earning 345.5 points in the preliminary round. That total left him in 11th place, just short of the top eight required to qualify for the final. Coumos is not unfamiliar with leading the Irish. He placed first 12 times this season in the one-meter and three-meter competition, including sweeps of both events four times.

Finishing three slots behind Coumos was Kreft, who earned Most Valuable Diver honors for the Irish in the 2013 Big East Diving Championships. He had no such luck in Thursday’s events, claiming 331.0 points, 36.45 points shy of qualifying for the finals round.

Nemetz and Wagner rounded out the Irish performance. Nemetz earned 296.60 for 22nd place and Wagner finished just more than six points behind, claiming 290.05 points and finishing in 25th place.

Notre Dame will get back to work in Greensboro, N.C., tomorrow for the one-meter competition. They are currently tied with Pittsburgh for seventh place out of ten teams in the ACC Swimming and Diving Championships. With 71 points, Virginia Tech remains firmly in the lead after the first day of competition, while Miami is in second place with 54 points.

The Irish swim team will seek to build on their point total over the next five days of competition, two of diving and three of swimming. The results of the diving portion of the meet will combine with the swimming and on March 1, after the conclusion of the swimming portion, the ACC will crown its 2013-2014 swim and dive champion.
Notre Dame to face Penn State for home opener

By BRIAN PLAMONDON Sports Writer

No. 4 Notre Dame will take the field Saturday when it hosts No. 12 Penn State in its home opener. Notre Dame (1-0) will try to keep its momentum after a 19-7 rout of Jacksonville Sunday in which 13 different players notched goals for the Irish.

“The biggest thing that impressed me against Jacksonville was our energy level,” Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. “The variety of different plays that we made — we scored goals out of at least seven different scenarios over the course of the day. I felt like it was a total team contribution more than us riding one or two guys.”

After a decisive victory in their opener, the Irish will turn their attention to the Nittany Lions, a team that has taken Notre Dame to overtime the last two times they met. Notre Dame won last year’s meeting 10-9, and has won 10 of the last 11 meetings. This will be the 18th straight year the teams have met. Pend State (1-1) comes into the game having won 12 straight road games.

“They’re scoring goals in a lot of different ways,” Corrigan said. “You’ve got to defend them the entire game and defend them the full field, because they do a great job of getting out and creating breaks.”

The Nittany Lion offense will feature four players that scored at least two goals in their most recent game, a 12-11 overtime loss to Loyola. Senior attacker Shane Sturgis and sophomore attacker TJ Sanders have led the way so far, with nine and seven goals on the season, respectively. The Penn State defense, however, is the team’s strength, led by senior goalie Austin Kaut, a 2013 first team All-American and winner of the Ensign C. Markland Kelly, Jr. Award, honoring the nation’s best goalie. He boasted a .60 sav percent and a 7.37 goals-against average during last season’s campaign.

“You have to be smart and selective about the shots you take (on Kaut),” Corrigan said. “You can help their transition by taking poor shots. I don’t think we’re going to get away with as many turnovers as we did last week.”

Notre Dame will look to get after Kaut early and often, trying to duplicate its performance against Jacksonville when they took 56 total shots. The Irish offense, although balanced, will look to sophomore attacker Matt Kavanagh and junior attacker Conor Doyle to lead the charge. Kavanagh tallied a game-high seven points on three goals and four assists against Jacksonville, while Doyle netted three goals of his own. Not to be forgotten is senior midfielder and face-off specialist Liam O’Connor, who won 19 of his 25 draws while adding a goal.

“I thought [O’Connor] was terrific,” Corrigan said. “Draws are always important. If you’re ahead and you win them it puts a lot of pressure on the other team. If you’re behind, it’s the key to catching up.”

With games against No. 3 North Carolina and No. 6 Denver on the horizon, Corrigan said it was important to focus on one game at a time.

