Campus hosts local eateries

International Taste of South Bend showcases diverse food options

By MARGARET HYNDS

Eleven South Bend-based international restaurants brought samples from their menus to the LaFortune Ballroom for the annual International Taste of South Bend hosted by International Student and Scholar Affairs (ISSA). The event, hosted on Wednesday evening, was free and open to the public, drawing undergraduates, graduate students, professors, families and South Bend residents together.

By 6:30, the line stretched from the LaFortune Ballroom on the second floor down the stairs to the entrance to the Huddle Mart. By the time they reached the front of the line, juniors Grace Rudnik, Jordan Leniart and Claire Wiley said they waited for 45 minutes for their chance to eat. Participating restaurants included Aladdin’s Eatery, Cinco International, Elia’s Mediterranean Cuisine, Ichiban Golden Dragon, Mango Café, Satay House, Soho Japanese Bistro, Weiss Gasthaus, Zing Japanese Fusion, the Spot and Fiesta Tapatía. Each restaurant donated the food that it served.

Two of the participating restaurants opened in the last few weeks — the Spot and Cinco International. The Spot employee Melanie

An employee of Weiss Gasthaus serves samples of the restaurant’s specialties in LaFortune Ballroom on Wednesday evening.

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SMC student, alumna duo receive scholarships

By KATE KULWICKI

In its 25th year, the Realizing the Dream Program awarded Saint Mary’s student, sophomore Maranda Pennington, with a $2,500 scholarship, funded by Lilly Endowment Inc.

The Realizing the Dream Program seeks out first-generation college students enrolled in an institution of Independent Colleges of Indiana and acknowledges overall outstanding achievements in a student’s freshman year. Pennington was nominated by Saint Mary’s and received the award November 1st at the Realizing the Dream banquet in Indianapolis, Ind.

Pennington’s scholarship will go towards her tuition as she pursues a degree in nursing.

“Having my hard work recognized through this award means so much to me,” Pennington said. “It makes all the time I’m putting in to reach my goals worthwhile.”

Along with receiving her scholarship, Pennington was asked to nominate a secondary teacher who influenced her decision to attend college, she said. For Pennington, this teacher was Saint Mary’s alumna, Jennifer Hardebeck Luce, class of ’96. Luce was presented with a Professional Development Grant of $1,000 as her award for nomination.

Pennington said Luce became her greatest mentor after she had Luce as her Spanish teacher in middle school.

“Her support and guidance have been a driving force in my personal and academic success,” Pennington said.

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Lecture explores WWI occupations

By PETER DURBIN

On Wednesday, the Nanovic Institute for European Studies continued its lecture series on World War I, celebrating the Great War’s 100-year anniversary. Dr. Jonathan Gumz, lecturer of modern history at the University of Birmingham, presented a lecture titled, “Violence, Military Occupation and the First World War: Rethinking Paradigms” in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum of Art.

Gumz’s presentation focused on reasons why occupation in World War I has been forgotten until recently in world history.

Gumz highlighted how although history tends to view occupations as violent and lengthy ordeals, the period of violence is rather muted in the grand scheme of an occupation.

“Occupation in the First World War tends to black out the presence of occupation under the National Socialist Party was so searing that occupation in the First World War disappeared,” Gumz discussed how the history of World War I typically focuses on the Western Front rather than the Eastern Front, where occupation was more rampant.

“The historiography of WWI looks at the Western Front, where less occupation occurred,” he said “The historiography focused on trench warfare and the home front.”

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Panel analyzes India’s elections

On Wednesday, Saint Mary’s hosted a panel on the 2014 elections in India as part of International Education Week, sponsored by the Center for Women’s Intercultural Leadership (CWIL) and the department of political science. The panel was called “India 2014: Assessing the Elections and Beyond.”

Contributing to the panel were four presenters, including Srishti

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QUESTION OF THE DAY:
Where do the ND squirrels go in the winter?

Megan Lohr
senior
Hall
“Nowhere, they love the snow.”

Katie Taylor
junior
Lyons Hall
“Hopefully your dorm.”

Enrique Marquez
junior
Zahn Hall
“Zahn house.”

Theresa Smart
graduate student
off-campus
“I feel like they all just huddle underground somewhere.”

Jordan Dorney
graduate student
Fisher Hall
“Plato’s cave.”

Jack Burkart
senior
off-campus
“They fly south for the winter.”
By JESSICA MERDES
News Writer

Student Senate met Wednesday evening to discuss the upcoming renovations of Hesburgh Library. Hesburgh librarians Jessica Kayongo and Diane Walker presented the multi-phase renovation plan to the group and took questions from the Senate members.

The first phase of the renovation will begin over Christmas break, and will involve the gallery that goes through the middle of the library on the first and second floors. According to Kayongo, the biggest change in the gallery will be openings in the ceiling between the first and second floors.

“We want to establish a visual connection between the floors to help people find their way around as well as pull more natural light into these spaces,” Kayongo said.

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As the renovations continue, students will be able to look on the renovation website and receive alerts so they will be able to plan accordingly. The renovation alerts will let students know whether there is disruptive construction going on.

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SENATE

Nativity scenes display cross-cultural traditions

By CATHERINE OWERS
News Writer

An exhibition of thirty Christmas nativity scenes, crèches, from around the world will be on display from Nov. 19 through Jan. 31. This special collection is the result of a collaboration with窑ongo, the biggest change in the gallery will be openings in the ceiling between the first and second floors. According to Kayongo, the biggest change in the gallery will be openings in the ceiling between the first and second floors.

