Fisher rector issues sudden resignation

Fr. Brad Metz announced his departure in Thursday morning email to residents

By LESLEY STEVENSON
News Editor

Fr. Brad Metz, rector of Fisher Hall, sent an email to Fisher Hall residents early Thursday morning announcing his resignation from his position, effective immediately.

“After discussion with administrators in Student Affairs, Human Resources and the Holy Cross community, I apologize for regrettable decisions that I made last weekend that failed to live up to the values of our community,” Metz said in the email. “I will be departing from Fisher in the next couple of days to address these issues and thus resigning my position as Rector effective immediately, and I ask for your prayers.”

“David Halm, C.S.C. will be serving as interim rector for the remainder of the academic year, and I know that he will lead our community with integrity, compassion and good judgment.”

Metz declined to comment beyond what he stated in the email.

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SMC seniors named Orr Fellows

By RONI DARLING
News Writer

Saint Mary’s seniors Annie Kennedy and Sara Napierkowski were the latest Belles to receive Orr Fellowships, offering them a two-year entrepreneurial opportunity to gain post-graduation experience in Indiana.

Previous Orr Fellows from Saint Mary’s include 2013 graduates Nichole Clayton and 2012 graduates Amanda Lester and Melissa Jackson, director of media relations Gwen O’Brien said. This is the third consecutive year Saint Mary’s seniors have received this award.

“Commonly referred to as the Orr Fellowship, the Governor Bob Orr Indiana Entrepreneurial Fellowship was established in 2001 and provides a unique opportunity to soon-to-be college graduates,” O’Brien said. “Approximately 35 Orr Fellows are selected each year from hundreds of applicants to break into the professional world through paid positions with high-growth Indiana companies.”

O’Brien said applicants are typically natives of Indiana or have attended a college or university for six years. She noted that, typical to all previous Orr Fellows, Annie Kennedy, left, and Sara Napierkowski were named 2014 Orr Fellows and will engage in entrepreneurial post-graduate work.

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Former faculty dies of cancer

By LESLEY STEVENSON
News Editor

The Dean’s Fellows of the College of Arts and Letters hosted four speakers in Leighton Concert Hall on April 16 to debate the most controversial aspects of athletics at the nation’s most prominent university for six years. She graduated from Yale University in 1983 and earned a doctoral degree in Near Eastern Studies from Princeton in 1989, the press release stated.

“Remie Constable was a brilliant historian, a generous colleague and a very dear friend,” associate professor of history Margaret Meserve said in the press release. “Her contributions to medieval studies at Notre Dame were countless, but I will remember her best for her love of her students, her wonderful wit and her extraordinary hospitality. She will be...”

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Dean’s Fellows host sports panel

By LESLEY STEVENSON
News Editor


The Notre Dame Athletic Department declined to participate in the discussion, co-executive director of the panel and senior Nikita Tanipartti said.

Senior student body president emeritus Alex Coccia moderated the event by prompting discussion and posing audience-submitted questions.

The panelists considered sexual assault and preferential treatment for student athletes during a large part of the question-and-answer session. Other topics included the possible unionization of college athletes and Notre Dame’s Campus Crossroads Project.

Henneberger, a writer for The National Catholic Reporter and The Washington Post, said Notre Dame fans and administrators must take a stronger stance against assault in order to promote the University’s traditional values, which she said might “have been subjugated to the glory of the football team.”

Henneberger reported on and openly criticized the University’s response to the 2010 death of Elizabeth “Lizzy” Seeberg. Then a first-year student at Saint Mary’s, Seeberg committed suicide shortly after accusing a Notre Dame football player of sexually assaulting her. Former Irish linebacker Prince Shembo confirmed in February that he was the player involved in the subsequent investigation.

“Notre Dame isn’t Michigan; Notre Dame isn’t Florida State, and we never wanted our motto...”
QUESTION OF THE DAY:

What is your favorite Pokemon?

Anthony Barrett
Junior
Stanford Hall
“Bulbasaur.”

Emily Dauer
Sophomore
Pangborn Hall
“The original 151, the only ones that count.”

Josh Dempsey
Sophomore
Duncan Hall
“Snorlax.”

Conor Montijo
Junior
Stanford Hall
“Charmander. For sure.”

Brooke Turrell
Junior
Walsh Hall
“Squiritle.”

Katie Ward
Junior
Walsh Hall
“Definitely Pikachu.”

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Wednesday

Pedal Cabs
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Free pedal cab rides around campus sponsored by SUB

Free Kilwin’s Fudge
Stonehenge
3 p.m.-4 p.m.
Fudge giveaway as part of the Anistlovak celebration

Thursday

Bob Marley on the Quad
North Quad
3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Free Jerk chicken for first 100 people

Wizard Chess
LaFortune Ballroom
7 p.m.-9 p.m.
Channel your inner Ron Weasley with the Sci Fi and Fantasy Club

Friday

Mascot Royale
McGlinn Fields
2 p.m.-3 p.m.
Masculine, masculine, masculine. A treacherous obstacle course

Bonfire
Holy Cross Hill
7 p.m.-9 p.m.
Join SUB and the Minnesota Club for s’mores and snacks

Saturday

Fisher Regatta
Saint Mary’s Lake
1 p.m.-4 p.m.
Cheer on your dorm’s homemade boat as it races across the lake

SUB Spring Concert: Goo Goo Dolls
Fisk Chapel
8:30 p.m.-11 p.m.
Tickets $20, door open 7 p.m.

Sunday

Keenan’s Muddy Sunday
White Fields
8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Keenan’s co-ed mud volleyball tournament

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McGlinn Fields
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Senior advisor spreads awareness of education

By MARISA IATI
Senior News Writer

Christie Vilsack, the self-proclaimed “storyteller” for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), spoke about the organization’s educational mission in developing nations April 16 in Carole Sandner Hall.

Vilsack, the senior advisor for international education at USAID, asked approximately 50 students and staff members to spread the message that the safety and prosperity of the United States depends on education in developing countries. “If young people have jobs and they feel like productive citizens in their own country, they’re not going to become security threats to us,” she said. “So, it’s in our best interest … to make sure that we consider that educating children in other countries is just as important as educating children in our own country.”

“Everything that happens out there in these countries where I’m visiting … will impact kids in this country every day as they grow up. … Our economy depends upon people in other countries and … our trading dollars are very definitely connected to the developing countries, as well.”

To that end, Vilsack said her branch of USAID seeks to increase opportunities for learning. “The ability to function in the world today is pretty dependent upon being able to read,” Vilsack said. “If you can read, that means you can read the medicine that you get at a drugstore or from a doctor. It means that maybe you can better understand the people that you might be voting for. It means that you can start a business.”

In 2010, USAID created a three-part strategy for using education to empower people in impoverished countries. Vilsack said. She said the organization pledged to improve the reading skills of 100 million children, put 15 million additional children in school and increase vocational opportunities and access to higher education.

USAID currently is hosting “All Children Reading: A Grand Challenge,” which asks people to create technology that helps children learn to read. Vilsack said. According to USAID’s website, this international grant competition makes $2.7 million available to innovations and programs.

“Just opening your mind … to understanding different cultures.”

To that end, Vilsack said, “it’s in our best interest … to make sure that educating children in other countries is just as important as educating children in our own country.”