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The victory was the first of Corrigan’s (4-9, at 3:30 p.m)

Irish extend winning streak

By LEAH BULLION Sports Writer

With two thirds of the Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic left to play, the Irish have made a strong showing during the first day of action in Cathedral City, California. Thrown into a doubleheader to start the tournament, the Irish (8-1) defeated Pacific (1-0) 12-11 in overtime and then followed that win with a convincing 6-0 victory over BYU. The pair of victories extends the Irish winning streak to seven games.

During the first game against the Tigers (2-5), the Irish were only able to come up with one run on an RBI hit from freshman left fielder Karley Wester, who is the current ACC Player of the Week. That would be all they needed, as the Irish received a dominating pitching performance from sophomore starter Allie Rhodes and freshman relief pitcher Rachel Nasland. Though the southpaw Rhodes received a no-decision for her 91-pitch outing, she struck out four batters while scattering five hits over 5.1 innings. Nasland then came in to pick up the win in relief with 1.2 innings of shutout ball.

The victory was the first of Nasland’s (1-0) Irish career. In the second game the Irish were able to open up with six runs against the Cougars (5-7), but once again lights-out pitching would dictate the outcome of the contest. This time, the game belonged to Irish senior Laura Winter, who over seven shutout innings struck out eight batters and only allowed two hits and one walk, while retiring the final thirteen batters she faced. Winter (4-1) picked up her fourth victory in a row, and in the process lowered her season ERA from 2.40 to 1.85. The shutout was the sixteenth of her career, which moves her into eighth place in Notre Dame program history.

Though strong pitching carried the Irish through the day, there were several key offensive performances as well. Wester led all batters with three hits over two games, drove in a run and scored a run of her own. Junior second baseman Jenna Simon and Junior center fielder Emilie Koerner scored a pair of runs each, while sophomore first baseman Micaela Arizmendi and junior third baseman Katelyn Haas knocked in a pair of RBI each, pacing the team.

The Irish will resume play on Friday against UC Davis (4-9), at 3:30 p.m.
**WOMEN’S LACROSSE**

**ND to face Stony Brook after loss**

By KATIE HEIT
Sports Writer

After dropping their first ACC game to Boston College 15-10 on Feb. 15, the No. 15 Irish face non-conference opponent No. 12 Stony Brook on Saturday at the Loftus Center.

Irish coach Christine Halfpenny said it didn’t take Notre Dame (1-1, 0-1 ACC) long to put the loss to Boston College (1-0, 1-0) behind them.

“On Monday in a team meeting we were able to regroup and come right back to the drawing board,” Halfpenny said. “It was really exciting to see what this team is made of. That’s typically when you find out what you’re made of, when things don’t go your way, and our team was focused, energized, and ready to get right back at it.”

The Irish face a difficult opponent in Stony Brook (2-0) this weekend. Halfpenny said the team out of Long Island tends to play rougher than many of the teams Notre Dame is used to.

“They are really aggressive,” Halfpenny said. “They run some schemes and strategies that we’ve seen on films and that we’ve known about in the past years, so we’re preparing for what they’re going to throw at us.” The Sea Wolves’ arsenal includes a returning standout in senior goalkeeper Frankie Caridi, who earned the first shutout in Stony Brook history last weekend against Monmouth. Notre Dame will also have to face a unique defensive style from a team that doesn’t play typical zone defense.

“We’re continuing to do what we do,” Halfpenny said. “However, we need to prepare adequately for what they throw at you. They run a different style of defense. ... They have some outstanding players. (Caridi) in goal ... we obviously have to pay attention to that and we’ll do that as a team.”

The Irish, meanwhile, will be relying on a wide array of players to lead the charge against Sea Wolves.

Irish junior goalie Allie Murphy started against Boston College and had five saves. Junior midfielder Caitlin Gargan tied her career-high with four goals, and sophomore attack Rachel Sexton scored three goals against the Eagles.

Halfpenny said the Irish aren’t so much changing their game for Stony Brook as they are finding their identity on the field.

“I don’t think there are any changes, it’s just continuing to develop,” Halfpenny said. “It’s still early in the season. We’re a spring sport and it’s only February, so we’re continuing to add to what we’ve done, which was our plan for the whole season.”

