Student government leadership changes

Vidal, Devine take office, offer vision for upcoming year

By LESLEY STEVENSON
News Editor

Four years ago, Lauren Vidal and Matthew Devine never would have guessed they would be students at Notre Dame, but now the incoming student body president and vice president, both juniors, recognize that many once-insignificant decisions led them to where they are now, Devine said.

“We were just reflecting on how important choices are,” he said. “You make one decision, and we never would be sitting here today.”

Vidal said she had not considered applying to the University until the

ND names honorees

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame will honor seven leaders in business, the Church, community outreach, education, engineering and the arts as recipients of honorary degrees from the University at its 169th commencement ceremony May 18, according to a university press release.

Retired oil executive W. Douglas Ford and Harvard University professor Evelyn Hu will receive honorary doctor of engineering degrees, and biologist and higher education leader Sally Mason and Cardinal Sean P. O’Malley, archbishop of Boston will receive doctor of laws degrees, the release stated.

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Scholar confronts stereotypes

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Student arrested following break-in

By LESLEY STEVENSON
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Police arrested Notre Dame freshman Brian Mccrannel early Sunday morning for allegedly breaking into and vandalizing a South Bend wellness facility, Therapeutic Indulgence, Saturday night, according to a WSBT report and McCrannel’s attorney Stan Wruble.

“It would be premature to [comment] at this time since the investigation is ongoing.” Wruble, an adjunct law professor at Notre Dame, said in an email to The Observer on Monday night.

...I can confirm that Brian was arrested Sunday and released from the county jail late this afternoon.

“It is my understanding that no formal charges have been filed as of yet, despite other media reports to the contrary. I would expect damage to South Bend wellness facility Therapeutic Indulgence occurred after a bizarre, alleged break-in and vandalism Sunday. See DegreeS Page 4

Coccia, Joyce reflect on their time in office, bid farewell

By JACK ROONEY
Associate News Editor

As their term in office comes to an end Tuesday, student body president Alex Coccia and vice president Nancy Joyce said they only wish they had more time.

Although his term as president is over, Coccia said he believes incoming student body president and vice president Lauren Vidal and Matt Devine will pick up right where his administration left off.

“We just really wish he had more time to continue working on things, but Lauren and Matt have been very gracious in looking at some of the
Question of the Day:
What is your favorite warm weather activity?

Josh Dempsey  
sophomore  
Duncan Hall  
“Lathering myself in tanning lotion and then sometimes tanning.”

Mollie Effler  
freshman  
Walsh Hall  
“Outdoor concerts.”

Madison Faller  
junior  
Cavanaugh Hall  
“Playing waterpolo.”

Erin Foldesi  
freshman  
McGlinn Hall  
“Something behind a boat.”

Laura Powderly  
senior  
off campus  
“Reading outside.”

Arielis Sims  
freshman  
Pasquerilla East Hall  
“Lying in the park.”

With the recent advent of nice weather, Notre Dame students repopulate South Quad with gusto. It’s almost too good to be true, and it mostly is — monsoon-like conditions will sweep through South Bend later in the week.
Habitat builds 20th home

By EMMA BORNE
News Writer

Notre Dame Habitat for Humanity is committed to building one home every year for a needy family in the South Bend area.

This year, the club built a home for James and Janice Pumph, their daughter and grandson. Pat Laskowski, senior economics and applied mathematics major and co-president of Notre Dame Habitat for Humanity, said the Pumph family has never before owned a home.

Laskowski said his favorite part of Habitat is being able to work with the family all year.

“The whole year of working with someone you get to know them so well,” Laskowski said.

“They are just so overwhelmed with joy and happiness to finally have this home and you’re there to share it with them. That’s an experience I cannot match with anything else.”

A unique part of Habitat for Humanity is the involvement of the family, Laskowski said. The family has put in 300 “sweat hours” working on their own homes and the homes of other Habitat families. The family works alongside twenty volunteers from Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross during each build, according to the Habitat website.

This year’s home is located in southwest South Bend among several other Habitat houses, Laskowski said. “It’s actually in the neighborhood of Habitat houses which is actually really exciting,” Laskowski said. “You can be there and you can say ‘Oh, I remember that Habitat build and that Habitat build.’ It’s a great community of people who love their homes.”

Laskowski said each home costs $60,000 and the club has to finance over half of the money to the St. Joseph County Habitat for Humanity affiliate. To do so, the club spends most of the year fundraising.

Laskowski said the club does a “Jiffy Jair” where you can pay for a friend to get arrested and bailed out of a “jail” on South Quad. Part of the funds from Keenan Hall’s Muddy Sunday event also goes to the club. Their next fundraiser is a pizza eating competition in two weeks.

Though the build for last Saturday was cancelled, Pat said the house would still be officially completed May 3rd, when it would be blessed and handed over to the family.

Notre Dame Habitat for Humanity is special, Laskowski said. It is unlike any other college Habitat program and he hopes to see that continue for years to come.

“We are the longest current running collegiate chapter in the United States,” Laskowski said. “This is our twentieth house in a row, so twenty years, twenty houses... I’d like to see us continue that and to never see that falter.”

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Nurse connects spirituality, health

By EMILIE KEFALAS
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On Monday, professor and director of nursing Linda Paskiewicz discussed the distinctions and connections between spiritual concerns and healthcare.

The lecture was part of the weekly Spirituality Monday series at Saint Mary’s, director of the Center for Spirituality Elizabeth Groppe said.

“[Spirituality Monday’s are] an opportunity for faculty, staff and students of Saint Mary’s to gather together to reflect on the relationship between spirituality and different academic disciplines and professional practices,” Groppe said.

In a clinically-based and integrated area of study such as nursing, the lines can be blurred when it comes to the distinctions between spirituality and clinical healthcare, Paskiewicz said. An understanding of both develops over time and helps.

“I use myself as an example,” Paskiewicz said. “When I was in high school, there were not a lot of career trajectories that were available for women. Women could go to a nursing program or ‘nurses training,’ as it was called then. Women could go to beauty school. Women could become teachers, the ones who we’ve seen involved in education. Women could get married.