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Christie Vilsack
Senior advisor
USAID

To solve problems, Vilsack said. “And sometimes if you can solve a problem at a local level, you can take that and work at a global level.”

College students with limited time can begin to address global issues by educating themselves about current events in one particular nation, Vilsack said. “It’s overwhelming to pick up a newspaper if … you don’t feed on these things,” she said. “As a young parent and as a teacher, I’d often think, ‘I have to teach these kids tomorrow. I don’t have time to sit and read about South Sudan in depth or every country in the world that I should be thinking about.’ But if you choose one.”

Ultimately, students should aim to consider the ways in which all people are connected, Vilsack said. “If people can think more globally, I think that’s important, and it doesn’t take any more time,” she said. “Just opening your mind … to understanding different cultures.”

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José Miguel Insulza, secretary general of the Organization of American States (OAS) presented a lecture titled “Growth, Inequality and Democracy in the Americas” at the Institute for Educational Initiatives on Tuesday.

Insulza, one of Chile’s longest serving public ministers, addressed the current economic growth of Latin America and what it signifies for the implementation of democracy in the region.

He said the decade between 2002 and 2012 was the period with the largest economic growth for Latin America, a phrase that is key to understanding the economic decline and inequality Latin America currently faces.

“We could have made all the improvements in education, in science and technology, diversifying the economy in the decade between 2002 and 2012,” Insulza said. “This is really a challenge for the region today. What do we do with the expectations that have been created? How do we try to carry out the reforms that are pending from the past decade?”

Insulza said the 2002-2012 decade presented enormous economic growth partly because of better international trade relations, particularly with China.

“Trade between Latin America and China grew from 2002 to 2012, from 4 billion to over 70 billion dollars, and that’s enormous,” Insulza said. “China will become a larger economic partner with Latin America than the United States.

“There is no reason why there should be so much poverty and there is no reason why there should be so much inequality. The fact is that our inequality has increased incredibly. It’s very clear that there is a relationship between the health of the economy and the degree to which capitalism is responsible in some way.”

Insulza said one of the factors that contributed to income inequality in Latin America was the lower rate of investment in regional production, where consumption has ultimately outpaced the country’s import and export rate.

“External investment hasn’t grown, and that is a problem. When wealth increases, wealth in terms of capital and ownership of capital decreases, investments cannot be made,” he said. “Currently, the wealthy classes in Latin America are more willing to buy land or to invest in houses than to invest in products from that region.”

Insulza highlighted three problems key to understanding the current crisis in Latin America: income inequality, rising crime rates and the call for legitimate democratic governments.

He said crime rates have been proven to correlate with income inequality, with the majority of security forces in several countries influenced by the wealthiest one percent.

“Socially, we are faced with a tougher problem. The external conditions for our growth are not there, the internal conditions for our growth are not created and we have been lagging behind. That certainly will affect democracy.” Insulza said. “The interesting thing is that even today, most economists are warming up to the fact that it is not just a problem of social justice, it also a problem of unfairness.

“Growth in the economy is not possible unless we correct the tremendous inequality that exists in the country.”

Insulza said while democracy in Latin America has improved substantially since the 1990s, Latin America still requires progress and further implementation of democratic governments in several countries.

“Citizens are not willing to give obedience in exchange for protection; they are willing to give legitimacy in exchange for citizenship, and I think we are very far from that,” he said.

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Please recycle The Observer.
By KATHRYN MARSHALL

The Saint Mary’s community will celebrate Earth Day with a week of activities hosted by the College’s Environmental Action Coalition.

Students will have the chance to assist in the Saint Mary’s Community Garden, located on the south side of Havican Hall on Wednesday evening, senior Coalition president Colette Curtis said.

“We are encouraging members of the SMC community to be more involved to see the many benefits that come with having a community garden,” said Curtis. “Including the importance of growing your own food and knowing where your food is from,” Curtis said.

On Thursday, the average lunch waste per person will be measured during “Weigh Your Waste” in Noble Family Dining Hall, Curtis said. “During this lunch period, we separate all the ‘edibles’ from the ‘inedibles’ on the trays,” Curtis said. “We weigh all the edibles.”

Members of the Coalition will teach students how to reuse old t-shirts through a recyclable craft event Friday, and the week will celebrate locally grown food with a meal made of such ingredients Saturday, Curtis said. “I believe it is important to know your farmer, share your food is from,” Curtis said.

“I don’t expect students to change their whole way of living after attending one activity,” Curtis said. “However, I hope they recognize the impact they have on our earth and what they can do to live in harmony with all the natural things of our planet.”

“During their two-year tenure, Orr Fellows gain executive-level mentorship at their host companies and build professional and peer networks,” O’Brien said. “The recipients gain experience with other high-potential professionals within dynamic, fast-growing entrepreneurial companies.”

Upon graduation, both Kennedy and Napierkowski will work for Orr Fellowship host companies located in Indianapolis.

Napierkowski, an Italian and global studies double major with a concentration in global business administration, will join [previous Orr Fellow Melissa] Jackson at Teradata,” O’Brien said. “Teradata specializes in helping companies consolidate and analyze large amounts of data to ultimately inspire further corporate development.”

Napierkowski said she will most likely have a role in marketing and research. “When I start in late June, I will do some preliminary work. This will then determine in which area my skills will be most beneficial for the company,” Napierkowski said.

O’Brien said Kennedy, a communication studies major and public relations and advertising minor, will join [previous Orr Fellow Nichole] Clayton at Courseload.

“Courseload primarily helps higher education institutions transition into the digital space,” O’Brien said. “Additionally, Courseload strives to make classroom materials and resources more affordable and accessible for students by creating integrated technology platforms.”

Kennedy said she will be starting out in services to learn the ins and outs of the company, but as time progresses, she will have the opportunity to take on other responsibilities.

O’Brien said Clayton works as an academic services manager for Courseload, focusing on retention and growth at universities where the company is already established.

“Indianapolis is the perfect city for young professionals to explore, learn and develop,” Clayton said.

O’Brien said the previous Orr Fellows from Saint Mary’s have come back to campus and spoken to students about their experiences.

“Hearing about how positive their personal experiences were as Orr Fellows really drew me to the program, and helped me decide it was something I really wanted to do,” Kennedy said. Clayton said it was very important for her to reach out to fellow Belles and share her story about her exciting and rewarding experience.

“The constant exposure to new opportunities, talented community leaders and ambitious peers is what makes the Orr Fellowship so special,” Clayton said.