The Irish are back in action on Saturday when they take on Stony Brook at 8 p.m. in the Loftus Center.

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**MEN’S TENNIS**

**Irish to host top ranked Ohio State over weekend**

By RENEE GRIFFIN
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The No. 10 Irish will face No. 1 Ohio State and Ball State this Saturday on their home court.

Notre Dame (9-2, 0-1 ACC) has great respect for the Buckeyes (13-0), Irish coach Ryan Sachire said, but will not be intimidated by their spotless record.

“Obviously Ohio State is undefeated on the year,” Sachire said. “They just won the National Indoor Championships [on Monday]. They’ve been a great team for a little over a decade, but we’re pretty good team, too, so it should be fun to watch two great teams going at it.”

Though Ball State (4-1) will be one of Notre Dame’s few recent opponents who is not in the ITA top 25, Sachire said the Irish will be ready to face a good team in the Cardinals.

“Ball State is a very competitive team, as well,” Sachire said. “Phil Richards has been their coach for a very long time and does a very good job. They’ve got their best player from last year back so it should be a good match.”

After losing to then-No.1 Virginia at the ITA National Indoor Championships on Feb. 14 by a score of 4-2, this will be the second consecutive week where Notre Dame faces the top team in the country. Ohio State won its top ranking by defeating the Cavaliers on Sunday, so Sachire said his team will have to make some adjustments to pull off the upset.

“What we’re going to have to do is just execute at crunch time,” Sachire said. “We were in a position to beat Virginia. The thing about great teams like Virginia and Ohio State is they don’t give you many opportunities, so you have to be able to take advantage of them when they come. That’s what we didn’t do against Virginia, but hopefully we’ll be able to do it this week.”

The Irish certainly have extensive experience against high-quality competition, playing seven teams that were ranked in the top 30 at the time of the match. Notre Dame has on its resume wins at the National Indoor Championships last weekend over No. 9 Mississippi State and No. 12 Florida.

“I think the biggest thing that we gained last weekend in Houston was confidence, the idea that we can consistently beat great teams,” Sachire said. “When you have four wins over top-15 teams, which we do this year, you really start to believe that you can beat anyone.”

Ohio State is neither the first nor the last challenge the Irish will face this season, but Sachire said the tough schedule is more of a positive than a negative.

“It doesn’t get any easier,” Sachire said. “We play Virginia and USC in the coming weeks. We all came to Notre Dame to play against the absolute best competition, because it’s our belief that that’s how you get to be the best. We look at everything we do as an opportunity for success. These are very, very challenging opponents we’re playing against, but that’s what makes it fun.”

Notre Dame is undefeated at home this season but has only hosted four home matches while traveling for most of its contests. Sachire says the team is excited to be back.

“We’re hoping to get a great crowd,” Sachire said. “Our guys feel very comfortable playing at home. This is, I think, our first home match since very early February so it should be nice for us to be on our own courts.”

Senior captain Greg Andrews earned distinction as Ithaca ACUPPPlayer of the Week after his performance at the National Indoor Championships. His play has been a contributor to the strong Irish start, but Sachire said he will be a team effort this weekend as always.

“There are nine matches being played, six singles and three doubles,” he said. “All nine count the same.” We talk to our guys everyday about being able to play in all nine spots. Nobody plays a lesser role than anyone else. When they get their chances to win, to take advantage of their opportunities, they’ll do it. We keep a purely team perspective, and everyone’s role is just as important as the next guy’s.”

Notre Dame will take on the Buckeyes at 12 p.m. Saturday, followed by a match against Ball State at 7 p.m.

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Irish close out regular season by hosting Terriers

No. 15 Notre Dame will honor its 11-man senior class this weekend when it hosts Boston University in the final games of the regular season at Compton Family Ice Arena beginning tonight.