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ND Dance Company presents Winter Showcase

By KAYLA MULLEN
News Writer

The Notre Dame Dance Company will bring winter to Washington Hall on Thursday and Friday night, as part of its annual Winter Showcase.

The Winter Showcase takes the student dancers the entire semester to prepare, Doré said.

“The ND Dance Company is a completely student-run dance group on campus,” Maura Doré, public relations officer for the Dance Company, said. “It serves as an outlet for dancers from Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross, and consists of the Blue Company (advanced level) and Gold Company (intermediate level). Auditions are held at the beginning of each semester.”

Over 100 dancers will be performing at the showcase, Emma Lyons, secretary of the Dance Company, said. All dances are choreographed by students.

“The dances are picked by the company’s vote, and each choreographer shows a preview of their dance at the company meeting at the start of the semester. I know that we have worked hard on all semester, a chance to show off our talented dancers and choreographers,” Lyons said.

The showcase serves as a way for the dancers to display their hard work. Doré said.

“It is truly an amazing representation of the talent on campus. It is the time when we get to show off what we have worked so hard for all semester.”

Maura Doré
public relations officer
Notre Dame Dance Company

Belles for Fitness promotes proper exercising

By LIZZIE CUSICK
News Writer

Belles for Fitness offers students an opportunity to get in shape, giving participants a combination of health and fitness training along with instilling a motivation to go to the gym.

“I started this program years ago when I would notice girls working out for hours at a time the two weeks leading up to spring break,” Van Schoyck Clark said. “I decided we needed to do something to help the girls get into shape safely over six weeks instead of two. This program has been so popular that we decided to also add two sessions in the fall to our intramural program.”

Matuszak said she is motivated to help others reach their goals.

“I had a lot of interest in starting a club based on a healthy active life,” Matuszak said. “I want everyone to feel the way that I do about health and fitness because it creates such a happy life.”

Matuszak said the club’s bottom line is the importance of being healthy.

“I will be holding weekly events that teach the importance of eating healthy and exercising with weights, resistance, cardio, as well as flexibility to leave you feeling energized and self-confident,” Matuszak said. “In an effort to create healthy happy and active lives, Bridgette and I are excited to continue Belles for Fitness.”

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Agnihotri, a graduate student in International Human Rights Law at Notre Dame, Sonalini Sapra, assistant professor in political science at Saint Mary’s, Karie Cross, a Ph.D student in political science and peace studies at Notre Dame and Pradeep Narayanan, head of research and consultancies at Praxis Institute for Participatory Practices in India. Chair of political science at Saint Mary’s Marc Belanger helped to facilitate the discussion.
Agnihotri began the panel discussion as the first presenter, focusing on the context surrounding India’s 2014 elections. She spoke of India as a multi-party parliamentary system, with 543 available seats in the congress. The significance of this election was due to the fact that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) won the majority, holding 282 seats, which has not happened since 1984, Agnihotri said.

The reason the BJP was able to get so many seats was due to “changes that arose between the 2009 election and the 2014 election that diminished public opinion of the government,” which “was due to a series of high-profile scandals,” she said.

“The public began to see the regime as corrupt, and what could have been defended by public policy; the government seemed to be completely mute,” Agnihotri said.

Agnihotri also brought up the reasons the leader of the BJP, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, was able to gain popularity. “He was a self-made man, who had very good public speaking skills … but under his leadership, the BJP was able to channel the sense of dissatisfaction, due to corruption, inflation and the increase of rapings, into political action,” she said.

The second panelist present - ed, Cross, changed the tone of the panel to focus on religion in India’s election, describing the significance of Hindu nationalism and how it has been utilized by politics in the past.

Cross discussed how there were two ideas about running the government in regards to Hindu nationalism.

“Hinduism is not just a religion, but it gives India its distinctive national identity … and that others do not have to convert but adapt and accept the sameness of the nation’s interest,” Cross said. “This was against the idea that all religions should have an equal pull in the state and focus on diversity and inclusion.

“There would be a problem because the minorities could lose their security to practice their own cultures” Cross said. “Incidents of religious tensions and riots in Gujarat that were possibly led by the new PM, Modi, reveal this loss of security. This was overshadowed by Modi’s focus on economic growth, which was largely accepted, and shows that the economy is being more valued than humanity.”

Cross also looked to different areas in India, such as the north-east, where there is an even larger diversity.

“Problems of sanseness prom- moted by Hindu Nationalism reveals that the conditions of people in the northeast will de - generate,” she said.

Narayanan, who joined the discussion via Skype, spoke of the different influences effecting participation and voters in the 2014 Indian election.

“What is shaping elections today is a bit of danger, which comes from the Americanization of the Indian election … the rise of the power of money and how it is able to influence how politics are brought out into the public domain and change the narration of debates,” Narayanan said. “My main point is that in 2009, the major threat was posed by the people, because big corpo - rate lobbies were in favor of the government.”

According to Narayanan, cor - ruption within the system stems from inequity, which is the main problem.

“Because corruption is being addressed without looking at equity technical solutions being made cannot fix the situation,” he said.

The final presenter, Sapra, de - scribed the environmental poli - cies of the government.

“I want to emphasize that it is not just the modern government that has not taken environmental policy seriously,” but previous gov - ernments as well did not fulfill any of their promises of environ - ment sustainability,” Sapra said.