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**hall staff spoke about the great**

**unity the dorm had shown.**

**“We are using this tragedy as an opportunity for growth, and the**

**brotherhood that we all share will only grow stronger through**

**trial.”**

**Lindt said Metz remained in**

**the dorm through Easter week-**

**end. He said he spoke briefly**

**with Metz, who was serving his**

**third year as rector, over the**

**weekend.**

**Lindt said the residents of**

**Fisher Hall do not know what**

**prompted Metz’s resignation.**

**He said they expressed concern**

**for their former rector after re-**

**ceiving his email.**

**(The reason for Metz’s res-**

**ignation) was kept vague, and I**

**think that was good because at**

**first, we were kind of wonder-**

**ing what happened, but overall**

**most of us figured it wasn’t re-**

**ally important to know what**

**happened, just to know that**

**something did happen that**

**caused him to resign,” Lindt**

**said. “After we got the email …**

**it was just kind of disheartening**

**too.**

**“We were very sad, because**

**basically our father figure in the**

**dorm was leaving us. But after**

**we got over that initial shock, the**

**big thing that everyone was wor-**

**rying about was actually Fr. Brad**

**because we didn’t know what**

**was going on, so we wanted to be**

**as supportive as possible without**

**breaching his privacy.”**

**Fisher Hall president Erik**

**Sieger said Metz encouraged the**

**formation of a tight-knit commu-**

**nity in Fisher Hall.**

**“He may not have been in**

**Fisher Hall for a long time, but he**

**has impacted many Fishermen,”**

**Sieger said. “He was able to teach**

**patience and respect to many of**

**the residents of Fisher Hall in his**

**short time here. … I will say he**

**will be greatly missed.”**

**Sophomore Adam Rene**

**Rosenbaum said Metz’s resigna-**

**tion “came as a shock.” He said**

**he did not know what prompted**

**Metz to resign.**

**“I was completely shocked,”**

**Rosenbaum said. “I hadn’t really**

**heard of anything; this kind of**

**came out of nowhere.”**

**Rosenbaum said he and other**

**residents showed support for**

**Metz on Thursday by leaving**

**him notes and signing a Fisher**

**Hall oar to give him as a gift.**

**“He very much enabled us to have the**

**brotherhood that we have in**

**Fisher Hall.”**

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**Rector**

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Heather Rakoczky Russell, asso-**ciate vice president for residential**

life, confirmed the information in Metz’s email was accurate and**

declined to comment further on**

the matter. She said the Office of**

Student Affairs would seek and**

hire Metz’s permanent replace-**

ment through the annual search**

to fill vacant rector positions.**

“Student Affairs is currently**

engaged in the regular spring**

search to fill any anticipated va-**

cancies for the 2014 – 2015 aca-**

demic year,” she said. “I will hire**

the next Fisher rector together with all new rectors as a result of**

this regular spring search.”

Halm, a seminarian who was**

-serving his first year as a Fisher**

Hall associate rector, declined to**

commend on Metz’s resigna-**

tion. He thanked the residents for**

their concern and compas-**

sion and asked them to contin-**

ue respecting Metz’s privacy in a**

email to the hall sent Friday**

morning.

“The Congregation of Holy**

Cross, Fr. Brad’s religious com-**

munity and mine … is an incred-**

ible brotherhood and is rallying**

around Fr. Brad during these**

days of transition,” he said. “He is**

being provided with support and**

love and is also blessed to be near**

family, including his mom, in**

South Bend. Right now the best**

way our community can support**

him is to pray for him.”

Hall vice president and soph-**

omore Michael Lindt said Metz**

and Halm addressed Fisher Hall**

residents Tuesday night.

“(Metz) basically said that he**

was sorry for the circumstances**

surrounding his resignation and**

that he was proud to leave because**

we were like sons to him,” he**

said. “… After Fr. Brad’s speech,**

he left, and David Halm, the new**

**Constable**

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greatly missed.”

Constable’s focus for class-**

ses and research included “interactions between me-**

dieval Christians, Muslims and Jews; the Mediterranean**

world; economic and social**

history; the history of me-**
dieval cities and urban life;**

medieval Spain and percep-**
tions of the middle ages in**

modern novels and film,” the**

press release stated.

Fr. Brad,” Rosenbaum said. “He**

had the spirit and he established**

the sense of brotherhood that we**

pride ourselves on in Fisher. The**

fact that he’s leaving us is really**

said for our community.”

Lindt said Metz supported**

the strengthening of “a fantastic**

brotherhood” in the hall. He said**

he hoped he and other residents**

would be able to maintain a rela-**

tionship with Metz.

“The biggest legacy I think he’ll**

leave is, in a sense, he embodied**

Fisher Hall,” Lindt said. “He was**

our director, but he also had a**

very strong determination and**

desire for us to really grow in**

brotherhood and he really em-**

bodied that.

“He very much enabled us to**

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to be ‘no worse than Florida State,’ right?” Henneberger said. “This school means more to me than any other, obviously, and to see my school's campaign to discredit in misleading terms, often, this dead 19-year-old just went beyond anything I would have believed the leaders of my school possible.”

“I see other schools like Missouri, for example, or like Dartmouth, where the leadership really is saying, ‘Wow, we’ve fallen short; we must do better on this,’” she said. “All these years later, I still have not really heard that from this school. You really can’t address a problem that you don’t know you have.”

Bearly said the NCAA itself cannot investigate claims of sexual assault and does not have the authority to impose punishments based on allegations alone.

“Amateurism and academics are our jurisdiction,” he said. “Criminal law isn’t our jurisdiction,” he said.

Coccia prompted the panelists to discuss the impact and implications of Notre Dame’s Campus Crossroads project, which will add academic, athletic and extracurricular space around Notre Dame Stadium and cost an estimated $400 million. Henneberger said she was concerned with the scale of the plan and its focus on the stadium.

“I look at that proposal for the expansion of the stadium and I see an idol; I see the absolute essence of what an idol is,” she said. “I look at this thing and I think it’s a visual representation of my question about ways in which we can be overemphasizing our cult of football.”

Pat Eilers, a member of the 1988 national championship football team and a ’89 and ’90 graduate in biology and mechanical engineering, said the stadium expansion indicates the University’s focus not on football but on improving access to athletic and academic facilities for all students.

“I do think, at least what I understand they’re trying to accomplish is addressing a lot of needs — both academic and athletic needs, not just Division I collegiate athletic needs,” he said. “…If you really think about the University and how it’s self-contained as a campus and we don’t have a lot of roads and streets going through it, if you look where all that could be put, the space around the stadium is really only utilized six, seven times a year depending on how many home games we have.

I think there could be another perspective as well, which is we’re reutilizing this space on campus that is available for all these initiatives that help to benefit all of the above, both the academic and the athletic focus that the University stands for.”

Coccia asked the panelists to consider the National Labor Relations Board’s (NLRB) recent decision to consider scholarship football players at Northwestern University as employees with the potential to form a union. Henneberger said student-athletes’ demanding schedules prevent them from devoting enough time to academics.

“If they’re working a grueling full-time job, how many students doing that really could also take the most of their educational opportunities?” she said. “I think very few.”

Sperber, author of “Shake Down the Thunder: The Creation of Notre Dame Football,” said the NLRB rule that requires draftees to spend just one year in college illustrates the increasing professionalization of college sports.

“These guys are in college,” he said. “They don’t pretend to be students. In a very public, symbolic way, it says college sports on certain that level are in the entertainment business; this has got nothing to do with education.”

Eilers said he transferred to Notre Dame from Yale University because he believed in the capability of superior academic institutions to maintain strong programs for student-athletes. He said he thought Yale chose to sacrifice athletic opportunities in favor of more rigorous academics.

“I didn’t think you needed to sacrifice athletics, in particular this case football, for the pursuit of academic excellence,” he said. “…Notre Dame [also] strives for excellence in your spiritual development. I didn’t think there were many, if any, other institutions on the face of the earth that really strive for excellence in all three areas.”