The Irish (17-12-2, 6-9-2 Hockey East) currently sit in a tie for seventh in Hockey East with Vermont, while the Terriers (8-18-4, 3-10-3) occupy 10th place. Last weekend, Notre Dame made progress in climbing the conference tables with a 2-2 tie and 3-0 win on the road against No. 12 Providence. As the sun sets on the regular season, Irish coach Jeff Jackson said the Irish have to replicate the success they found against the Friars.

“Hopefully this last weekend wasn’t an anomaly,” Jackson said. “We need to build up some consistency here, especially with two home games coming up. Regardless of who we’re playing against, this league is too good to take time off. We can’t afford that anymore. If we want any chance of doing anything in the Hockey East playoffs, or making the NCAA tournament, we’ve got to win games. It’s plain and simple.”

Key to Notre Dame’s success against Providence was the play of its senior class. Seniors scored four of the five Irish goals on the weekend, as center T.J. Tynan, center David Gerths, right wing Bryan Rust and left wing Jeff Costello all found the back of the net.

The most impressive performance, however, was from senior goaltender Steven Summerhays, who stopped 83 out of the 85 shots he faced on the weekend and added his NCAA-leading sixth shutout on Saturday. Jackson said he believes Summerhays could carry the Irish far if he continues to perform at such a high level.

“I thought he was the difference (last weekend),” Jackson said. “[Providence] elevated their game, and he had to make some really good saves. When he’s focused, there’s a difference. If we’re going to have any chance in the playoffs, he’s got to have to play like that.”

With Senior Night approaching this Saturday, Jackson said the gutsy efforts of Summerhays and the other seniors have shown as the season wanes is the perfect representation of their careers at Notre Dame.

“They’ve certainly put their imprint in the program,” Jackson said. “I haven’t had any issues with any of them off the ice. I think this past weekend was a pretty good example. I mean, I don’t think anyone played harder than that group of seniors. Some guys, you think of a few years back, might’ve checked out a little bit, since we weren’t having the kind of season they expected to have. This group hasn’t done that.”

While the seniors had success last weekend, sophomore left wing Mario Lucia and freshman center Vince Hinostroza struggled and were held scoreless. Jackson said Lucia, who leads the Irish with 15 goals, and Hinostroza, second on the Irish with 21 assists, must be able to maintain their performance even as pressure mounts.

“The big thing right now is that we need to get Hinostroza going again with Lucia,” Jackson said. “It’s playoff hockey right now, and the young guys who haven’t been through it have to find a way to grit their way through it. It’s not easy. There’s been times where those guys have had their way offensively, and right now they’re not having that same level of success.”

On the other side of the ice, Boston University is shooting for its first road win of the season. Sophomore forward Danny O’Regan and junior forward Casey Kohmann are tied for the team lead with nine goals each, and sophomore goalie Matt O’Connor has taken the lion’s share of minutes in net. While the Terriers have a losing record, they have a number of quality wins this season, including over Providence, then-No. 2 Wisconsin and then-No. 17 Vermont. As such, Jackson said that Notre Dame can’t afford to take the Terriers lightly.

“(Boston is) rebuilding,” Jackson said. “They have a new coach, David Quinn, who I know pretty well. I think he’s got to build that team in his own style of play. They’re young, they’ve got some skill. From what I’ve seen they’re a good transition team offensively. And as we’ve found out, there’s not a weak link in this conference.”

Notre Dame’s seniors will take the ice for their final regular season home series at Compton Family Ice Arena at 7 p.m. Friday night against Boston University.

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continually double-teamed Irish graduate student center Garrick Sherman in the post, forcing both the ball out of his hands and turnovers.

Atkins said the Cavaliers’ defensive success is partially mental.

“i think it’s mental just in the fact that people overthink their defense a little bit,” Atkins said. “They doubled Sherman in that game a lot. I think we thought about that too much. We thought about attacking that too many different ways when we could just kick it out and move the ball really quickly.”

Even in a league with two top-10 teams, Brey, Atkins and Connaughton all said Virginia may be the best team in the ACC.

“They very well could be,” Connaughton said. “They’re in the argument. They run their stuff very well, they’re a very good team and have a lot of good pieces. It’s going to be a challenge for us.”