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systematic way in which the Nazis occupied much of Europe during World War II.
“German strategy and war economy comes evermore linked to occupations,” he said. “That puts occupations in a dangerous place.” Although the presentation primarily focused on debunk - ing the so-called negative as - pects of occupation, Gumz was quick to agree with an audience member who mentioned more “positive” occupations, such as the United States’ occupation of post-WWII Germany.

“The only reason that this step can be taken is because the Germans themselves have instituted such transformative occupations during the war which opens up the intellectu - al space for the Allies to im - plement such occupations in post-war Germany and Japan,” Gumz said.

Gumz continued to say that each phase in the history of occupation is necessary for the next phase to begin, which cul - minated in the sort of transfor - mative occupations in Europe and Asia.

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Barreto described the eatery’s Latin American menu.
Venezuelan food is our spe - cialty … we also have some in - Spain,” Barreto said. Fatima Lopez, who works at Cinco International, said she recommended “basically every- thing” on the menu, but es - pecially the chicken alfredo.

Sophomore Bernadette Miramontes said she had not known about the event prior, but decided to wait in line for more than 30 minutes anyway. “I just saw the line and thought it must be good … I hope there’s vegan food because the dining hall doesn’t really have vegan food except on Indian night,” she said.

The panelists concluded that the event was a success and that it will continue in the future. Panelists mentioned the event being a popular one and that it was a great experience for students to try new foods.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Put things in perspective

Emily McConville
Photographer

The summer before my freshman year, a neighbor lent me a copy of the 1938 Dome yearbook. I spent a lunchtime looking at old pictures of the dining hall, the football team, the ads from long-gone South Bend businesses. I enjoyed looking at the idyllic representation of the University 75 years before I would set foot here.

When I got to the portrait section, though, I found myself smirking. Here was page after page of well-dressed, short-haired, clean-shaven young men. “Look at all those white middle-class Catholic boys,” scoffed white middle-class Catholic me. This place had a long way to go in 1938, and I was suddenly glad that I live in the 21st century. I felt very happy scenes of the 1938 Dome suddenly descend into war. The united States would invade Poland, and Europe would descend into war. The United States would remain nominally neutral for a couple of years, and then Pearl Harbor would jolt the country into overt action.

I imagined all those boys in helmets. The happy scenes of the 1938 Dome suddenly looked rather hollow. Many of the soon-to-be Notre Dame graduates would enlist or be drafted in the coming years. They’d be soldiers or navigators or engineers. Current students would join them, and their alma mater itself would fight to stay afloat. Some would come back from war ready to take full advantage of their education. Others would not.

As disadvantaged as I would have been in 1938 and as “superior” as I feel now, I would not and probably will not have to experience the overpowering sense of duty that compels a person to enlist in the military, the loss of control that accompanies a draft notice, the climate of fear that grips the U.S. during and after the war or the horrors of war itself. And in part, that’s thanks to the 1938 Notre Dame alumni.

Of course, the problems of different generations are not trade-offs: the 1938 Domes generally did not have to face genocidal dictators, racism, or sexism. Nor do I. They were perpetrators as well as victims of an unequal and unjust society. As am I. They were lucky in some ways and unlucky in others. So am I.

As the anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack approaches, though, I try to remind myself that every generation and every group of people has its problems, challenges and responsibilities. The lesson, then, is pretty standard and unremarkable: Understand history, people, privilege and perspective. Don’t judge based on appearance, be aware of difficult situations, try to right wrongs and correct injustices whenever they are found. And be thankful that in this generation, in this particular moment, we don’t have to do so against the backdrop of a world war.

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Government rocks

Stephen Raab
Let’s Talk Smart

In the summer of 2011, fresh out of Advanced Placement United States History, I took a road trip with my family to Mount Rushmore. Staring up at the 60 foot granite likenesses of Presidents past, I felt a deep sense of appreciation of what it meant to be an American. It’s an experience I will never forget.

On our way out of the Black Hills, my family made one last stop, as we’d decided beforehand that another South Dakota landmark was worthy of our consideration. This was the Crazy Horse Memorial — a towering statue of the famous Lakota chief on horseback, one hand extended to indicate the lands where his dead people lie buried. The Memorial was designed by former Rushmore workman Korczak Ziolkowski and was commissioned in 1947 by Lakota chief Henry Standing Bear, who wanted a counterpoint to the statues of white men carved into the sacred Black Hills. When the statue is complete, Crazy Horse’s head alone will be fifty percent larger than the heads of Washington and Jefferson; in total, the legendary warrior and his steed will be over 500 feet tall.

The key words here are “will be.” You see, Standing Bear and his supporters have refused to take the American government’s money for the project. Instead, the Memorial relies on museum admission fees and donations from sympathetic private citizens to bankroll construction. As a result, progress on the imposing statue has been glacial. Today, the only evidence of seventy-five years of labor is the rudiments of Crazy Horse’s face and a hole in the cliff face that will become his arm.

Now, I fully appreciate the Lakota’s reasons for refusing public financing of the Crazy Horse Memorial. They’ve been burned far too many times by the American government to trust Washington now. However, their project is nonetheless useful for illustrating the limits of the private sector, especially when contrasted with the publicly-funded Mount Rushmore. Construction of Mount Rushmore was completed in 14 years and cost less than one million dollars (about 15 million dollars today by the most pessimistic inflation rate). The Crazy Horse Memorial, on the other hand, was started during the Truman administration and has barely begun, yet has cost its backers millions and promises to cost millions more. In this case, private financing is an objectively less effective “modus operandi.”