Eilers said Notre Dame and other elite universities must continue to develop existing support structures for student-athletes and balance between athletics and academics across all University departments.

“I think [athletics programming] should enhance, not marginalize, the academic pursuits of the institution, and it should promote the goals and the values that are consistent with the overall institution’s goals and values,” Eilers said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

A reflection on column writing

Henry Gens

Well, it’s time for the Semester Inside Column (SIC). The SIC is a largely unedited biannual ritual for writers on the staff of this lovely paper that is loved, hated and everything in between — but always 450 words. Every writer has a different aim in this piece, and my goal here is unashamedly to just get it done. There’s nothing that I really want to get up on my soapbox about today; if that’s what you were hoping for, the fine folks over at Viewpoint do an excellent job.

Even though I’m not feeling the whole weeklong exuberance about a worthy cause, I’m still somewhat writing this column. See, for a news writer like me this is a completely different experience. In fact, it’s just about the only time I get to bluntly disregard AP style! But you just see that exclamation mark? Wow! There’s another! My writing is so much more interesting! Not only do I get to be cavalier with those adorable little punctuation marks, I can also freely abuse apostrophes, name numbers, and employ Oxford commas. This is almost forty-three percent better!

Ah, there’s so much un-styled evil in that last paragraph that I think my stomach just churned a little glancing back over it. Inducing physical illness? Not bad for a second column. See, for a news writer like me this is a completely different experience. In fact, it’s just about the only time I get to bluntly disregard AP style! But you just see that exclamation mark? Wow! There’s another! My writing is so much more interesting! Not only do I get to be cavalier with those adorable little punctuation marks, I can also freely abuse apostrophes, name numbers, and employ Oxford commas. This is almost forty-three percent better!

I, Jameson Ondrof

“I solemnly swear that I’m up to no good.”

The words used to reveal the Marauder’s Map to Harry Potter could very easily be applied to me and my experiences, as the past 12 months of traveling, experiencing new cultures and (occasionally) attending class come to an end. Between spending the summer in Jerusalem and the spring semester in London, it’s been a magical experience, and it truly is hard to put into words the impact that the two experiences have had on me. My time internationally has been like a map for my life, to extend the metaphor, as it’s allowed me to visit places of which I’ve only dreamed, meet new people and learn so much about myself and the world around me.

Studying abroad has truly been the experience of a lifetime, and, in writing a eulogy for my time abroad, it only seems appropriate to attempt to explain why everyone who takes part in Notre Dame’s international programs rave about their experience.

First, and perhaps most obviously, study abroad is enriching because of the places to which one goes. It’s not hard to explain this one, as walking through the Colosseum, taking an evening cruise on the Seine, swimming in the Sea of Galilee and climbing to the top of St. Paul’s Cathedral are all experiences that I will treasure for the rest of my life. It’s a unique privilege to be able to see the places where important moments in history have happened and experience cultures different from that of the United States, all by one’s early 20s. The places and cultures that one experiences are a key part of the study abroad experience.

Secondly, study abroad is enriching because of the people one meets, both in the program and in every-day interactions. The students of Jerusalem Summer Program 2013 and the London Spring Semester 2014 are some of the most talented, outgoing, intellectually curious and fun people that I’ve met at Notre Dame, and I certainly think that my college experience would be lacking if I had not met them. However, study abroad also affords one the opportunity to meet people outside of the programs, such as Palestinian refugees, Israeli settlers and Londoners down at the local pub. It’s the interactions with the locals through which the education really happens, where the worldview you had previously was challenged, stretched and altered by what they have to say and their life experiences.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It’s that time of year again. Spring has blossomed, and with it comes this gracious invitation to celebrate the final day of class with us, the men of St. Edward’s Hall, aboard the Mystic Blue — that’s right, it’s Yacht Dance season. Keeping the tradition of the outgoing St. Edward’s Presidents before me, I offer you the incredible opportunity to cruise the beautiful waters of Lake Michigan along the greatest skyline (and city) in the world. We will set sail on the thirtieth evening of April, during the twelfth and fourteenth year of our Lord, when showers turn to flowers at midnight. However, you must act now if you’d like to be my first mate for the festivities. By following the applicable link below (you’re welcome for the online hits, Observer); and completing the questionnaire, you will be entered for a chance to be chosen. I’d say “don’t go overboard” with your answers, but I’m sure that ship has already sailed. So just go with whatever floats your boat. Okay, in all seriousness, I’m a normal person.

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Around Europe in 120 Days

“I solemnly swear that I’m up to no good.”

The words used to reveal the Marauder’s Map to Harry Potter could very easily be applied to me and my experiences, as the past 12 months of traveling, experiencing new cultures and (occasionally) attending class come to an end. Between spending the summer in Jerusalem and the spring semester in London, it’s been a magical experience, and it truly is hard to put into words the impact that the two experiences have had on me. My time internationally has been like a map for my life, to extend the metaphor, as it’s allowed me to visit places of which I’ve only dreamed, meet new people and learn so much about myself and the world around me. Studying abroad has truly been the experience of a lifetime, and, in writing a eulogy for my time abroad, it only seems appropriate to attempt to explain why everyone who takes part in Notre Dame’s international programs rave about their experience.

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Running Boston is the dream of every long distance runner and I was lucky enough to get a bib number last year for the 117th Boston Marathon. I flew home to Providence with my best friend, Colleen, for the weekend. My two sisters, Grace and Molly, and my mom also met me there to be my support team.

At Saturday evening Mass two days before the race, my priest at home delivered a homily about love. He emphasized the distinction between love and agape love. He described agape love as “being willing to sacrifice your life for someone else.” Agape love is completely voluntary and unconditional in the truest sense of the word. As I sat in Mass two days before the Boston Marathon, unaware of the situation I would soon experience, I looked down the pew. I saw my mom, my dad, my two sisters and my best friend. As I looked at each of them, I could honestly say that I loved them in such a way that I would be willing to give my life for them. I never imagined that less than 48 hours later, what seemed to be a purely hypothetical situation would become more real to me than ever before.

When I got to the start line, the whole atmosphere was surreal. I was excited, anxious, nervous, and a little scared. I had trained well and I finished the marathon in three hours and 31 minutes, just at my goal time. I could not stop smiling. I enjoyed every mile; they weren’t all easy — especially the last few — but every one was worth it. There’s something about accomplishing a feat that wipes your memory of the pain associated with it and, instead, overwhelms it, leaving the lasting impression.

I found my mom, Molly, Grace and Colleen a few minutes after I finished and was bombarded with hugs and pictures. Their love and pride was tangible, and I can’t describe the elation and happiness shared between all five of us.

After basking in celebration, I got in the car with my mom and Molly to go home. Grace and Colleen walked to their car, just about a block from the finish line. We were already on the highway when we got a call from Grace. She explained that they were all right, but they had run as far away as they could from Copley Square where they heard and felt two big explosions. They were looking for a safe place to wait until they could see if there were any more. They were trying to remain calm, but I could hear her voice falter and waver as she spoke. I let my head drop into my lap and I began to shake. I was scared. I was scared because my big sister was scared. I was scared because two of the people I love most were in a dangerous place.