Brey, however, was more blunt.

“i don’t think anybody’s better,” he said. “Matter of fact, i think they’re the best, quite frankly, and we’ve played them all.”

During their 71-64 loss at Miami on Wednesday night, the Irish may have gained something more valuable: solid play from freshman guard Demetrius Jackson. Jackson scored a career-high 17 points in 27 minutes after missing two games for academic reasons. He added five assists and was 3-for-5 from the three-point line.

“I was very encouraging for him for the rest of the year,” Atkins said. “I’m excited for him because we definitely needed it. Hopefully he can keep that going forward.”

Notre Dame and Virginia tip off at 2 p.m. Saturday in Charlottesville, Va.

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She’s just doing everything well in all phases of her game.”

Loyd leads Notre Dame in scoring this season, and is also averaging 6.2 rebounds per game.

“At the beginning of the season, we were talking about how she might be able to be the leading rebounder on the team,” McGraw said. “She’s an excellent rebounder because she has some great instincts. Offensively, she recognizes where the ball is going to go and seems to be in the right spot at the right time. Defensively, she’s been boxing out and really working to keep her man off the glass. She’s just going after it.”

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second round with a strong 1-2 combination before both boxers began to trade punches. Hoffer seized the advantage early in the third period, landing several whiffs on road's head and cornering him in a tight corner with a series of hooks to road's body. However, road fought back in the second round, landing a strong right uppercut to road's body. Both boxers continued to exchange blows throughout the fight, but the advantage went to Hoffer, who connected with a series of uppercuts and hooks to road's body and head. Hoffer ultimately won by unanimous decision.

Patrick “Little Mae” Brennan def. Connor “The Invisible One” Brennan

This fight was a back-and-forth battle between the two freshmen. Both boxers entered the bout with a strong punch and a desire to win. However, Brennan showed his experience and controlled the fight from the start. He landed a series of jabs and hooks to his opponent's body and head, forcing him to retreat. Brennan ultimately won by unanimous decision.

Alex Bogucki-Baran def. Luke “Man Mountain” Eichler

Bogucki-Baran began the fight energetically, moving Eichler around the ring with powerful punches and hooks. However, Eichler fought back with a strong uppercut that sent Bogucki-Baran to the ropes. Bogucki-Baran landed a series of jabs to Eichler's body and head, but Eichler returned with a strong left hook that landed Bogucki-Baran on the ropes. Eichler ultimately won by unanimous decision.

Ryan Duncan def. Ryan Himman

This fight was a hard-fought battle between two experienced boxers. Both boxers entered the ring with a desire to win, but it was Himman who landed a powerful left hook to Duncan's head, knocking him down. However, Duncan fought back with a series of jabs and hooks to Himman's body, forcing him to retreat. In the end, Himman won by unanimous decision.

Jorge “The Knockout King” Corcoran def. Tony “The Beast” Romano

Corcoran started the fight with a series of jabs and hooks to Romano's head, but Romano fought back with a strong right uppercut that sent Corcoran to the ropes. However, Corcoran fought back with a series of jabs and hooks to Romano's body, forcing him to retreat. Corcoran ultimately won by unanimous decision.

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Happy Birthday: You will find yourself in the middle of emotional matters this year, therefore, stay positive and some negative. You will have to balance your options and consider how your decisions will affect others. Your insight must not be cast aside. Follow what's in your heart and you will make the changes that will bring the best results. Your numbers are 7, 16, 22, 27, 33, 39, 46.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Protect your reputation. Put in extra hours or add more detail to the way you do your chores and your job. Help others and you will avoid being centered out. Less complaining and more production is the key to your success. ***

EMPIRE (April 20-May 20): You can improve your professional position if you add skills or services to what you are currently offering. Your peers, colleagues and superiors will consider you valuable if you keep up with technology and business trends. Innovation coupled with team work is required. ***