“Well, I decided if those were going to be my choices, the one I would pick for myself would be nursing. I just thought, ‘I think this is where I need to be.’ I had no sense... at that point of the spirituality, the big concept of spirituality, although I went to church and Sunday school. That sense of this spiritual self was not part of myself at all.”

Paskiewicz said she was first introduced to the nursing profession after she graduated high school at the age of seventeen.

“I worked as a nursing assistant at an inner-city hospital (in Chicago),” Paskiewicz said. “I knew nothing about nursing except for Cherry Ames books.”

One of her first patient connections was with a woman who resembled her grandmother. Paskiewicz said she used to stop by and chat with the patient even when not assigned to her room. Over time, Paskiewicz started to build relationships and to understand nursing in a more spiritual level.

“I think, very early on, not fully understanding the experience, I got to be friends with people like the chaplain who was there and spent some time just trying to talk through my feelings about working with patients,” Paskiewicz said. “And, very slowly, I began to have a much better appreciation of the way the church and ready [and] spirit connection.

“I like to think my beginning sense of understanding connectedness helped me to earn an award for the best clinical nurse in my class, but somehow, in hindsight... I thought maybe I am different, and maybe this is affirming to me that my way of thinking and being with people is different.”

Paskiewicz said she then examined her own spiritual development through the lens of childbirth, a division of nursing in which she spent much of her career before she became involved in education.

“I think that the spiritual connection can begin to develop between women and their babies long before the baby is born, and so to minimalize the time the baby is in the womb is a great mistake,” she said.

“It’s an expansion of the mind and creation into a new life that is important.’

In order to organize her thoughts, Paskiewicz laid out her five spiritual steps she uses when practicing nursing. Her steps include meaning, the idea of becoming and connectedness.

“It’s very fun to see other nurses here as well, so they can contribute because I think that each of us come to develop... the importance of spiritual connection not only to ourselves but to others we serve,” Paskiewicz said.

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Students promote Islam

By EMILY McCONVILLE

In order to fight misconceptions about the Muslim faith and educate people about specific aspects of Islam, the Notre Dame Muslim Students Association (MSA-ND) is hosting its first Islam Awareness Week from Tuesday to Friday of this week.

S.M. Moududf Islam, MSA-ND secretary, said the organization began planning the week last semester, using other universities’ Islam Awareness Weeks as models. He said the goal of the week, which is funded by a Graduate Student Life grant, Campus Ministry, the Islamic Society of Michiana South Bend Mosque, the Center for Social Concerns and the Kroc Institute for International Studies, is to provide a series of unified events that allow the Notre Dame community to ask detailed questions about the Muslim faith.

“The idea of Islam Awareness Week is to have multiple events within a week so that we can draw the attention of the people here on campus and let them know about Islam, and also to let the people ask questions,” Islam said. “We are having different talks and different…events at which there can be close interaction between the audience and the speaker. It is good to have that forum where you can ask questions.”

MSA-ND vice president Md. Itrat Bin Shams said the week would also be an opportunity to learn about certain facets of Islam, such as the pilgrimage to Mecca and the concept of the hijab, in more detail. “(The goal is) to let people know about specific aspects of Islam, some things that are maybe known to us but not to people who believe in other faiths,” Shams said.

The week will begin with two events focused on Hajj, the fifth Pillar of Islam, in which Muslims make a pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca. On Tuesday, there will be a screening of the documentary, “Seven Wonders of the Muslim World,” which features seven mosques in the Islamic world and tells the story of seven pilgrims’ journey to Mecca.

On Wednesday, during Campus Ministry’s regular Prayer from Around the World, Dr. A. Rashied Omar, a research scholar of Islamic Studies and peace building at the Kroc Institute, will give a talk on Hajj.

“We always see the image of the Kaaba in Mecca on TV, but we don’t exactly know any people who are non-Muslim who know what is going on there,” Islam said. “So the idea is to have a lecture, and in addition to the lecture we are having a video demonstration on the pilgrimage to Mecca…”

Dr. A. Rashied Omar will be discussing the spiritual aspect as well as the rituals. Directly following Omar’s lecture will be a dinner titled “I Believe In…” which will consist of small-group discussions of each participant’s faith.

On Friday, MSA-ND will provide transportation for 12 students to the mosque at the Islamic Society of Michiana for a prayer service.

“Some students from Notre Dame can come with us to see how we perform our prayer and also, there’s a speech just before the prayer by the imam, the leader in the mosque,” Shams said. “They can see the whole picture. The mosque, for us, for Muslims, is not only the place for the prayer, [but] it is also a community center, so they can see how these things connect with each other.”

The week will culminate with a lecture by Hisham Mahmoud, a research scholar of Islamic Studies and peace building at the Kroc Institute, who will give a talk on Hajj.

Patten, chancellor of the University of Oxford and chair of the BBC trust, received recognition as the release stated.

Ford, a retired executive in the oil industry and member of the Notre Dame class of 1966, worked as chief executive of refining and marketing for British Petroleum and provided the funds to establish the Ford Family Program in Human Development Studies and Solidarity at Notre Dame, according to the press release. He currently serves on Notre Dame’s Board of Trustees.

A professor of applied physics and electrical engineering at Harvard University, Hu researches nanoscale electronic and photonic devices, according to the press release. She has developed products from electronic devices.

Hammond, “a Harvard-trained surgeon and urban community leader,” founded Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston, where he serves as pastor, the press release stated. Hammond has held leadership positions with outreach groups in Boston and written papers and articles focusing on social concerns, including academic achievement and violence prevention.

Patten will deliver the commencement address and receive an honorary degree, according to a Jan. 15 University press release.
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day before the application deadline. She said other schools recruited her for athletics but she ultimately based her decision on Notre Dame’s strong community.

“I applied the last day [the application] was due,” she said. “I was going a different route. I was being recruited to play sports.

“I was about to go to go elsewhere. I was basically going … I got here for Spring [Visitation, a weekend recruitment program for prospective minority students], and it just changed the game.”