My body was so exhausted from running that when I started to cry, I couldn’t stop. My mom tried to console me. She kept saying, “It’s okay. They are okay. We are going to get them.” I let her say it a few times before I was finally able to get out, “Yes, but someone else isn’t.”

I couldn’t help but let my mind wander to the “what ifs.” I knew that there was no point in going through them, but I couldn’t help it. The biggest hypothetical that I couldn’t shake was the possibility of Grace and Colleen being among the victims who suffered injury, or even worse, death. I don’t think a day of my life would ever be the same if anything had happened to them. I couldn’t help but feel angry, as well. It was selfish, but this was my day. This was supposed to be a day about my accomplishment and the culmination of all the blood, sweat and tears I had endured. I was supposed to be celebrating with my family and friends, but instead, it was a tragic day in which three people lost their lives, hundreds were injured and thousands were emotionally scarred.

When we picked up Grace and Colleen instead of sitting with my dad, I just sobbed harder. I was sobbing because I was relieved, but I couldn’t stop. We made it home and I felt apart again when I saw my dad. When I looked around, I saw five different people than I had seen in the pew at church two days earlier. Over the course of the day, I had felt feelings I had never had before, but the strongest feeling between the six of us was that of agape love.

I recently read a reflection on agape love by Dr. Chris Anthony in “Catholic Online.” Dr. Anthony speaks of God’s agape love — love that is “divine, unconditional, self-sacrificing, active, volatile and thoughtful” — in the context of Holy Week. He calls to our attention the act of humility and love of Jesus washing the disciples’ feet and the ultimate sacrifice of death on the cross on Good Friday. Jesus embodies the definition of agape love.

When I crossed the finish line on Boylston Street in Boston, I was received by four of the most important people in my life, people for whom I would give up my life and who I know would do the same for me. I was given the opportunity to discover just how deep, involuntary and unconditional my love was and others’ love was for me.

As we celebrate the Easter season and reflect on the Triduum, we see the most obvious display of agape love when Jesus dies on the cross for us. As we remember the victims of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings, we grieve for those who suffered death, physical injury and emotional harm. But as John reminds us in his gospel, “Light shines in darkness, and darkness could not overpower it.” Powered by this light, let us strive to show agape love to all those around us.
In life, there are a lot of things that are pretty good. Paintings in a museum that you like but won’t really remember, because they’re just pretty good. Meals that you gulp down, not stopping to remark “Mmm” or “Wow, that’s tasty” because their pretty-goodness simply doesn't warrant it. People that you cheerfully greet at the dining hall but would never think to text because they’re just pretty-good friends.

As a critic, I naturally associate adjectives of quality — bad, average, good, amazing — with ratings out of five. The pretty-good is a solid 3.5/5: a rather respectable, yet wholly unremarkable, rating. For all my life, I’ve thought that of course, obviously, the 3.5s of life are able, yet wholly unremarkable, rating. For all my life, there are a lot of things that are pretty good. 

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The importance of pretty-good days is pretty straightforward, even obvious. They form the carefree “good days” we find ourselves reminiscing about later in life. However, the concept of the 3.5s importance stretches to perhaps the most unlikely category of all: art. It’s true that critics spend a lot of times traversing a sea of music in search for the next modern classic, trying to skip to a favorite song on the universal iPod. On a social level, trying to find the best song for a given situation or the perfect track to put on a mixtape is an exhilarating, high-stakes process.

However, the idea of playing or finding quality music can make a situation needlessly stressful. Will everyone appreciate the artistic value of what you’re trying to display? Will your friends connect with the music as deeply as you do, or will they just chat away unaware of a message you’re trying to send? Or if you’re on your own, you can find yourself torn between trying to fully appreciate a loved record and simply sitting back and enjoying life.

That’s when the 3.5 nudges your arm. It’s no big shot, just a pretty-good record you’re in the mood to listen to. It floats inoffensively in the background, filling the air with friendly melodies and soft rhythms. It doesn’t interrupt or plead for attention or exert any sense of self-importance. It’s background music, but it’s your background music. It’s just a pretty good record, a 3.5 album for the vast amount of 3.5 moments in our lives.

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**MILEY WRECKS FANS WITH CANCELLED BANGERZ SHOWS**

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"And we can’t stop and we won’t stop..."

Lies.

Contrary to her well-known lyrics, Miley Cyrus can and did stop. The rest of her "Bangerz" tour was postponed until August due to her hospitalization for a severe allergic reaction.

I was supposed to see Miley Cyrus in Louisville during Easter break, but my hopes and dreams of seeing her fly in on a hotdog were burnt to oblivion by a tweet and a few sad cat emojis.

“Can’t quit crying [sad cat emoji]. I wanna go back on tour. im meant to be on stage performing for y’all...not laying in a hospital bed [sad cat emoji].” Cyrus tweeted.

The news hit me like a wrecking ball, and I proceeded to lose it. After some dramatics, which involved mourning the lost opportunity to wear my teddy bear clothes, having the best day? we spend so much time trying to fully appreciate a loved record and simply sitting back and enjoying life.

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Though it’s not as simple as “Cats,” one could certainly try to make the case that Andrew Lloyd Webber is, in fact, not a god. We’re talking as mortal, as English and as prone to illness as the next bloke. However, God owes Sir Webber some thanks for giving His Son and His Word an unmatched vibrancy and angst only experienced through the wailing of a rock and roll opera.

If not for Webber’s collaboration (pre-Phantom) with lyricist Tim Rice (pre-Disney Renaissance) at the dawn of the pivot of change, the only religiously affiliated music with which the world was familiar would be church hymns. Not to say that those can’t get a crowd going, but the point is that no one really associated the “great hymns” with upbeat electric guitars, hip beats and rad tunes. To put a pun to pen, thank God for “Jesus Christ Superstar.”

It’s edgy. It’s misguided. It’s for the “nobody understands me” parish in youth group. It’s full of angst, brooding, sweat, blood and tears. Did I mention the mortal Mr. Andrew Lloyd Webber composed the music? Quite honestly, this is the most untraditional, un-show-tune-y score of his entire career, largely in part to the jam sessions of well-known rock musicians Neil Hubbard, Chris Spedding, Alun Garner and Bruce Rowland. Credit must also be given to the lead vocalists. Before this concept was a show, it was an album featuring Ian Gillian, lead singer of Deep Purple, as Jesus and Murray Head as Judas Iscariot.

So let me drop the beat for those of you who don’t know this “rock God.” An unorthodox Jesus Christ is not so much the Son of God as much as the antihero causing quite a buzz among a lost people (get ready for the cries of “Blasphemy!”). Beginning on Palm Sunday, the show opens with a regular guy everybody calls Jesus of Nazareth, even just Christ, who walks, dances, pretty much shows up in Jerusalem glowing with “superstar” quality. Who is he, what has he sacrificed and why is this group of shaggy, long-haired and barefoot disciples behind him so musically inclined? Are they his backup dancers or something?

Just ask your parents, grandparents or anyone who listened to vinyl during the 1970s, and they could more likely recount a more personable experience concerning the album’s controversy than any Internet source I scouring following my surge of fascination. Upon listening to my mom’s workout playlist (out of pure curiosity), last year, I shuffled to one of the album’s opening tracks titled, “Heaven On Their Minds.” You would probably never consider that the Gospels could be interpreted, stretched and taken to such extended liberties until you realize the depth, fear and concern behind Judas’s character.