Of course, the superiority of public financing isn’t limited to the construction of giant stone heroes. Consider one of human history’s most important engineering projects — the Panama Canal. This series of locks and passages cuts nearly eight thousand miles off the trip from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific and spare cargo ships the treacherous Cape Horn. Surveyors and statesmen alike had proposed the construction of a canal across the Panamanian isthmus as far back as the 16th century. So where were the privatizers then? Given the billions to be saved in shipping costs, shouldn’t they have formed one of their beloved “voluntary associations” to dig the Canal on their own?

Of course, we all know the real story. President Theodore Roosevelt determined that the Canal would be built by Army engineers. It was budgeted to be the most expensive construction project in the history of the United States, and the final design would end up even wider than initially specified. Yet the Canal was complete in only ten years, and it actually came in 23 million dollars under budget. It remains operational today, a proud testament to the utility of the public sector.

Don’t get me wrong — free enterprise has its place. The Soviet “Holodomor” and the Maoist Great Leap Forward both demonstrated the deadly results of placing whole industries (agriculture and manufacturing, respectively) in the hands of the State. But from education to incarceration, modern America seems struck by the opposite enthusiasm — a fetish for full-blown privatization. If a function of the government hasn’t already been privatized, there’s bound to be at least one lobby inside the Beltway babbling about “streamlining” and “efficiency.” Even our beloved public space programs, once the pinnacle of First World civilization, has been reduced to a shadow of its former glory. Meanwhile, private companies like Virgin Galactic struggle even to duplicate NASA’s achievements, as their entrepreneurial spacecraft crash and burn in the Mojave.

We would do well to remember that the private sector ought to be just that — a single sector of a diverse and flexible society. Government projects have also done great work, and I hope they will continue to do so. In the meantime, I look forward to taking my grandchildren to the Crazy Horse Memorial in 2100. Maybe they’ll have started on his neck by then.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON
Fr. Joe Corpora
Guest Columnist

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That was about two years ago. That set me on a journey to discover a shadow population at Notre Dame — our economically poor students. These students come from every culture and race. Notre Dame has been generous in awarding scholarships and financial assistance. There is, however, much more that has to be done once they enroll at Our Lady’s school.

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Lorde creates her own holy trinity

ERIN MCMOLLEFE
Scene Writer

Lorde just started a new holy trinity.
Lorde’s defense of Kim K and Taylor Swift on Twitter last week proved that you don’t need to be royally to have loyalty.

She replied to Kim K’s #BreakTheInternet tweet with the singular, ambiguous word “mom.” The comment left much to the imagination: Is this a revelation that Kim K is Lorde’s mother? Is Lorde worried that Kim K forgot she is already a mother with a kid who will one day find this magazine cover? Did she type her W’s upside down and actually mean to say “wow”? So many questions.

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How to leisure-read in college

By ALLIE TOLLAKSEN
Scene Editor

If I had a nickel for every time a friend said, “I wish I had time for leisure reading,” I’d be able to purchase every book on my Barnes and Noble wish list.

One of the biggest complaints I hear amongst students on campus is that they don’t have the opportunity to read for fun. It’s understandable: when assigned 100 pages of Plato in philosophy class it’s hard to set that down and reach for a novel before bed.

But I’m here to offer a solution for your leisure-reading needs: essays and short story collections.

So, this may oversimplify the problems of time and schoolwork, but since I’ve taken on reading collections of essays and short stories instead of novels or book-length nonfiction, I’ve hit my leisure reading slide.

There’s not only variety within a book, to accommodate your post-homework attention span, but you can rotate in and out these collections as you please (I currently have five books in my rotation). If you don’t like an author, you can finish the essay and set it aside guilt-free, or save the book for later without worrying about remembering each character’s name.

Of course, I’m not trying to knock the novel. All I’m saying is if you’re anything like me, saving “Moby Dick” and “Ulysses” for winter break and summer time may be your best bet. But if you’re pinning over your leisure-reading friend, here are a few newer releases for semester-friendly reading — because picking up a book and sitting down with a story at the end of the day is as good as we all remember.

“The Empathy Exams” – Leslie Jamison

Released earlier this year, Leslie Jamison’s “The Empathy Exams” jumped onto the New York Times bestseller list and quickly became one of my favorite books of all time. The collection of non-fiction essays range from journalistic pieces to deeply personal stories, all of which question the causes, sources and limitations of empathy in some way. The result is a book you can’t stop returning to and reaching for. With each book I read after Jamison’s, I find myself making connections to one or more of her essays, which examine everything from psychology to long-distance running to the work of Joan Didion.

“This Is Running For Your Life” – Michelle Orange

This collection of essays, released in 2013, is a powerhouse of cultural criticism from writer Michelle Orange. Whether the author is criticizing the “Manic Pixie Dream Girl” trope or exploring Beirut, the writing is intelligent, interesting and challenging (the good kind of challenging). Orange has an amazing ability to look around at the world today and write about it in a way that makes me think she has some superpower — cultural X-ray vision or clairvoyance — that she communicates with a strong and perceptive voice that will keep you thinking far after each essay is over.