“The community was really, really impressive and I thought, ‘If there’s one place that’s going to incorporate ideas from across campus. Vidal said she and Devine see Notre Dame as an institution with a breadth of knowledge and resources that student government can and should use to facilitate dialogue and action on issues that the student body considers important.

“You think of an issue like sexual assault on campus, so you think of it as a very student-led conversation in terms of student leadership trying to solve [it] … but it’s unique when you step back and you think, we are at a premier university,” Vidal said.

Devine said he and Vidal will focus first on “visible initiatives” such as founding the Student Nighttime Auxiliary Patrol (SNAP), a supplement to the SafeWalk program, and initiating quad markets, which would bring food products and crafts from farmers markets to Notre Dame’s quad.

He said acting as a representative of the student body presents a unique challenge to faithfully serving the campus community. The thing I’m most excited about is also the thing I’m most afraid of too: representing the student body’s opinion, especially the atmosphere at the time,” he said. “If I will be able to use that voice, express students’ opinions effectively and give a very accurate temperature of the discussion of the time.”

Vidal said she and other members of her administration had met with the administration of former student body president Alex Coccia and former vice president Nancy Joyce, both seniors, to facilitate the transition process.

“They’ve been great,” she said. “Obviously we need to attribute a lot of credit to them. They’ve been good at catching us up to speed and giving us information on issues as opposed to just logistics, so they’ve really involved us in the conversation, and we’re really grateful for that.”

Devine said he and Vidal expect to hit the ground running when they take office April 1. “April 1 is not the start date; it’s just a continuation,” he said.

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Stereotypes

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wants something to drink, ice cream or dessert. My asking her shows that I am the one who actually wants it.”

Ye said this is a way for her to be polite and humble by putting others needs before her own.

“Being direct can sometimes be good, but most of the time [it] is offensive,” she said.

The next illustration Ye showed was a single person on the west side and a group of people on the east. She said this represented the individualistic but collectivist cultures have and the collectivism the Chinese have.

“We are very group-oriented people [in China],” Ye said. “We value collectivism and group work very much.”

Another illustration Ye used represented the differing authoritative roles between east and west.

“Since westerners value individualism, they often like to be the center of attention, but since easterners so much value collectivism, we try to minimize ourselves,” she said.

Another aspect Ye finds unique to the west is the dynamic between students and teachers.

“At first, I was shocked by the interaction [between] students and their teacher. Students challenge the teacher, whereas in China, students are submissive because they want to show respect to the teacher,” she said.

Other cultural differences Ye brought to light were the significance of the weather on peoples’ moods in the west, and the amount of noise westerners enjoy while eating.

“Our fancy restaurants [in China] are very noisy, [but] it is the opposite in America,” she said.

Ye also noted how many easterners view beauty much differently than westerners.

“In China, we have the opposite notion of beauty,” she said. “We think the paler your skin is, the more beautiful you are. You will find self-whitening products instead of self-tanning.”

The major thing Ye will miss about living in America is the fresh air and enthusiasm for environmentalism. Although many people may judge others based on these stereotypes, it is important to be compassionate towards all cultures and aspects of humanity.

“You need to show your respect and understanding of different cultures,” she said.

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Morning.

fully be serving me coffee tomorrow especially since hipsters don’t like what the definition of a hipster is, to all of us. This conclusion has led to the belief that it doesn’t matter what the definition of a hipster is and how to define them.

It’s time to give America a raise, the president is fond of saying, as if it were that easy. He’s also fond of saying that no person who works full time should have to raise a family in poverty, a statement that is harder to disagree with.

What Democrats and the president won’t address are Republicans’ concerns that the minimum wage hike they’re asking for could cost up to 500,000 American jobs, as the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office reported last month.

Democrats are all too eager to paint Republicans as insensitive to the realities and struggles of working class Americans. Yet it falls on deaf ears when Republicans insist that they do care about hard working Americans, which is precisely why they want to save a half a million of their jobs.

The GOP’s concern that a minimum wage hike will lead to an increase in unemployment in an economy where unemployment remains stubbornly high is a genuine one. As many Republicans have said, the issue can be boiled down to simple economics: as the price of something (employment) becomes more expensive, you are able to offer less of it. The GOP is right to be concerned over higher unemployment in a still fragile economy.

Still, the conversation does not end there and cannot end there, as much as some members of the GOP might like for that to happen. Republicans in Congress have largely ignored the reality that $7.25 is not a living wage in America today. Boosting the minimum wage by nearly three dollars might not be the answer, but allowing an individual in the world’s richest nation to work full time and make $15,000 a year is not an acceptable alternative either.

Of course, there are real alternatives to keeping the minimum wage at its current level and boosting it to $10.10, although it’s often hard to remember that, given Democrats’ and Republicans’ insistence that it’s their way or the high way.

One common sense option is a smaller minimum wage hike to $9.00 an hour, as Neil King’s article in the Wall Street Journal suggested on Feb. 24.

A $9.00 minimum wage would lift nearly 300,000 people out of poverty while raising the incomes of 7.6 million people and would constitute the largest minimum wage hike in nearly 40 years, all while causing virtually no pain to the economy, according to the article.

Another alternative to the $10.10 minimum wage is promoting the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) to target low-wage workers, an option Conor Durkin detailed in his viewpoint piece on Feb. 19 (“Finding a better solution than $10.10”).

There are alternatives out there that offer something to both parties. However, as long as both parties continue to stick to their talking points and refuse to engage in a real debate, those alternatives will never be realized.

The minimum wage is not a two-sided issue. Republicans and Democrats alike would be well served if they stop acting like it.

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Putting on a show for prospective students

Bianca Almada
This is Real Life

I would like to take this opportuni-
ty to again say thank you to the men of St. Edward’s Hall. No matter how bad my morning starts off, whether I am running late or have spilled cof-
fee all over myself, it gets better when I see the smiling faces of the students and the way they say, “Good morning, Maem.”