Jesus may be the title role, but Judas is the show’s true protagonist. His complexion is as notable as Christ’s, if not more intriguing. However, consider how much we really, historically, know about him. His political and interpersonal disagreements with Christ seen onstage are nowhere in the Bible.Aside from a few very vague biblical descriptions, next to no light is ever shed upon his motives for handing over Jesus to the Romans nor the swarming distress that screeches in his ears after doing so, one of the reasons he is a paramount figure in this production.

Until the album’s release, Judas was always the bad guy in every medium of art and interpretation of the Passion. Even since, no other concept or rendering has delved as deep or placed as much emphasis on him as “Superstar.” Believe me, if I ever had the chance for the roles Jesus and Judas in the musical, I’d be secretly praying to get the latter (and not just because Judas sings the title song, though he has some of the best solos). He also experiences an uncomfortably real 21st-century breakdown, subsequently cutting his stage time a little bit shorter than Christ’s by committing suicide before returning as an angel (in this case not “damned for all time”) to sing “Superstar” before the Crucifixion.

One more thing: The Resurrection is not included. Perhaps the most controversial element of the show, the fact that the Resurrection is excluded instills a free interpretation for all audiences. Rice made an interesting comment in Life magazine about the characterization of Christ that parallels this ideology.

“It happens that we don’t see Christ as God but simply the right man at the right time at the right place.” “Heresy!” cried the adults. “Jesus was in Black Sabbath?” asked the kids. Obviously, this concept invites listeners and audiencess to freely interpret the unsung layers of Jesus’s, Judas’s and Mary’s psyches. Modern language is prevalent throughout the lyrics, and present-day postures contrast with allusions of biblical dress and contemporary sensibilities.

Whether mediated as an alternative to a Lenten preparation or used to combat your traditional religious narrative, “Jesus Christ Superstar” is for the soul of both the religiously and morally lost who seek the comfort of a familiar story rerouted to feel slightly modernized and rebellious.

The youth who want to know a less stained-glass-window-image of Jesus desire a personal intimacy with Christ as much as the hippies who shout and proclaim so in song and dance, “Christ, you know I love you /Did you see I waved /I believe in you and God, so tell that I’m saved /Jesus, I am with you /Touch me, touch me, Jesus /Jesus, I am on your side /Kiss me, kiss me, Jesus!”

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In the midst of the long weekend was an annual holiday less recognized but still celebrated in full force by a handful of local businesses. Record Store Day (RSD) was celebrated by local record stores, audiophile and vinyl-heads on its annual day, April 19.

RSD was created in 2007 by independent record store owners to spur an interest in the culture of record stores. In its nascence, a handful of record stores began participating in the day long event, but RSD has grown to include thou-sands of participating independent stores around the world.

The day includes collaborations between organizers, producers, artists and participating stores, featuring events and performances. The big draw, however, for RSD lies in the exclusive releases. Releasing records in the thousands or sometimes only hundreds makes for a vinyl-collector’s dream—or nightmare, if they can’t get to the much-hyped sale in time.

This year, participating stores were sent new releases of “special” singles and LPs from hundreds of artists, old and new. Some high demand records were pressed and sent in small quantities, including music ranging from Action Bronson to David Bowie. Some albums had only a few copies pressed and sent to a select number of stores. Among these were compelling compilations from various artists, like “Faux Real,” a collection of fake songs covered by real bands.

Luckily, other records were more readily available, with RSD marking the beginning of their release, including the highly-anticipated recording of LCD Soundsystem’s final concert and the early release of Pixies’ first album in 23 years, “Indie Cindy,” out next week. But while the Pixies LP is due out those lucky enough to get the album early were surprised with a Record Store Day exclusive 7-inch single.

Among participating vendors were two record stores around Notre Dame, and students who spent their Easter break under the South Bend sun got a taste of RSD just outside of campus.

Orbit Music in Mishawaka, Ind., was one of the participating stores, and along with a table of food and plenty of decorations to celebrate the day, offered a collection of exclusive releases that went quickly. By 4 p.m., most Record Store Day exclusives were long gone, but with special deals on all music in the spirit of the holiday, even those who walked away without a coveted Cherches 7-inch single left full-handed. Another participating store, Michiana Used Music and Media had an ample amount Record Store Day exclusive releases. Early risers came in to find glow-in-the-dark “Ghostbusters” soundtrack on vinyl as well as Nirvana and OutKast releases.

Those lucky (or admirably determined) enough to score one of these exclusive RSD releases could be making a pret-ty penny from their findings on eBay—a concern of store owners and employees, as the act surely goes against the spirit of RSD—but plenty of audiophiles around the world and in South Bend are enjoying their records and looking back fondly on a celebration of community, local business and, of course, music. If only there were a few more records to go around.

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American runner wins 118th Boston Marathon

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A year ago, an injured Meb Keflezighi watched the Boston Marathon from the stands at the finish line on Boylston Street, leaving five minutes before the bombs went off.

On Monday, with tens of thousands of spectators cheering wildly for him, the 36-year-old who emigrated from Eritrea as a child became the first U.S. man to win the race in 31 years.

“They’re saying, ‘You can pull this off. Go Meb! Go Meb!’,” he said. “I was using that as energy. I had the (names of the) four people that passed away on my bib. Like me, they were spectators. I was a spectator. I had them on my bib number. They helped me carry through.”

Keflezighi, running just two weeks before his 39th birthday, added Boston to a resume that includes the New York City Marathon title in 2009 and a silver medal in the 2004 Olympics. Keflezighi completed the 26.2 miles from Hopkinton to the finish on Boylston Street in Boston’s Back Bay on Monday in a personal-best 2 hours, 8 minutes, 37 seconds. He held off Kenya’s Wilson Chebet, who finished 11 seconds behind. Frankline Chepkwony of Kenya was third in 2:13:13 seconds back.

Keflezighi went out early and built a big lead. But he was looking over his shoulder several times as Chebet and Chepkwony closed the gap over the final two miles. After realizing he wouldn’t be caught, Keflezighi raised his sunglasses, began pumping his right fist and made the sign of the cross. He threw his arms in the air and broke into tears after crossing the finish line, then draped himself in the American flag.

“Toward the end, to be honest I was a little nervous,” he said. “I was saying save something for the end.”

No U.S. runner had won the race since Lisa Larsen- Weidenbach took the women’s title in 1985; the last American man to win was Greg Meyer in 1983. Meyer and Keflezighi embraced after the race.

“I’m honored to be an American and God Bless America and God Bless Boston for this special day,” Keflezighi said.

Rita Jeptoo of Kenya successfully defended the women’s title she said she could not enjoy a year ago. Jeptoo finished in a course-record 2 hours, 18 minutes, 57 seconds. She is a three-time Boston Marathon champion, having also won in 2006.

“I came here to support the people in Boston and show them that we are here together,” she said. “I decided to support them and show them we are here together.”

Jeptoo broke away from a group of five runners at the 23-mile mark. Buzunesh Deba of Ethiopia finished second in 2:19:59. Countrywoman Mare Dibaba was third in 2:19:52. All three women came in under the previous course record.