“100 Apocalypses and Other Apocalypses” – Lucy Corin

Okay, so this one may be more of an exception, because Lucy Corin’s wonderful collection of short stories are tied together so perfectly, you may never want to set it down. In the fiction collection, the author explores the theme of “apocalypse,” the end of the world, on scales large and small. The result is a fascinating book of stories that take on surprising and unconventional forms, characters and disasters.

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WEEKEND AT A GLANCE

THURSDAY

What: U Can Paint 2, Cheese Tasting
When: 10:00 p.m.
Where: Legends
How Much: Free

Channel your inner Renoir or Matisse to strike up that “starving artist” persona and then indulge in some cheese. To extend your French-inspired night, head to DPAC beforehand at 7 p.m. to watch Marion Cotillard star in the French film “A Very Long Engagement.”

FRIDAY

What: “Jimmy P”
When: 7:00 p.m.
Where: DPAC
How Much: $4 for students

A WWII vet and Blackfoot Native American is labeled schizophrenic by a military hospital confused by his condition. A Native American researcher is called in and through vivid conversation, the two develop a complex friendship.

SATURDAY

What: Notre Dame vs Louisville
When: 3:30 p.m.
Where: You know where.
How Much: You already paid.

Get ready to brave the cold and watch the Irish play at home one last time this season. Make sure your layers outnumber the amount of points the Cardinals will score — by a lot. Go Irish, Beat Cardinals!

Weekly Watch is a series in which a scene writer picks a movie or show available on instant streaming service, then writes a review.


“One of the Greats” is available for instant streaming on Netflix. Check it out then check in for the review in Monday’s paper.

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Melvin Gordon: Heisman winner

Zach Klonsinski
Sports Writer

With two weeks left in the regular season, this year’s Heisman Trophy race is already over. Who could have clinched it this early you ask? James Winston, of undefeated Florida State? Eli, fat chance. Between his off-the-field issues and his (un)reliability, Winston is just not the guy. As for the others, they have not even looked good. Winston is not even a contender in my book and should not even make the end-of-the-season trip to New York for the ceremony. Crab legs can’t lift that heavy trophy anyways.

J.T. Barrett, of Ohio State? That’s a completely different story. The Buckeyes, with the in-state talent and the quality coaching they have had over the past few years, have a legitimate shot to make the final four.

Marcus Mariota, of Oregon? While I love the guy, he is just not the guy. The Pac-12’s utter lack of defense has made Mariota look like Heisman winner nearly every week.

Not to say Gordon is as good as Sanders — he’s not as shifty — but maybe more like a smaller, slightly slower Bo Jackson. I will say that of all the running backs Wisconsin has had over the past 10 years, none come even close to Gordon.

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NBA suspends Charlotte’s Jeffery Taylor for 24 games

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The NBA has suspended Charlotte Hornets forward Jeffery Taylor for 24 games without pay after he pleaded guilty to misdemeanor domestic violence assault and malicious destruction of hotel property last month.

Taylor will get credit for the 11 games he has missed, and will sit out an additional 13, is slightly more than one-fourth of the league’s 82-game schedule.

“The suspension is necessary to protect the interests of the NBA and the public’s confidence in our game,” NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said in a release Wednesday. “Mr. Taylor’s conduct violates applicable law and, in my opinion, does not conform to standards of moral conduct.”

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New Irish fencers get their chances

By JOSH DULANY
Sports Writer

Fresh off a stellar weekend in Columbus, Ohio, Notre Dame heads to State College, Pennsylvania, for this weekend’s Penn State Garret Open. The Irish women were undefeated at the Buckeyes Elite Cup on Sunday, and the men went 4-1, with their only loss coming to the Nittany Lions.

This weekend, Notre Dame will field a far different team of fencers. The Irish have six fencers headed to World Cup competitions in Slovakia and Germany, and Irish associate head coach Gia Kvaratskhelia said the squad will be shifted around to give some secondary members an opportunity to fence.

“The second squad will be going because some of the starters will be traveling for the World Cups and will not be available,” Kvaratskhelia said. “We’ll mix some of the starters and secondary players, but it will be a good experience for the kids to improve and sharpen their craft.”

The Penn State Garret Open is a two-day event held over Saturday and Sunday, and Kvaratskhelia said he is excited about how the competition allows for young fighters to gain experience.

“The format that Penn State gives us is great,” Kvaratskhelia said. “There will be a lot of bouts and a lot of experience for the kids that will challenge starters for spots throughout the year.”

In addition to current ACC fencer of the week, freshman Francesca Russo, Kvaratskhelia said he expects four other freshmen to step up and make immediate strides. He added he was most impressed with Notre Dame’s influx of talent in the sabre.

“Claudia Kulmacz is a very promising young athlete and we are counting on her to be one of the go-to girls,” Kvaratskhelia said. “On the boys side, we have a trifecta of freshman sabre boys, Jonathan Fitzgerald, Ian Jones and Jonah Shainberg, who are probably some of the top recruits in this recruiting class and will definitely push our upperclassmen.”

This is the last team event for the Irish before January, when they return for a series of dual meets against St. John’s, NYU and Northwestern. As the fall season winds down, Kvaratskhelia said the team is focused on staying highly motivated, continuing team chemistry and not allowing themselves to relax.

“Right now we are just focused on maintaining that competitive edge,” Kvaratskhelia said. “We want to make sure they are in the right mode as we go to break and just have that competitive nature.”