The Gentleman’s Dorm

Seth Dorman
The Maine Campus

“[North Korea] is a human para-
dise in which Jesus would have noth-
ing to do even if he came,” according to an article on North Korea’s state-
run website. Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un, it adds, embraces his peo-
ple in “ever shining arms of eternal love.”

But the United Nations Human Rights Council disagrees, as evi-
denced by a report filed recently describing prison camps through-
out the nation that rival those of Hitler and Stalin in their scope and brutality. On Friday, the council called for action to be taken against North Korea, submitting a resolu-
tion which, if successful, would hold North Korean government officials liable to arrest outside

Their always treat me with respect, as I do to them, and they help me get through my day. I care for each of the students like he were my own son. They are true gentlemen and have been since I started here.

Beyond the wonderful student resi-

dents of St. Ed’s, another man I would like to give thanks to is Fr. Ralph Haag. He is truly a blessing in my life and my family’s life. Did I mention he is one of the best rectors on campus? While I have thanked him before in previous years, I would like to thank you once more, gentlemen of St. Ed’s and Fr. Ralph, for letting me be able to say “I enjoy waking up morning, day to day to work. Thank you for all you do for me and for giving me the strength to not to give up. God bless you.

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Failure to intervene in North Korea is a crime

Seth Dorman
The Maine Campus

“Their member na-
tions of the Human Rights Council voted in favor the resolution, and 11 abstained. China, Russia, Cuba, Pakistan, Vietnam and Venezuela voted against it.”

North Korea’s United Nations ambassador So Se Pyong told the council, “In [North Korea] we have a proverb saying ‘Mind your own business.’ One needs to see his or her face in the mirror to check how nasty it is before talking about others.”

In situations such as these, mind-
ing our own business would be a crime, Mr. Pyong. I think Bush, Cuba, Pakistan, Vietnam and Venezuela are wrong in their treat-
ment of their citizens. Of course there are times when minding our own business is exactly what we ought to do. There are times we didn’t mind our own business and ought to have. We cannot police the world — any organization with power and authority to do so is too powerful and too authoritative and will inevitably become more corrupt than those it polices. This, however, is one of those instances when it is wrong not to act: many are call-
ing it “the worst human tragedy in the world.” Starvation is rampant. Timothy Kang, who escaped from the prisons, described prisoners that looked like “skeletons barely cov-
ered with skin.” Inmates catch rats and snakes and ask their guards for permission to eat them. Some mothers are maimed to the point where they cannot hold their infants, and the babies die. Forced abor-
tions and infanticide is common. One female inmate was raped by a platoon leader; after the baby was born, the mother and her newborn were locked in a detention house. The mother soon went missing. The infant was fed to dogs. These and numerous other atrocities have been reported by over 300 escaped witnesses. In light of this, we are obliged to act.

“You shall not kill” does not only forbid: by implication, it de-
mands. It requires that we do all we lawfully can to preserve life. The United Nations must recognize this and take action, or it will become complicit in the crimes. Now that our knowledge of crimes we have guessed at for decades is certain, failure to intervene is tacit approval. To know what is happening, to be able to intervene, and then to abdi-
cate this responsibility is to be guilty of murder.

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You had me at “Wes Anderson.”

One of last fall’s highlights on Saturday Night Live was a sketch featuring the fake trailer for “The Coterie of Midnight Intruders,” which parodied Anderson’s movies and their idiosyncratic and stylistically-unique nature. It featured a one-off joke quoting a fake New York Times review of the film, saying, “You had me at Wes Anderson.”

I hate to say it, but going into Anderson’s latest actual movie, “Grand Budapest Hotel,” I shivered the mindset. It was a Wes Anderson movie, and therefore I would like it. I may like it less than other Wes Anderson movies, but I will still enjoy the film.

My bias aside though, it’s safe to say that this is one of Anderson’s most accessible, funniest and most spectacu- lar films, with a story and style that reaches beyond the familiar Anderson quirks.

The quicks are there, no doubt — overhead shots; bright, crayon-colors; symmetrical framing; precocious children; dysfunctional families; and, above all, a whimsical, deadpan sense of humor that doesn’t always make you laugh but can always be recognized as funny, either in the moment or in retrospect.

But “Grand Budapest Hotel” feels like, if not the least Andersonian of his films, then at least the most movie- like of his movies. The plot moves between decades, as an aging writer in the present recalls his time as a young writer in 1968 meeting an old man in a once-famous hotel, the Grand Budapest, recalling his time as a boy in the then-famous hotel in 1932.

Okay so yeah, the movie is pretty Wes Anderson-y. But the movie delves deep into its characters and plot, as the eccentric and anarchocratically proper concierge of the hotel, Monsieur Gustave H. (Ralph Fiennes, in one of the funniest roles of his career), becomes wrapped up in the murder investigation of one of the hotel’s best clients and a close confidant of his, a rich and equally eccentric old woman.

We follow the mystery through the eyes of the young Zero Moustafa, a young and precocious immigrant and lobby boy in the hotel, who adores Gustave and follows his every order, no matter how ridiculous.

The movie runs through a string of ludicrous and vi- brant characters, from the overmatched executives of the old woman’s will played by Jeff Goldblum, her vulgar jerk of a son played by Adrien Brody, the understanding and rational German officer played by Edward Norton, the hugging enforcer played by Willem Dafoe, the conniving prisoner played by Harvey Keitel and, of course, appear- ances from Bill Murray, Jason Schwartzman and Owen Wilson.

Despite all these famous faces and instantly memo- rable characters, though, the central conflict of the film rests in the efforts of Gustave and Zero to escape the forc- es chasing them down and hold onto a priceless painting they stole from the old woman’s estate. Well technically it was willed to Gustave, but it’s a whole thing in the movie.

During their time on the run, with Gustave constantly trying to get back to his beloved hotel and Zero trying to get back to the young girl he loves and has promised to marry (another precocious child, played by Saoirse Ronan), Anderson gives us insight into the intense lone- liness and that accompanies Gustave and his lifestyle. Zero adores him, but we can see what total devotion to servitude, mixed with endless vanity, can lead to in life. Zero devotes himself to his new love, but we find out even that can’t promise endless joy.