GERMANS (May 21-June 20): Your investments may look a little bumpy. On the personal papers and any joint holdings you make. A change regarding the way you do financial or legal business will help you get your money matters in better shape. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Acceptance will help you maneuver through any negative encounters you face. The sooner you deal with the problem, the quicker you will be able to move on to the people and things you enjoy most. Don't get dead weight stuck in your head. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Taking action will allow you to show what you've got to offer and place you in a very cushy position when it comes to both your personal and professional connections. Don't let an emotional issue cloud your vision or your progress. ***

VIROG (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Walk away from an argument. Love and romance are in the stars, and setting plans to enjoy time with someone you think is right will all lighten your day. Children will play a positive role in your life. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get out and about. The more you interact with people who share your interests or concerns, the further ahead you will get. A change regarding your relationships with others may be necessary if you are heading in a different direction. ***

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Despite a night of cold shooting, No. 2 Notre Dame topped ACC rival Wake Forest on Thursday by 25 points, winning 86-61.

“Overall, we played a pretty good game on a night when we didn’t shoot the ball that well at all,” Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. “To be able to put up that many points in a game like this is great.”

Notre Dame (26-0, 13-0 ACC) leads the NCAA in 3-point shooting this season, as the Irish have hit 41.6 percent of their shots from behind the arc. Against Wake Forest (14-12, 5-9 ACC), Notre Dame hit only three of their 16 3-point attempts.

“When we shoot like that, it does influence our offensive mentality,” McGraw said. “I think we need to shoot a little smarter. We needed to step inside and get to the free-throw line a little bit more; we probably should have attacked the lane a little bit more.”

Irish sophomore guard Jewel Loyd shone as the lone bright spot on a rocky shooting night, hitting nine of her 17 shots. Against the Demon Deacons, Loyd scored 29 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

“She has been playing so well and has just been fantastic at both ends of the floor,” McGraw said. “She’s been rebounding, scoring, driving the ball, and getting to the free-throw line.”

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By AARON SANT-MILLER
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Notre Dame stays perfect

Irish face ACC-leading UVA

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS
Assistant Managing Editor

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“Everybody is always in position,” Atkins said of Virginia’s defense. “It seems like they never get out of position defensively. They all trust each other very well. It was a great defensive display while I was on the court, which was bad.”

Bengal Bouts I QUARTERFINALS

Boxers battle to advance

By MARY GREEN
Sports Writer

McCarty loses in pitching duel

Peter Summerville entered the game for only one pitch in Thursday’s tilt between Notre Dame and Santa Clara, but that one pitch made all the difference in the Broncos’ 2-1 win over the Irish at Nelson Wolff Stadium in San Antonio.

The Santa Clara senior catcher delivered a pitch-hit single on the first throw he saw from Irish freshman left-handed reliever Jim Orwick in the top of the seventh inning. The hit drove in Broncos freshman third baseman Max Kuhns for the go-ahead run in the opening contest of the Irish Baseball Classic.

Senior right-hander D.J. Zapata went the distance for Santa Clara (2-4), collecting eight strikeouts and limiting the Irish (11-3) to six hits.

The Broncos struck first on the scoreboard in the top of the third inning with senior center fielder Greg Hartiss’s solo home run off sophomore right-hander Nick McCarty. McCarty was tagged for the loss since he gave up the single that put Kuhns’s winning run on base before exiting with two outs in the seventh.

The three Notre Dame pitchers — McCarty, Orwick and senior right-hander Donnie Hissa — combined for eight hits, three of them for extra-bases, and six strikeouts.

Despite not coming away with the win, McCarty threw 52 of his 69 pitches for strikes and did not allow a walk.

The lone score for the Irish came in the bottom of the sixth with freshman second baseman Cavan Biggio’s home run, which flew down the first-base line and just made it over the right-field wall. The solo shot was the first of Biggio’s collegiate career.

Biggio went 2-for-3 with a single and a walk to lead with combinations while trying to get in close to throw hooks. Fausone countered Leppert twice in the second round, before he finally knocked the sophomore Leppert on his back after a series of hard jabs. Fausone kept the pace up in the third round, maintaining his technical and finishing off the victory.

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