The action this weekend begins at 8 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday, and will take place in State College, Pennsylvania.

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from home, we're pretty familiar with it.”

Individually, Notre Dame wants to leave a mark. Sparks said. Junior Molly Seidel has already earned all-ACC and all-region honors with top-five finishes in both races, and is trying to become the first female All-American for the Irish since 2009.

“Molly’s in a position where she could finish in the top 40, which would make her an All-American,” Sparks said.

This would mark a significant jump from last season, when Seidel finished in 171st place overall.

On the men’s side, Michael Clevenger will compete as an individual for Notre Dame at the finals after finishing in sixth place at the regional meet. While the rest of the men’s team has used the past week to recover from the long season, Clevenger has continued to train hard alongside graduate student Martin Grady. Grady, who earned All-American honors last season for the Irish, has exhausted his eligibility for cross country, but is preparing for a final season on the track. Sparks said Grady has been a great help to Clevenger’s training.

“Michael is running for a top-40 spot as well,” Sparks said. “Martin has an understanding of what it takes to get in that top 40. So Michael knows he can train with Martin every day of the week and that gives him a lot of confidence, knowing what to expect and knowing we’ve run against the best teams out there.”

The Irish also have the added benefit of competing close to home, as Terre Haute is less than four hours away from Notre Dame’s campus. Over fall break, the Irish traveled to McCormick’s Creek State Park in Spencer, Indiana, which is thirty miles away from Wabash Valley Family Sports Center, the site of the championship. There, they had the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the course, Sparks said.

“We did a workout [there] on Oct. 21, just on the thought that ‘Hey, we hope to be back here in a month, so let’s get it out on this course and workout on it,” Sparks said. “We’ve raced there before and trained there before, so while it’s still a national course and away

**Hockey**

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Freshman center Connor Hurley won the Friday night tilt for the Irish with his goal 1:44 into overtime. Sophomore forward Vince Hinostroza and junior defender-eman Andy Ryan also tallied in the 3-2 victory. Irish junior forward Mario Lucia’s eight goals on the sea-son put him tied for eighth nationally — just one goal off of the seven players tied for the lead.

Notre Dame’s two goal-tenders split duty over the weekend — sophomore Chad Katushar picked up the win Friday night while freshman Cal Petersen took the loss Saturday.

Riverhawks sophomores forward Chris Maniccia and defender Dylan Zink share the team lead with 10 points each for the nation’s fifth-ranked team, while UMass-Lowell is led in goals by sophomore forward Joe Gambardella, who has five.

Junior Kevin Boyle and freshman Jeff Smith have split the goalkeeping duties for the Riverhawks so far this season — Boyle has a 2.69 GAA and a .913 save percentage in seven decisions while Smith has a 2.43 GAA and .908 save percentage, in four decisions. Boyle started and won Friday’s game against Penn State for the Riverhawks last weekend, while Smith started Saturday before being pulled early in the second pe-riod after allowing four goals on 14 shots.

UMass-Lowell took three games between the teams last year, sweeping the regular-season series 1-0 and 3-1 in a pair of home games at the Tsongas Center, before hammering Notre Dame, 4-0, in the Hockey East semifinals at TD Garden in Boston.

The Riverhawks have never visited Notre Dame and Compton Family Ice Arena for a hockey game — the three games played last year are the only three in series history.

Notre Dame currently sits sixth in the Hockey East stand-ings. However, the Irish have played fewer league games than all five teams above them.

A win tonight would move the Irish into fourth place in the conference.

The puck drops tonight between UMass-Lowell and Notre Dame at 7:35 p.m. at the Compton Family Ice Arena. The series will conclude Friday, with the puck drop also slated for 7:35 p.m.
Notre Dame junior guard Jewell Loyd dribbles the ball upcourt during Notre Dame's 92-32 exhibition victory over Ferris State at Purcell Pavilion on Nov. 5. Loyd had 11 rebounds and led all scorers with 28 points during the Irish victory over Michigan State on Wednesday.

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lot of mistakes.”

On the boards, the Spartans (1-1) edged the Irish 48-42, and grabbed 18 offensive rebounds, nearly six more than opponents collected against Notre Dame last season.

With players circulating in and out due to foul trouble, the Irish offense struggled to find its rhythm, shooting 37.7 percent from the field and 15.4 from behind the arc. The team also only collected eight assists on 26 field goals.

“We just didn’t play our game,” McGraw said. “We normally like to run, we have a lot of assists, and we only had eight assists … that’s not our game at all. We weren’t working the pass enough, we weren’t looking to get the ball in the hands of everyone. We weren’t working the pass course, down the stretch we probably needed her. She came through for us.”

Notre Dame’s attack in the first half, scoring 16 of the team’s 29 points to keep the Irish close, 30-28. None of her baskets were assisted. During the first half, the Spartans and the Irish traded the lead five times, with four ties.

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who ranks fourth in Notre Dame program history in career receiving yards and is tied for fourth in career touchdown receptions — he held both records himself in 1995 at the time of his graduation — runs Holtz’s foundation, Lou’s Lads. Mayes serves as the Executive Board Director of the foundation, which provides scholarship assistance to deserving Notre Dame students.

“I know I’m doing service in his good name,” Mayes said. “I knew that would always be sort of my way in life. I said [to Holtz], ‘You’re not getting rid of me now. I’m gonna call on you for advice, for ideas and for support.’ I’ve done that throughout my career, throughout my life, since I met the guy.