The most powerful moment, for me, comes at the very end, as a rebuttal to a point made in the opening minutes of the movie. At the beginning of the movie, the writer re- calls seeing the old man, who we find out later to be Zero, in the hotel, and though all the people in the hotel are alone, he is the first one to seem truly lonely. Anderson shows us at the end of the film though, that sometimes loneliness is the price to be paid for love and happiness, and mushy and sentimental as that may sound, heck, I liked it.

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“Grand Budapest Hotel” Wes Anderson
Fox Searchlight Productions
If you like: Awkwardness coated in saturated colors.

RUNNING TOWARD GOALS A HOLY HALF MARATHON TALE

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Editor’s note: This is the final installment in a series of columns chronicling the journey to the Holy Half Marathon on March 29.

Three weeks ago, I was making plans to run away for this past weekend.

I knew the Holy Half Marathon was Saturday, and I had decided that, despite several weeks of preparing, I was not going to run it. I had spent most of those weeks unwilling to train in the freezing temperatures, unable to bring myself to run inside and discouraged by on-and-off shin pain.

When I wasn’t running, I was frustrated. When I was running, I was still frustrated. Upon realizing that I grimaced every time someone mentioned running, the Holy Half or anything even tangentially related to athleticism, I decided to take a step back. The race had transformed from a fun and challenging goal to a source of feelings of inadequacy, and so it had become no longer worth it.

In accordance with my tendency to be too hard on my- self, I was not-so-secretly bitter about the situation. Until four days beforehand, I was so determined to escape the entire event that I looked into flights home to New Jersey for the weekend.

My dad, however, was having none of it. As parents are wont to do, he reminded me that running away from my problems (no pun intended) would solve nothing.

“What is it that will really define your success on this project?” he asked me.

Angry 20-something that I am, I reacted by refusing to speak to him for several days. It wasn’t until I learned that the Holy Half committee was looking for volunteers that I returned to his question.

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As I had known deep down all along, planning my escape from South Bend certainly wouldn’t do it. But maybe giving of myself in another way could.

I signed myself up to volunteer at the race, and for an hour and a half Saturday morning, I stood about a quar- ter of a mile from the finish line, pointing runners toward the end and cheering louder than I knew possible. (I refuse to be ashamed about that.)

Still, the half marathon proved valuable for me in ways I couldn’t have predicted.

I recognized how much good comes from urging other people on as they pursue their goals and ambitions. I learned that sometimes we are meant to be the run- ners and other times, we are meant to be the cheerlead- ers yelling until we lose our voices.

I realized that there’s nothing wrong with deciding that one aspiration no longer serves you and pursuing another instead.

As it turns out, what ultimately matters is that instead of running away from things, we run toward them.

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Rollins hit his 299th homer and pinch-hitter John Mayberry Jr. had a tiebreaking two-run double that put the Phillies ahead for good in a 14-10 victory over the Rangers on Monday.

Rollins matched Cal Ripken's major league record by starting his 14th consecutive opener at shortstop for the same franchise. He also became the 19th player in major league history with at least 400 doubles, 100 triples and 200 homers.

J-Roll, with the big pop early, just really set the tone and got things going," Phillies manager Ryne Sandberg said. "I think it was contagious after that."

The Phillies had 17 hits and nine bases on balls. They scored more than enough to make up for a rough outing for Lee (1-0), who was unable to protect a 6-0 lead after Rollins homered in the second inning.

Rollins, whose wife is expecting their second child, flew to Texas on Sunday, a day after the rest of the team did. "I didn't want to come here and then have to fly to Philadelphia," Rollins said. "The baby has let me go out and play ball for a few more days."

Marlon Byrd and Cody Asche also homered for the Phillies, who beat the Boston Red Sox 10-2 in their 1900 opener.

 Converted Rangers reliever Tanner Scheppers gave up seven runs over four innings. But the game was tied when Lee had four more strikes on the way to a 6-2, 6-2 victory, and the Rangers took a 1-0 lead in the third spot, 6-2, 1-0 (10-9). Belles junior Jackie Kjolhede earned a win in the three singles by dropping just two games on her way to a 6-2, 6-0 victory, and Elliott took a 6-1, 6-2 decision at four singles. Fetterson a 6-1, 6-0 match at number three and Kiever won in the sixth spot, 6-2, 6-2.

The Belles will return to action against Indiana Wesleyan today after last week's nonconference contest against the Wildcats was postponed due to weather. Campbell said the tilt with Division-I Indiana Wesleyan would not be an easy matchup. "It is always tough playing a team that has players on scholarship," he said. "They are ranked nationally and a perennial power in their conference. We want to win, but the main priority is getting better for our conference battles."

The Belles' next conference match will take place on April 9 against Albion, last year's third-place conference finisher. "Albion is always strong and will be a tough opponent in the upcoming season, so our focus is improving every match in doubles and continue to hit more quality shots every match, every point," Campbell said.

"It will take a concentrated effort every match and every practice we have over the next 25 days. The season moves really fast for us at this point," he added.

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**SMC SOFTBALL**

Weather prevents weekend games

Observer Staff Report

The Belles postponed their second double header in a row Sunday, adding two games against North Park to the pair of contests against Manchester already on the rescheduling list. It has been over a week since the Belles (8-4) have seen action. They swept Dominican on March 23.

Saint Mary’s has two more non-conferences game before beginning conference play on April 5. The Belles return to action today against Carthage (6-4). Carthage, ranked No. 22 in Division III by National Fastpitch Coaches Association in the preseason, won its last game against Colby College, 4-1. Early this season, the Lady Reds are being led by freshman pitcher Darian Pelsor who leads Carthage in batting average of .350 team batting average and only six earned runs allowed.

Senior pitcher and captain Callie Selner has been the leader of the Saint Mary’s team so far, leading the team in batting average (.448) and doubles (8). Selner has made her mark in the Saint Mary’s softball record books both batting and pitching. Selner is fifth in career RBIs with 93, and is only nine RBIs behind Laura Richter (1993-1996) for the program’s second spot in the category. She also ranks first in career wins (41) and second in career strikeouts (327). Selner broke the record for most wins in a single season with 17 in 2012. Sophomore outfielder Jillian Busfield has also made her mark on the Belles team ranking fifth in the all-time home-run rankings, and last season as a freshman, Busfield broke the single-season record for most home runs with 11.