American Shalane Flanagan, who went to high school in nearby Marblehead, Mass., finished seventh after leading for more than 20 miles of the race. She gambled by setting the early pace, but fell back on the Newton Hills about 21 miles into the race.

“It does mean a lot to be that my city was proud of me,” she said. “I’m proud of how I ran. I don’t wish I was it easier. I wish I was better.”

After breaking a 27-year American drought at the New York marathon, Keflezighi contemplated retiring after the 2012 NYC Marathon. But that race was canceled because of Superstorm Sandy, and he pulled out of the Boston Marathon last April because of injury.

He was the first American to win a medal in an Olympic marathon since Frank Shorter won gold in 1972 and silver in 1976. His 2009 New York victory broke a 27-year American drought that he had inspired, he said, by another former American champion.

“I’ve been reading Bill Rodgers’ book, ‘Marathon man,’” he said. “I just visualizing this moment for me personally.”

Another American, Tatyana McFadden, celebrated her 25th birthday Monday by winning the women’s wheelchair race for the second straight year. She was timed in 1 hour, 35 minutes, 6 seconds.

McFadden was born in Russia and lived in an orphanage as a child before starring at the University of Illinois. She also won the 2011 New York Marathon women’s wheelchair race after taking the titles in Boston, London and Chicago last year.

Ernst van Dyk of South Africa won the men’s wheelchair division for a record 10th time. The 41-year-old crossed the finish line in 1 hour, 20 minutes, 36 seconds.

Van Dyk holds the record for most all-categories Boston Marathon wins. This was his first win at this race since 2009.

Last year’s men’s champion, Lelisa Desisa, did not finish this year’s race, and neither did he pick up and run van about 21 miles into the event.

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Men, women finish in top three

By MATT GARCIA
Sports Writer

The Irish made a strong case that they belong in the ACC after a powerful showing at Notre Dame's first outdoor ACC championships. The men placed third overall, while the women took home second place. Florida State claimed first in both the men's and women's divisions.

The Notre Dame women had an impressive weekend, led by junior Jade Barber, who claimed two ACC victories. Barber took home the gold in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 12.98, making her the first outdoor ACC champion for the Irish. Her time is the fifth best in the country for that event.

Along with Barber, senior Michelle Brown, junior Amber Lalla, and sophomore Margaret Bamgbose won the 4x400-meter relay with a time of 3:33.70.

On the men's side, graduate student Nick Happe won the 5,000-meter run with a time of 14:01.15, beating his indoor ACC championship-winning time of 14:03.92. Happe also finished third in the finals of the 1,500-meter with a time of 3:50.83 after taking first in the preliminary race.

Senior Pat Feeney picked up three top-five finishes, placing fourth in the 400-meter, second in the 4x100-meter relay and fourth in the 4x400-meter relay. Junior Chris Giesting matched that total with a fifth-place finish in the 200-meter, while competing on the same 4x100-meter and 4x400-meter relay teams as Feeney.

Freshman sprinter Harvey Smith said Feeney and Giesting helped the team by running multiple races.

"Everyone is still kind of tired; [we're] getting our legs back from the ACC," Smith said. "It takes a lot to fully get back to the way we were before. But, we are going to go to the Drake Relays this weekend and lower our times in the relays."

With the NCAA Championships still over a month away, the Irish will shift gears from the national stage to the Drake Relays, which begin Thursday in Des Moines, Iowa.

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Irish close season with tough win over Orange

By ZACH KLONSINSKI
Sports Writer

Notre Dame closed its inaugural year in the ACC with a victory over the Orange in Syracuse, N.Y., on Saturday. The Irish (15-8, 8-6 ACC) defeated the Orange (5-14, 5-9 ACC) by a score of 4-3 to clinch a winning conference record and the seventh seed for the 15-team ACC tournament.

“We knew it was going to be a tough match at their place,” Irish coach Jay Louderback said. “It was a good match by our team. … It was really nice to win the last one going into the tournament.”

The doubles point set the tone for the rest of the match as each side earned one doubles win, with Notre Dame’s senior duo of Jennifer Kellner and Julie Sabacinski defeating the Orange’s freshman pairing of Rhianann Newhorn and Olivia Messineo, 8-5. After senior Britney Sanders and sophomore Quinn Gleason fell at No. 1 doubles, the Irish turned to their newest doubles team, freshman Mary Closs and junior Molly O’Koniewski. The pair found themselves down 4-0 early in the match, but battled back and eventually defeated Syracuse juniors Amanda Rodgers and Komal Safdar, 8-6.

“Our [position] three doubles did a great job,” Louderback said. “They were down 4-0 but they didn’t lose their heads, kept their composure and battled back to give us the point, which ended up being huge for us.”

The back-and-forth continued as the match moved into singles play, with the sides splitting the six matches. Sanders and Gleason rebounded from the doubles loss to each claim a point for the Irish, as Gleason defeated Rodgers 6-2, 6-1, and Sanders trumped Syracuse senior Maddie Kobelt 6-3, 7-6 (4-2).

“As has been the case all season, the Irish’s depth proved to be a difference-maker, as sophomore Julie Vrabel clinched the match for the Irish with her 6-2, 7-6 (3-0) win over Safdar in the final singles position.”

“Obviously it’s a great way to finish with a bunch of wins,” Louderback said. “We’re really excited to play in the tournament with how we’ve been playing.”

The Irish went on a seven-match winning streak to finish the season, outscoring their opponents by a combined 45-4. Notre Dame has also won 10 of its last 12, but most of the wins have come against the bottom half of the ACC. Heading into the conference tournament, the seventh-seeded Irish have beaten every team seeded below them but lost to every team seeded above them. However, as Louderback pointed out, most of those matches came much earlier in the year, and he feels his team’s play has improved greatly since then.

“We’ve gotten better from even the middle of the season, especially our doubles,” Louderback said. “Our [position] three doubles have gotten so much better, we’ve been working hard. … That’s been the biggest difference between the two halves of ACC play is our doubles.”

The ACC is one of the deepest conferences in the country: according to the latest polls, the conference boasts four of the top 12 and seven of the top 27 teams in the country. No. 5 Duke, last week’s first-ranked team nationally, is only the fifth seed in the ACC tournament; No. 11 North Carolina earned the top seed. With such a large number of quality teams in the conference, Louderback knows the Irish have to play well in every match in order to keep their ACC season alive.

The Irish play the winner of 10th-seeded Boston College (13-8, 5-6 ACC) and 15th-seeded Pittsburgh (4-14, 0-14 ACC) on Thursday. Although Notre Dame has beaten both teams earlier this year, Louderback knows either team could pose a challenge.

“We practice later on Wednesday, so we’ll know who we are playing,” Louderback said. “We’d love to get another shot at some of those other teams, but we have to focus on this one first. We beat Pitt here and won a tight one at BC before that. … We could play really well or not well and then we’re done. But we’ll have no trouble focusing on our first game.”

The Irish will take on the winner of the match between Boston College and Pittsburgh on Thursday at noon in Cary, N.C.