“It just proves that I made the right decision to come to Notre Dame, to be around great people who are doing great things.”

Lou’s Lads has its annual scholarship recognition dinner the weekend of the second Notre Dame home game each season. Throughout the year, players go through a scholarship process while working with the endowment group.

“A lot of the times it’s making sure we uphold Coach’s wishes and bringing back as many players as possible, so he can get a chance to see them and make fun of them,” Mayes said.

It was Holtz who instilled in Mayes the notion that football was a hiatus from life, not the other way around.

“You get to play football along the way, that’s just gravy on it,” Mayes said. “I never considered myself a football player.

Still, despite two trips to the Super Bowl in each of his first two seasons in the NFL, Mayes said he wouldn’t trade his college experience “for the world.”

Late-night midterm rallies on North Quad. Walks from Mass to the Stadium. “Shenanigans” in the locker room. His first trip out to USC as a freshman. Leaders on the 1992 squad like Rick Mirer, Demetrius DuBose, Devon McDonald and Irv Smith. They all stand out vividly to Mayes today.

He found some success as a freshman before his “coming out year” as a sophomore in 1993. Mayes helped power the 11-3 Irish with 24 catches for 512 yards. Mayes began breaking records as a junior, in a season he described as difficult after the loss of such a strong senior class from the previous campaign.

“To lose that leadership was very tough,” Mayes said. “I don’t think the class ahead of us was prepared to take on the leadership role. There was a lot of growth taking place.”

A junior leader — though not a captain — Mayes racked up 847 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns. Knowing he could leave for the NFL and expect to be a top-50 pick, Mayes still honored his four-year commitment to Holtz and returned to be a captain for his senior season.

“The only thing that would have been difficult would’ve been if I decided to go the other way,” Mays said. “It was easy for me to decide to come back.”

The Irish bounced back in 1995 with a 9-3 season, following the 6-5-1 mark in 1994. The Green Bay Packers drafted him in the second round of the 1996 draft, and Mayes immediately joined a strong squad in Wisconsin. The Packers advanced to two Super Bowls, winning the first and losing the second, with quarterback Brett Favre at the helm.

“It’ll spill your real quick,” Mayes said. “You take a lot for granted because you figure, ‘Hey, well, this is how it’s supposed to go.’ You go from Notre Dame and then on to Green Bay, win Super Bowls. But obviously that’s not reality. I know I’m privileged to do that from the jump, so I didn’t take that for granted.”

After three seasons in Green Bay, Mayes jumped to Seattle, where he embarked on his best professional season, nabbing 62 receptions for 829 yards and 10 scores in his first year with the Seahawks.

At one point in 1999, Mayes invested in a business plan created along with an old college roommate. The idea centered around a website for college students that would allow them to communicate with each other, barter and trade their books. Mayes sent the business plan to Seahawks owner Paul Allen, a co-founder of Microsoft. Mayes makes it clear it wasn’t a financial request.

“I thought, ‘Man, he’s my owner. Who better to help let me know if I got something here,’” Mayes said. “And I’ll never forget, I got a phone call from their office. [Seahawks head coach] Mike Holmgren had gotten wind of it. I ended up having to go into the office, and I was told very directly, ‘This is not what you’re here for. You’re here to play football.’”

Mayes still doesn’t know where the directive came from. Regardless, it opened his eyes.

“That was the sign for me to say I need to start making my exit strategy now,” Mayes said. “This is a wake-up call to let me know either what kind of object I am or how little my own ambitions are received in this industry. So let me start making my plans to take the next step and put a close on this hiatus of my life.”

Nothing became of Mayes’ website. “Facebook happened,” he laughed.

Following his retirement from the NFL, Mayes got into the production industry, utilizing his communications and film degree from Notre Dame.

Seven years ago, he moved into the protection world for high-profile individuals, groups and organizations. In the last two or three years, Mayes said, his company’s services have taken on lives of their own, and now they’ve branched out into protecting the information of their high-profile clientele.

They’ve also created a curriculum called Defensive Communications, which educates on appropriate online communications. Mayes’ group has a strong foothold in the sports and entertainment industry and works with various Division I athletic departments.

“I feel like I get more out of it than the kids do and the student-athletes and the coaches and the staff members,” Mayes said. “I know they get something out of it too so it’s a win-win situation. It’s not work.”

Mayes is married with a seven-year old son and lives in Los Angeles.

“I’m just thrilled to be in this space doing what I’m doing … working hard and still representing my university and serving them proud,” Mayes said.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Uranus will skyrocket over a financial or legal matter. Don’t try to be perfect, and you will draw interesting people into your orbit. A partnership will enable you to achieve results as much in half the time. Be cautious while traveling or dealing with authorities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do whatever you can to help others. Be a participant, and you will draw interesting people into your circle. A partnership will enable you to achieve results as much in half the time. Be cautious while traveling or dealing with authorities.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Follow through with your plans, but don’t do so in a haphazard manner. Keeping your secrets will help you avoid interference. Insecurity will plague a relationship with someone special.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Keep an open mind and refrain from getting into a mental war with someone because it will leave you feeling diminished. Make suggestions, but don’t take on responsibilities that don’t belong to you. If you feel uncertain, ask for help. Don’t sit by, expecting things to fall into place. Don’t let change daunt you.

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Mayes puts life before football

By MIKE MONACO
Senior Sports Writer

Lou Holtz has a story about everyone.