Now with four games yet to be rescheduled, the Belles will compete against Carthage in Kenosha, Wis., on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

**MEN’S SWIMMING | NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Irish wrap up season with NCAA championships

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame’s season came to a close Saturday at the NCAA championships, as the Irish finished 30th out of 48 teams.

Despite the low team finish, the Irish managed to compile 14 points during the championship meet, the second-most for a Notre Dame team at the NCAA finals in program history, behind only the 2012 team’s showing of 15.

The conclusion of the meet marks the conclusion of head coach Tim Welsh’s tenure with the Irish. During Welsh’s tenure, a total of 23 qualifiers traveled to the NCAA championships, with 20 of those bids coming since the 2011 season. In addition, Welsh has helped six Irish swimmers earn All-America honors during the previous four NCAA championship meets.

The Irish received several strong individual performances over the weekend. Irish senior Frank Dyer set a program record in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:17.13 and earned All-America honors with his time in the 200-yard freestyle.

Dyer finished with a time of 1:33.43 in the event, which was good enough to place fifth overall at the tournament. Dyer finishes his career holding the Notre Dame program records in the 50-, 100-, 200-, 500- and 1000-yard freestyle events, along with the 100-yard butterfly. He is also a member of four different record-holding relay teams.

Irish freshman Joe Cournos finished off his first collegiate season as only the third men’s diver in Notre Dame program history to qualify for the NCAA meet. Cournos finished 19th in the 1-meter dive with a score of 324.10.

The Irish also received strong showings from a pair of junior All-Americans, as well. Zach Stephens finished his season in the 200-yard breaststroke, an event in which he had previously set a new program record with a time of 1:53.34 during the ACC championship meet last month. Stephens would touch the wall at the NCAA championship meet with a time of 1:55.74, which was good enough for 26th place finish. John Williamson put together a strong showing in his signature event, as well, the 200-yard butterfly, with a time of 1:14.40. Williamson placed 24th in the event.

**SMC LACROSSE**

Illinois Tech game moved

Observer Staff Report

Originally scheduled to square off this past Sunday afternoon, Saint Mary’s and Illinois Tech will instead play this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. after their game was postponed due to unplayable field conditions.

The cancellation came after a week of cold weather and heavy rain hit the field at Saint Mary’s. Before they take on the Hawks (0-7), the Belles (0-6) will travel to Kalamazoo on Wednesday to face the Hornets (2-4) in their first conference matchup of the season.

In its first year as a varsity program, Saint Mary’s will continue to search for its first win against Kalamazoo on Wednesday and, conditions permitting, against the winless Illinois Tech squad Saturday.
Outdoor season begins with Texas meets

By CASEY KARNES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame opened its outdoor season with a pair of meets in Texas this past weekend, putting up strong showings at the Texas Relays in Austin, Texas and the Victor Lopez Invitational in Houston.

The Irish faced some adjustments in their first outdoor competition, but according to freshman hurdler Conner Stapleton, the weather more than made up for it.

“It was different because we’ve been training inside, and indoor tracks and outdoor tracks are just different in length,” Stapleton said. "The coaches try to prepare us as much as they can, to simulate how it feels on an outdoor track, but there’s only so much you can do. But it was nice, beautiful weather in Houston. I mean, I couldn’t imagine any better weather.”

At the first meet, the Texas Relays, 18 Irish athletes made the trek to compete against opponents from the likes of Penn State, Texas and Duke, among other schools. The main event over the meet’s first several days was the men’s decathlon, where Notre Dame senior Ted Glasnow finished in seventh place out of 15 competitors. His score of 7,299 was enough to give him the top-10 finish he needed to qualify nationally. Glasnow’s position was particularly bolstered by his first-place finish in the pole vault section of the decathlon (4.40 meters).

Other standouts at the Texas Relays included both genders’ 4x400-meter relays. The women’s team of junior Jade Barber, senior Michelle Brown, junior Amber Lalla and sophomore Margaret Bambose finished second with a time of 3:35.91. Freshman Harvey Smith, junior Chris Giesting, senior Patrick Feeney and senior Jarrod Buchanon took fourth place in the event after finishing in 3:08.60. After they achieved All-American status in the indoor season, Stapleton said the 4x400-meter relay team, particularly Feeney and Giesting, have become the example the entire team hopes to replicate.

“Chris [Giesting] and Pat [Feeney] have probably turned in their best seasons,” Stapleton said. “The two of them kind of just lead the team, and we just try to pick up the pieces where we can. We try to train as hard as they train, and follow what they do.”

Meanwhile, at the Victor Lopez Invitational, the Irish were able to find success in some events new to the outdoor season. In the women’s discus, sophomore thrower Lena Madison came in fifth place (41.11 meters). In another women’s field event, senior thrower Amanda Chamblee’s javelin toss of 40.49 meters was good enough for second place.

Back on the track, the Irish managed a one-two finish in the men’s 400-meter hurdles, and a victory in the women’s 400-meter hurdles as well. Sophomore Michelle Rotondo claimed victory with a 1:00.75 time, while Stapleton (53.64) and sophomore Aaron Dunn (54.04) paced the men’s event. The race marked Stapleton’s first college victory, but the freshman said it was only a single step on the path to his ultimate goals.

“It feels good,” Stapleton said. “I don’t want to hype it up like I’m a big superstar now, cause I’m not. I know I have a long way to go. I ran a conservative race and just did what I can. I hope to improve off that time, which I think I will.”

The Irish will return to the track next weekend, when they travel to the Stanford Invitational in Stanford, Calif.

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**Corrigan**

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something we’ll always have that we got to share.”

Will echoed his fathers’ sentiments, adding that he embraces the chance to see him every day.