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Irish freshman Mary Closs follows through after a shot against Indiana on Feb. 2 at Eck Tennis Pavilion. The Irish won the match 4-3.
Irish finished tied for fifth at ACC championships

By RENEE GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

The Irish finished in a tie for fifth in their first-ever ACC Championship tournament at Sedgefield Country Club in Greensboro, N.C., this past weekend, finishing above several highly ranked teams including No. 12 Clemson, No. 17 Wake Forest and No. 25 Florida State.

Notre Dame staged a comeback after entering the final day of competition in seventh place. The Irish were able to score 236 in the third round after scoring 306 and 303 in the first two, adding up to a final tally of 905.

“We were looking for a top-five finish,” Irish coach Susan Holt said. “We were the ninth seed going into this tournament, building to be a better team than that, and we know that. I was really proud of how they played. We were looking to make the post-season, and we beat out several teams in the top 25, so I was pleased with that.”

No. 3 Duke took first at the tournament, followed by No. 23 Virginia, No. 17 Wake Forest and No. 25 Florida State.

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“A tough one, one that we packaged up relatively nicely and gave to them,” Irish coach Mike McGlynn said.

The Hurricanes trailed the Irish 2-1 entering the ninth but scored two runs to walk off. Freshman right fielder Will Kyle Abreuled off the frame by reaching on an error by Irish freshman shortstop Kyle Fiala, who was making his first start at the position.

“He had a little bit more time than he probably thought of and he didn’t need to come up and get rid of the ball the way that he did there,” Aoki said.

Hurricanes catcher Zack Collins followed with a triple off the right-field wall as two Irish outfielders collided on the warning track.

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On Sunday, a great play from junior third baseman Phil Mosey preserved a 1-0 lead and sparked Notre Dame to a series-winning 7-4 win over Miami.

“If I’m fair, that’s a fun thing to walk through, momentum’s really on their side, so I think that was a good shift right there,”

Mosey said.

The win was Notre Dame’s first-ever ACC road victory and snapped Miami’s nation-leading 14-game winning streak. Miami’s loss also snapped its program-record 10-game conference winning streak.

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ND earns dominant win over Boston College

By RENEE GRIFFIN
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In their final match of their regular season, the No. 13 Irish made quick work of ACC opponent Boston College, coming away with a 7-0 sweep.

Senior Greg Andrews and freshman Josh Hagar won their doubles match 8-5, and sophomores Alex Lawson and Quentin Monaghan finished on top as well by a score of 8-0, putting the Eagles (6-15, 0-11 ACC) in a big hole in the early-going.

The Irish (18-8, 7-4 ACC) secured the victory in the singles matches without surrendering any sets to Boston College. Andrews, ranked No. 23 nationally in singles, defeated Eagle junior Philip Nelson; Monaghan took down senior Jonathan Raudes and Hagar beat out freshman Hank Workman. The rout continued as freshman Eddy Covalski, sophomore Eric Schnurrenberger and junior Wyatt McCoy triumphed in their matches too.

“We played a good match,” Irish coach Ryan Sachire said. “Obviously getting a 7-0 ACC win is nice. Our guys played hard and played well. We’ve got a lot of momentum heading into the ACC tournament.”

Sachire praised some of the less experienced players in particular for their performances against Boston College and over the past few weeks.

“Honestly the play of our younger guys was huge,” Sachire said. “We’ve got three first-year guys: our two freshmen Josh Hagar and Eddy Covalski, plus Eric Schnurrenberger who’s a sophomore but didn’t play last year. Those three guys have really come into their own and are on winning streaks. They’ve really been dominating the bottom of the lineup.”

The Irish didn’t make many mistakes in the one-sided match, but Sachire said the team will still work to improve and go into the post-season with confidence.

“In a 7-0 win, it’s hard to find any really big problems, but we’ll keep working on the doubles matches and make sure that’s a strong weapon to have moving forward in the tournament this weekend,” Sachire said. “Again, we’re feeling pretty good about ourselves. We’ve won decisively in our last three ACC matches. Whoever we play will be a tough opponent, but I think we’ve got a really good chance.”

Next for the Irish is the ACC Championships in Cary, N.C., starting Thursday.

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Irish freshman Josh Hagar delivers a forehand against Ohio State on Feb. 2 at Eck Tennis Pavilion. Hagar won his doubles match Saturday.
M Lacrosse

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“You can’t lose face-offs 20-4 and win very many games,” Corrigan said. “They had a face-off guy who kicked our butt. That’s not our doing, but there are ways that we can do a better job as a team to counteract that. We need to do a better job facing off as a team, and we’ve got to do a better job turning our stops into possessions by clearing the ball effectively, and we’ve got to a better job making sure we don’t give away many goals.”

The Irish went down early on in the contest, giving up six first-half goals while scoring three times. Sophomore attacker Matt Kavanagh, who leads the Irish in points, chipped in as Matt Kavanagh, who leads the all-American senior attackman Mike Chanenchuk, who tallied four straight to Notre Dame, then pulled away with nine minutes to go to secure the victory.

“We felt like Conor’s been playing well lately,” Corrigan said. “At the end of the day, we’re looking for a spark from the goalie position.”

The Irish and the Terrapins square off for the second time in March 1 and faced 40 shots from the Terrapins, making 14 saves, a season high. of those shots, 24 came in the second half. The Terrapins went up 8-4, gave up a fast-breaking goal to Notre Dame, then pulled away with nine minutes to go to secure the victory.

“We’ve got a bunch of guys who can score and have scored,” Corrigan said. “We have great depth and we scored eight goals and probably had the ball for about a third of the game at most. The production offensively wasn’t bad, but you have to have the ball to score goals.”

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You are sociable, popular and adaptable. You are sensitive, intuitive and creative.

**JUMBLE | DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK**

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

**USKNT**
**LHOLY**
**SINVHA**
**GOBNX**

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Saturday’s Jumbles: WHEAT CHAIR INDUCT GROCER

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In the final ACC game of the regular season for both teams, No. 9 Notre Dame surrendered four unanswered goals in the final quarter to give No. 5/7 Maryland the 12-8 win and the regular season conference crown at Arlotta Stadium on Saturday. The Irish (6-5, 2-3 ACC) and the Terrapins (10-2, 4-1) both entered the game guaranteed the first and fourth seeds in the ACC tournament semifinals, respectively, meaning that the two teams will play each other again Friday in Chester, Pa. Moving forward, the Irish will need to control the flow of the game better Friday, Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said.

"We actually played good defense and didn't do a bad job offensively of taking advantage of our opportunities," Corrigan said. "The big thing is we just didn't have the ball." The Irish lost 20 of 24 face-off opportunities and collected 10 less groundballs than the Terrapins (31-21). Senior Liam O'Connor and junior Nick Oscello split face-off duties against Maryland junior midfielder Charlie Raffa, who ranks third in the nation in faceoff percentage.

At the plate, the Irish offense manufactured runs. Freshman left fielder Karley Wester led off the first inning with an infield single, then was moved over to third on a sacrifice bunt and another infield single, before being knocked in on an RBI groundout by Irish junior third baseman Katey Haus to make the score 1-0. After the Wolfpack tied the game in the fourth inning, the Irishsqueezed in another run in the fifth inning, Irish junior catcher Cassidy Whidden reached safely on an infield single, senior shortstop Chloe Saganowich reached on a bunt, and senior right fielder Lauren Stuhm moved them both into scoring position with a sacrifice.