“Derrick Mayes should have been a kicker,” Holtz’s story often begins about the former record-setting Irish receiver. “I swear he should have been a kicker. You know why? Because he kicked everything around. What time does practice start? What time is practice over? What time is curfew? What were we eating for dinner?”

Mayes recalls the story-telling prowess of his former head coach, a man with whom he shares a special connection.

“He’s tongue-in-cheek about everything,” Mayes said recently about Holtz. “Anyone, you mention his name, he’s got a story about that person.”

Mayes’ story actually begins with Holtz, too. Growing up in Indianapolis, Mayes was heavily recruited. As his college decision neared, he narrowed down his schools to Ohio State, Michigan, Penn State, Miami and Notre Dame.

It was a family decision for the star pass-catcher, and it was Holtz who made a commitment to the Mayes clan. “He said, ‘Derrick, you gave me four years commitment at Notre Dame, I’ll be there for the next 40 years of your life,’” Mayes recalled Holtz saying during the recruiting process. “And I knew he meant it.”

“I knew that life was far more beyond football. So for me, making that decision to go there was easy because it meant that I had a support system in place for life.”

Fast-forward just over 20 years, and Holtz and Mayes remain connected. Mayes, see FOOTBALL PAGE 14

ND CROSS COUNTRY | NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

ND aims to improve at NCAAs

By SAMANTHA ZUBA
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All season long, Notre Dame’s women planned on returning to the NCAA championships in Terre Haute, Indiana, and erasing the memory of last year’s bottom-five performance. Irish coach Matt Sparks said. Now, the Irish have the chance to do just that Saturday.

“The team needs to improve on our finish from last year,” Sparks said. “They were 29th out of 31 teams, so we definitely want to improve on that and try to be in the top 25. That would keep us moving in the right direction. We want to keep moving [up], year after year.”

The Irish women earned a return to the championship last Friday at the Great Lakes regional race, where they finished in sixth place. The

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Men’s basketball | ND 104, COPPIN STATE 67

Auguste, Beachem power offense as Irish roll

By MIKE MONACO
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Demetrius Jackson crouched low, loaded up and skied for a defensive rebound. He screamed, “Mine!” and outleaped his 6-foot-10 teammate Zach Auguste in the opening minutes Wednesday night. It was the most opposition the Irish would face. Jackson screeched down the court and spun in a finger roll as part of Notre Dame’s scorching start in a 104-67 bulldozing of Coppin State on Wednesday night at Purcell Pavilion.

“I love the fact that we got off to a really good start and were really ready to play,” Irish head coach Mike Brey said. “Tonight afforded us to play some guys off the bench longer minutes and hopefully get them even more familiar.”

Five Irish players scored in double figures, with junior forward Zach Auguste pouring in 21 points on perfect nine-of-nine shooting and sophomore forward V.J. Beachem adding a career-high 19 as Notre Dame (3-0) took down the Eagles (0-3). The Irish led by at least 30 points for the final 10:42 after opening up with a 30-point halftime advantage. Notre Dame’s 104 points were its most since dropping 104 in the five-overtime victory over Louisville on Feb. 9, 2013. The Irish shot 65.6 percent from the floor.

Beachem led the Irish bench, as Notre Dame had eight players log at least 18 minutes. “We know coming off the bench we have to be ready to play and not have any drop-off in energy or play,” Beachem said. “The starters see M BRIALL PAGE 13

ND WOMEN’S BASKETBALL | ND 71, MICHIGAN STATE 63

Loyd leads Irish to victory

By GREG HADLEY
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No. 3 Notre Dame weathered its first test of the young season Wednesday night, holding on to beat No. 15 Michigan State, 71-63, in East Lansing, Michigan.

The victory marked the 27th straight win on the road for the Irish (2-0), but it did not come easily, as the two teams remained within five points of each other for most of the night. It was a learning experience for a young team, still in need of developing. Irish coach Muffet McGraw said.

“I thought we handled [the environment] very well,” McGraw said. “To beat a ranked team on the road, with this team, we had to gut it out.”

Foul trouble early in the first half hampered the Irish offense, as four starters — junior guard Jewell Loyd, sophomore forward Taya Reimer, sophomore guard Lindsay Allen and freshman forward Brianna Turner — all collected two fouls or more. Three players were whistled four times and the Irish were forced to go deep into their rotation, playing nine players for 10 or more minutes.

“We got into such serious foul trouble,” McGraw said. “We went very deep on the bench, playing with a lot of different combinations that we haven’t really seen in practice enough. … Discipline is the biggest problem. We’re young. We made some bad plays. We need to be in better position defensively. We need to rotation better. We need to be in position to take charges and need to box out. There were a

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Hockey

ND to host top-five foe

Observer Staff Report

After a weekend split with Merrimack, Notre Dame continues Hockey East play tonight when it hosts No. 5 UMass-Lowell at Compton Family Ice Arena.

The Riverhawks (7-2-2, 4-0-1 Hockey East) are the only team still unbeaten in conference play and split a series with non-conference foe Penn State last weekend. The Irish (6-5-1, 2-1-1) fell from the ranks of the conference’s unbeaten Saturday, with a 4-1 loss to Merrimack in North Andover, Massachusetts.

Senior defenseman Robbie Russo — who leads all defensemen nationwide with five goals and is second at his position in the country with 12 points — tallied Notre Dame’s lone goal in the game.

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