“He was always a role model for me growing up,” he said. “Having him around every day is really great. I stop by the office almost every day to talk to him as a dad, not a coach, which is pretty cool.”

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Corrigan

Irish junior midfielder Will Corrigan

 tackling his dad as a coach has not come with some adjustments for the younger Corrigan, particularly when his teammates air complaints about the coaching staff.

“It’s hard in the locker room and your coach is with you fun when you’re on vacation and your team can get better. The one thing I will say is it’s not as fun when you’re on vacation and your coach is with you and he knows if you’re working out or not.”

Will echoed his father’s sentiments, adding that he found the issues to be difficult to resolve, however.

“When we’re on the field, I treat him no different than anybody else,” Coach Corrigan said. “That’s not to say I treat everybody the same. You learn what guys respond to and what they don’t, and while there’s a certain amount of pushing and prodding you really tailor it to what a guy responds to — I think I do that with Will on the field the same as everybody else.”

Since both are now trying to help the Irish win their first-ever national championship, lacrosse is always a hot topic at home during the summer.

“We talk about lacrosse [at home] but it’s not like he forces me into it — I almost force him into it,” Will said. “We’ve both always loved the game, so we try to figure out how can I get better and how the team can get better. The one thing I will say is it’s not as fun when you’re on vacation and your coach is with you and he knows if you’re working out or not.”

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**Baseball**

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momentum and all that stuff begins and ends with the guy on the mound,” Irish coach Mik Aoki said. “Nick did a good job last week of staying in the strike zone and making them earn their way on base. If we’re able to do that, hopefully, we’ll be in a good place.”

The win over Valparaiso was just Notre Dame’s sixth win in March. The Irish are 6-12 in the month.

This time around, Notre Dame will hand the ball to junior right-hander Scott Kerrigan. Kerrigan (0-1, 5.06 ERA) opened the season in the weekend rotation but has not made a start since Feb. 23 against Santa Clara.

“I think a lot of it is that he’s earned his way back into it,” Aoki said. “I think he’s done an excellent job of kind of battling his way back into that role. He’s pitched really well. He pitched well [Sunday] in that first game.”

In his two starts in February, Kerrigan allowed 10 runs (five earned) on seven hits in just 3 1/3 innings. Since then, in appearances against Virginia Tech and Wake Forest, he has gone 7 1/3 innings and allowed one run on four hits.

“I thought he pitched really well last week against Virginia Tech,” Aoki said. “I think any intrasquad games we’ve had, he’s worked himself back into it. I think he’s been throwing the ball really well so I think that’s a big part of it.”

Valparaiso sophomore right-hander Ellis Foreman. Foreman (1-4, 4.24) took the loss against the Irish last week when he gave up four runs on nine hits in seven innings.

Last week, the Irish struck quickly against Foreman in the first inning. Just seven pitches in, the Irish scored on junior first baseman Blaise Lezynski’s RBI single. Four pitches later, they added another when freshman second baseman Cavan Biggio drove in Lezynski with a sacrifice fly.

Freshman third baseman Kyle Flah, sophomore left fielder Zak Kuttel and freshman catcher Ryan Lidge all picked up two hits against Foreman.

The Crusaders have had nine games cancelled this season, including two Horizon League weekend series. Valparaiso has played just six games since March 9.

Tuesday’s game, which will be played in Four Winds Field, was originally scheduled for 5:35 p.m. but has since been moved to 8:05 p.m. because of the South Bend Silver Hawks’ media day and practice.

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**SPORTS**

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around the guys and making sure everybody’s comfortable around each other, just basically overall building a unit that plays together.”

Day said he knows his role on this year’s defensive line will require him to take on more leadership responsibilities as an upperclassman.

“I feel like, with my play, I kind of set an example, or I hope that I do, and that people can follow me and kind of see what direction I’m trying to take this unit,” Day said.

The necessity of adjustments means that some players will have to move to different positions on the line. Senior defensive lineman Chase Hounshell has shifted this spring to playing defensive tackle.

“I came in at the defensive-end position,” Hounshell said. “Obviously, though, we were in a different defense last year, so this year, it’s based on who we have, our personnel. We have [senior outside linebacker] Ishaq [Williams] at the end; we have [junior outside linebacker] Romeo [Okwara]. We got some other guys. We got [senior outside linebacker] Anthony Rabasa, early-enrollee [freshman defensive lineman Andrew] Trumbetti has been absolutely phenomenal, he’s been great, so [defensive tackle] is kind of where the team needed me. So I said, ‘All right, let’s do it.’”

At least one thing is certain for the defensive line, and it is a principle that has molded the line over the past few years, according to Day: the line will learn to communicate best by spending a lot of time together away from the field.

“I feel like it’s definitely been carried on throughout the years, especially with Kap [for-

mer defensive lineman Kapron Lewis-Moore] kind of bringing me under his wing, Tyler bring-
ing me under his wing. Louis, Tuitt, just guys like that, always just trying to get around each other, maybe grab something to eat, always trying to communi-
cate with each other,” Day said.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Work hard. Use your energy wisely and you will manage to stay out of trouble and avoid an emotional argument. A passionate encounter will help relieve tension and enhance your home and personal life. Don’t count, but be sure to do enough.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stick close to home. Be agreeable, but don’t let anyone take you for granted. Keep the momentum flowing and your goal in sight. An experience will leave you perplexed but closer to making a decision. Do one thing at a time and avoid distractions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can make professional progress if you don’t let your emotions interfere with the choices you make. Proceed to make changes based on facts, not impulse. Your professional and personal life must be kept separate. Love and romance are highlighted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Keep your guard up and your fingers crossed. You’ll have to be smart and a little shrewd if you want to outsmart someone exposing competitive do-or-die tendencies. Now is not the time to be nice; it’s the time to be strong.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You’ve got all the moves. Show what you have to offer and you will enhance your life both personally and professionally. Make changes that will improve your surroundings and encourage you to try something new. All eyes are on you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Look for an opportunity and you will find one. Taking on responsibility will improve your chance to advance. An emotional issue regarding a partnership is likely to surface. Follow your intuition and you will make a good choice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Questioning is good but procrastinating is not. Line up your situation and act accordingly. If you don’t make moves that count, you will continue to spin your wheels. Pour your heart and soul into whatever you do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Use past experience and connections to help you get to where you want to go. Investigate your situation and act accordingly. Don’t hesitate to take an alternative route in order to reach your goal. Secretive action will allow you greater freedom to follow through and finish what you started with integrity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You’ll have to be ready to counter any stance you take. Be reasonable and honest as you move forward. Less talk and more action will help, but don’t disregard your intuition — it’s likely to be on target.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The use of past experience and connections to help you get to where you want to go is something that will help you develop whatever you need to help you reach your goal. Don’t let anything come between you and making a good decision. Less talk and more action will help, but don’t disregard your intuition — it’s likely to be on target.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Repress your feelings if it will help you achieve what’s expected of you. Being responsible first and foremost will say a lot about the person you are and how reliable you can be. Build greater support by doing what’s required.

Birthday Baby: You are energetic and entertaining. You are a doer and a leader.
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MEN’S LACROSSE

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Who said girls play nice?
It took about 35 minutes of
rough-and-tumble play for No.
1-seed notre dame to break
away from the second-seeded
Lady Bears, but when all was
said and done, the Irish claimed
an 88-69 win and their fourth-
straight trip to the Final Four.

-When [former Irish guard]
Skyler [Diggin] came in, people
expected that we would be in the

Irish defeat Lady Bears in Elite Eight to advance to fourth-straight Final Four

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FOOTBALL

Defensive line takes new shape

By SAMANTHA ZUBA

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Right now, the Irish defen-
sive line is a unit in flux. But the
flexible mentality of a group
adjusting to new faces and the
graduation of seniors fits right in
with the philosophy behind a 4-3
defense.

With its emphasis on reactions
and dynamic adjustment, the
new 4-3 defensive scheme allows
Notre Dame to showcase its ver-
satility and athleticism, junior
defensive lineman Jarron Jones
said during player media avail-
ability Friday.

“I think it’s better for us be-
cause we get to pin our ears
back and attack the gap.” Jones
said. “It’s pretty much a bunch
of responsibility and more reac-
tion, and it actually lets us show
off our actual talents. Not to say
that being in a 3-4 that wasn’t the
case, but playing in a 4-3 is
more of a looser defense than a
3-4. A 3-4 is more disciplined be-
cause you have to play two gaps,
whereas with the 4-3, you only
have to play one. You only have
one rush lane. It’s a lot more on
blitzing concepts. It’s a lot more

fun.”

The Irish defense played in a
4-3 defense before former de-
fensive coordinator Bob Diaco
transitioned Notre Dame to a 3-4
for the 2000 season. This spring,
current defensive coordinator
Brian VanGorder has worked on
bringing the Irish back to the 4-3
set.

“It’s definitely been a good
time,” junior defensive line-
man Sheldon Day said. "Coach
VanGorder is doing a great job
with making sure that we’re
learning the defense, just trying
to make sure everything we do is
kind of up-to-par, and I definitely
feel like he’s doing a great job.”

As Notre Dame’s defensive line
adjusts to the different scheme,
it must also adjust to a new unit
dynamic. Several key players,
including former defensive line-
men Stephon Tuitt and Louis
Nix, declared for the draft after
the conclusion of last season.

“In my case, I feel like it’s about
building another unit,” Day said.
“We lost Tuitt and Nix to the
draft, and it’s just about building
the chemistry again, just getting

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MEN’S LACROSSE

Corrigan develops in his father’s program

By BRIAN PLAMONDON

Sports Writer

Growing up in Indiana,
Irish junior midfielder Will
Corrigan never faced a par-
ticularly high level of competi-
tion when it came to lacrosse.
He actually was better at ten-
nis in middle school, being
told that he could certainly
pursue that sport in college.
By the time high school rolled
around, however, he realized
he enjoyed playing lacrosse

even more — and he wanted
to play for his dad, Irish coach
Kevin Corrigan, now in his 26th season with the program.

Neither of us thought I
could play at [Notre Dame’s]
level.” Will Corrigan said with
a laugh. “He said if I want to
come here, I have a spot, but
probably won’t play for a few
years. Kind of worked out for
both our benefits that I was
better than we expected.”

Will has since become a re-
liable and versatile player for
Notre Dame, making smart
decisions with the ball while
contributing to the team’s of-
fensive output. In 39 games (36
starts) his first three seasons,
he has scored 11 goals while
adding 11 assists. Part of his
success can be attributed to
his familiarity with the team
and coaching style, spending
countless hours around them
as a kid. His father certainly
thinks so, and he has also en-
joyed every minute having his
son on the team.

“I’m coaching a young
adult,” Kevin Corrigan said.
“I’m not coaching a little kid
— there’s no real drama for
him and I. And that I get to be
a part of his college athletic
experience is a pretty neat thing,
because it’s something that he
and I care a lot about and its

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BASEBALL

Host ND looks to end skid

By MATTHEW DeFRANKS

Senior Sports Writer

Notre Dame will try to snap
a three-game losing streak
Tuesday night when it hosts
Valparaiso for the second time
in less than a week.

Wednesday the Irish (9-17,
1-11 ACC) topped the Crusaders
(9-11, 1-2 Horizon), 4-1, behind
six strong innings from sopho-
more-right-hander Nick McCarty.
McCarty picked up his first win
of the season by allowing just
three hits and a run while strik-
ing out five.

“I think in this game,

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Baseball vs. Valparaiso
4 p.m.

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ND Softball vs. Michigan State
Wed., 6 p.m.

ND Women’s Soccer vs. Chicago Red Stars
Wed., 7 p.m.

Men’s Tennis at Wake Forest
Fri., 3 p.m.

ND Women’s Tennis vs. Maryland
Fri., 4 p.m.

ND Softball at DePaul
Fri., 6 p.m.

Baseball at Florida State
Fri., 6 p.m.

Truck & Field at Stanford Invitational
Fri., All day

ND Women’s Golf
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